



The Magic of Christmas in Limerick!

Christmas in O'Connell Street

O'Connell Street – full of history

O'CONNELL Street is Limerick city's shopping heart flowing in and out of the centre's shopping districts.

Being the main thoroughfare for city business and shopping, the street is famous for so many historical reasons with many recognising the grand wide street as the location of 'Penny's Clock' which peers out over the entire stretch of the street, showing time to every tourist, shopper and business.

There is a fantastic mix of bars, jewellery stores, restaurants and educational facilities as well as arts and culture. O'Connell Street is one hot spot where one will find many of the large department stores seen in a modern European city where shoppers are looking for the best in clothing, cosmetics and bargains galore.

O'Connell Street also provides one with a range of stores selling music, books, electrical appliances, mixed in with a great traditional selection of eateries catering for every taste.

The city's heart beats from within O'Connell Street and the city's vibrant business work ethic feeds off into a host of other streets that create a bustling centre for Limerick.

On March 17 every year, thousands of people descend on O'Connell Street for St Patrick's Day where an explosion of colour and sound fill the city. Apart from the obvi-

ous, O'Connell Street is largely unchanged from when it was first constructed. It has mixed its historical elegance of Georgian buildings and wide footpaths with modern sleek businesses and services.

What has changed on Limerick's largest street are the names above the shops and boutiques and restaurants, although families have run some businesses for many generations. The street is also famous for its name, having previously been known as George's Street, it changed to the name it has been known for the past 93 years, in memory one of Limerick's most historic heroes ... Daniel O'Connell.

Known as 'The Liberator' O'Connell was born in 1775. He died in 1847, but not before he became the first Catholic to sit in the British House of Commons in 1829, after King George IV, following the Reformation, had signed the Catholic Emancipation Bill.

O'Connell led the campaign for Catholic status among Britain's political classes however, the Daniel O'Connell Monument in the Crescent was unveiled in 1857, some 60 years before the change of the street name. The monument to O'Connell still stands tall and has become one of Limerick's main images when the city is promoted in tourism campaigns.



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wishing you and yours a very

Merry Christmas



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