



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's, and Ss John & Ailbe: 17th April 2022
The First Sunday of Easter | Easter Day

COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect for the week: Almighty God, through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ you have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Old Testament: Isaiah 65: 17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord – and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent – its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

The Easter Anthems

Christ our passover is sacrificed for us, therefore let us keep the feast,
Not with the old leaven nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of
sincerity and truth.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once; but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin; but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Christ is risen from the dead: and become the first-fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen

Acts 10: 34-43

Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ – he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee

after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.’

Gospel: St John 20: 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, ‘They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.’ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping?’ She said to them, ‘They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.’ When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?’ Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, ‘Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.’ Jesus said to her, ‘Mary!’ She turned and said to him in Hebrew, ‘Rabbouni!’ (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, ‘Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, “I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.”’ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, ‘I have seen the Lord’; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Post-Communion Prayer: Living God, for our redemption you gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection you have delivered us from the power of our enemy. Grant us so to die daily unto sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hymns

Saint Michael’s	271	255	283	288
Saint Mary’s	271	252	274	277

Service Notes

- Services will be recorded and may be viewed online on: www.churchservices.tv and the Cathedral website (www.saintmaryscathedral.ie) within the 90 days following the service. After that time recordings will be destroyed however exceptions may apply and recordings could last longer if the Cathedral required it. Occasional services may be recorded and will be advertised on both websites www.churchservices.tv and www.saintmaryscathedral.ie and/or other communication channels of the Cathedral). If you would like further information on a particular event, please contact the Cathedral office.
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Services & Events:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday 17 th	9.30	Holy Communion	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
<i>Easter I</i>	10.00	Holy Communion	Saint Michael's
<i>Easter Day</i>	11.15	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
Monday 18 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Tuesday 19 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Wednesday 20 th	9.00	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Thursday 21 st	10.30	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
Friday 22 nd	9.00	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday 23 rd	9.00	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday 24 th	10.00	Holy Communion	Saint Michael's
<i>Easter II</i>	11.00	Morning Prayer	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	11.15	Matins	The Cathedral

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

From the Dean: The common cup is an important part of our worship in the Church of Ireland. As you are aware we have not been able to share in this since March 2020. I'm delighted to communicate with you the Pastoral letter from the House of Bishops which provides guidance on its reintroduction. In Limerick City Parish, I intend the common cup to be reintroduced on Easter Day – which I believe will be an added cause for joy. I would remind people that there is no obligation on anyone to receive from the cup and I shall explain more about this at our services in the lead up to Easter.

A Happy Easter to all!

The Evergreens: The planning committee met during the week and are planning forthcoming activities. If you are interested in being added to the subscribers list, please contact Noreen Johnston on 0857335855.

A prayer for the situation in Ukraine: O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world: We commend to your merciful care the people and government of Ukraine that, being guided by your providence, they may dwell secure in your peace. Grant to their leaders and all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve their people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*****Update***** : During the week the parish transferred €2,000 to the Bishops' Appeal (from collections in recent weeks). Sincere thanks to all those who have supported this appeal.

Bishop's Enthronement: This significant event will be held in the Cathedral on Saturday 7th May at 3pm. All are welcome to attend. *****Help!***** The Dean is looking for helpers to assist on the day of the Bishop's Enthronement. Please speak with him for more information.

Cathedral Grounds Clean-up: Will be held on Saturday 30th April from 10am. All help welcome. Refreshments will be supplied!

Memorial Service: A memorial service for the late Rev'd Canon Alan Shaw will be held on Friday 22nd April at 3.00 pm in Saint Patrick's Church, Kenmare. All are welcome to attend.

Wanted: House to Rent for 2 adults and one child. For more information contact Irina Dernova.

Wanted: The Dean is looking for a donor for two Altar crosses for the Cathedral. This gift may be suitable as gift offering and/or gift in memory of a loved one. Please speak with him for more information.

Cathedral Refreshments *(with thanks to those on duty)*

17th April	Keith O'Neil	24th April	Karen Wilson + Catherine Smith
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Livestreaming: Log onto www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys Services will be on air at 11.15 a.m. on Sundays and 10.30 a.m. on Thursdays.

Remembrance Book: Please remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time among them: Hans Gier, Edith Sunday, Thomas Walsh, Georg, Franke, Kurt Franke, Barbara Nevin, William Shire, Daisy Boyle, Denis Gale and Beryl Pragnell.

Cycle of Prayer: *Church of Ireland:* the Diocese of Down & Dromore and Bishop David McClay. *Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* the Church of Pakistan (United) & the Peace of Jerusalem. *Diocese:* for the Rt Revd Michael Burrows, Bishop-elect of our united dioceses of Tuam, Limerick & Killaloe; for Limerick City Parish, Dean Niall Sloane and the Revd Dr Leonard Madden, and for the congregations of Saint Mary's Cathedral; Saint Michael's, Pery Sq., and Ss John & Ailbe, Abington. We pray for peace in Ukraine, and sanctuary for refugees.

Prayers for the Sick: Your prayers are asked for the sick in our community, especially, Rose McNamara; Andrew Prior; Dean Sandra Pragnell; Harold Armstrong; Sylvia Martin; Emily; Moira Lowry; Mac; Mike; Betty; Alan Kennedy; Jackie Grace; Zandra; Richard Brickenden; Kathleen Quinn; Madison Stanley; Stephen Richards; Kathleen Leddin; Marie O'Connor; Sinead; Martha McDermott; John Copley; Ava Colohan; Aileen Henderson, and Irene Hobbs.

NOTE ABOUT PRAYER LIST: If you wish to place a name on the list, please email your prayer request to limerickcityparishnews@gmail.com. Under GDPR regulations please ensure you have the consent of the named person(s) before submitting a name. For confidentiality reasons the clergy would appreciate NOT being asked on the status of people. Whilst we appreciate people are showing care and concern, it can compromise the relationship between pastor and parishioner. Thank you.

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