



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

*Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: September 20<sup>th</sup> 2020 ~ Trinity XV (Proper 20)*

### Services:

Date	Time	Venue	Service
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Saint Michael's	Morning Prayer
	11.00	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington	Morning Prayer
	11.15	Saint Mary's Cathedral	Holy Communion
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Saint Michael's	Morning Prayer
	11.00	Saint John's, Abington	Morning Prayer
	11.15	Saint Mary's Cathedral	Holy Communion

### COLLECTS AND READINGS

**The Collect:** God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: Grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel; that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Jonah 3:10-4:11:** When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the Lord and said, 'O Lord! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the Lord said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The Lord God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.' But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the Lord said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

### Psalm 145: 1-8

I will exalt you, O God my King, ◆ and bless your name for ever and ever.  
Every day will I bless you ◆ and praise your name for ever and ever.

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; ♦ his greatness is beyond all searching out.

One generation shall praise your works to another ♦ and declare your mighty acts.

They shall speak of the majesty of your glory, ♦ and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

They shall speak of the might of your marvellous acts, ♦ and I will also tell of your greatness.

They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness ♦ and joyfully sing of your righteousness.

The Lord is gracious and merciful, ♦ long-suffering and of great goodness.

**Philippians 1: 21-30:** For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

**Matthew 20: 1-16:** 'For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, "You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right." So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, "Why are you standing here idle all day?" They said to him, "Because no one has hired us." He said to them, "You also go into the vineyard." When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, "Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first." When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, "These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat." But he replied to one of them, "Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?" So the last will be first, and the first will be last.'

**Post Communion Prayer:** Eternal God, we have received these tokens of your promise. May we who have been nourished with holy things live as faithful heirs of your promised kingdom. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Prayers about the Coronavirus outbreak:** Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

## Service Notes

- Services will be recorded and may be viewed online on: [www.churchservices.tv](http://www.churchservices.tv) and the Cathedral website ([www.saintmaryscathedral.ie](http://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](http://www.churchservices.tv) and [www.saintmaryscathedral.ie](http://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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## SAINT MICHAEL'S CHURCH – ORDER OF SERVICE (MP2)

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## THIS WEEKS NOTICES

**Pastoral Visiting:** As you will be aware the current pandemic has had a major impact on a numerous aspects of daily life. For the clergy, pastoral visiting has been a challenge during the last few months. However, with the ease in restrictions and the addition of the Vicar to the Clergy Team we hope to be in a position to resume pastoral visiting by October, albeit in a different format. The clergy intend to call on households and remain outside for the duration of the visit (please do not be offended if we do not enter your house as we want to protect you and us!) and will keep visits to a maximum length of 15mins whilst maintaining social distancing. Visits will not be arranged formally, so if you are not in when we call, we will leave a card with you - please feel free to follow us up with a phone call/email if you would like to talk to us. If for any reason you would prefer the clergy not to call with you, please let us know. Thank you for your understanding.

**Welcome:** To the Precentor (Canon Comerford) who will be in residence in the Cathedral today. The Dean will be leading services in Askeaton and Tarbert.

**Sympathy:** We offer our condolences to Stephen Holmes (one of our Bell Ringers) and his family on the death of his mother in law.

**RTÉ:** There will broadcast service from the Cathedral next Sunday (27<sup>th</sup> September) at 2.15pm on the RTÉ News Channel.

**Parish Finances During COVID-19 Outbreak:** Dear Parishioner, We are all too conscious of the financial strains on so many institutions and individuals at this time and it was after careful consideration that we wrote you earlier in the Summer. We are delighted to report that the response to that appeal has been extremely encouraging and supportive and we would like to take this opportunity (on behalf of the Select Vestry) to thank you most sincerely for your generosity. We do hope you all continue to remain safe and well. With kind regards,

*Keith Morrow, Chair of the Parish Finance Committee (on behalf of the parish treasurers)*

**Milford Hospice Coffee Morning:** Milford Hospice like so many other charities are going through difficult times. The Annual Coffee morning is due to take place on Thursday 25th of September but due to Covid 19 these are severely restricted. As many of you are aware I normally run a coffee morning in aid of Milford but it is not possible this year. Instead I am taking donations and selling ground coffee/marmalade/chutney. If you would like to make a donation or purchase please contact Tracey Lyttle on 086-6486197. Coffee €4 per pack or 3 packs for €10; Marmalade/Chutney €3.50 each of 3 for €10.

**Livestreaming:** Log onto [www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys](http://www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys) Services will be on air at 11.15am on Sundays and 10.30am on Thursdays.

**Remembrance Book:** Please remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time among them: Jonathon Shier, Trevor Shier, Christopher King and George Martin

**Cycle of Prayer:** *Church of Ireland:* The Diocese of Meath & Kildare and Bishop Pat Storey. *Anglican Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Most Revd Justin Badi Arama, Bishop of Juba & Archbishop of the Province. *Diocese:* The Nenagh Union of parishes, the Very Rev'd Rod Smyth, the Rev'd Paul Fitzpatrick, and the congregations of St Mary's Nenagh, and Killodiernan and Templederry churches.

**Prayers for the Sick:** Your prayers are asked for the sick in our community, especially, Rose McNamara, Andrew Prior, Anne Greenaway, Dean Sandra Pragnell, Harold Armstrong, Lorraine McCarthy, John Nix, Archie Brown, Terry Cusack, Sylvia Martin, Norman Lynas, Joe Boyle, Pat Fogarty and John Walsh.

**NOTE ABOUT PRAYER LIST:** *If you wish to place a name on the list, please email your prayer request to [limerickcityparishnews@gmail.com](mailto: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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