



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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*Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: 13<sup>th</sup> June 2021 ~ Trinity 2, Proper 6*

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### Services:

Date	Time	Venue	Service
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Saint Michael's	Holy Communion
<i>Trinity II</i>	11.00	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington	Morning Prayer
	11.15	Saint Mary's Cathedral	Morning Prayer
Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Saint Michael's	Morning Prayer
<i>Trinity III</i>	11.15	Saint Mary's Cathedral	Holy Communion
	12.00	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington	Holy Communion

### COLLECTS AND READINGS

**Collect for the week:** Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

### Old Testament: Ezekiel 17: 22-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

### Psalm 92: 1-4, 12-15

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night, to the music of the lute and the harp, to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O Lord, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God.

In old age they still produce fruit; they are always green and full of sap, showing that the Lord is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

## **Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5: 6-10, 11-13, 14-17**

So we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord— for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. Therefore, knowing the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade others; but we ourselves are well known to God, and I hope that we are also well known to your consciences. We are not commending ourselves to you again, but giving you an opportunity to boast about us, so that you may be able to answer those who boast in outward appearance and not in the heart. For if we are beside ourselves, it is for God; if we are in our right mind, it is for you. For the love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

## **New Testament/Gospel: St Mark 4: 26-34**

He also said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' He also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

**Post Communion Prayer:** Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son. Sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ 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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## THIS WEEKS NOTICES

**From the Clergy:** As we emerge slowly from a long period of isolation and semi-isolation, the clergy are very keen to resume household visits. This has been made possible, to some degree, by the fact that we both have had all our vaccinations against Covid 19.

We are therefore hoping to complete a visitation of the parish by next September. However, in the interest of everyone's safety, we need to follow some guidelines.

For the moment, our visits must be brief and confined to the doorstep. Please don't be offended that we are unable to enter your home or share refreshments with you – the important thing for us is to actually get to see you and to enjoy a quiet moment with you.

It is not possible to set out a timetable for the visitation. We will leave a card if you're not at home. Please know that we are thinking of you and do not hesitate to contact us if we can help you in any way.

*The Dean & Vicar*

**Congratulations:** To Simon Brickenden and Sorcha Carey on their recent engagement. Every blessing on them as they prepare for marriage.

**Sympathy:** Our sympathy and prayers to Hugh and Mary Milne on the recent death of Hugh's brother-in-law, Jerry.

**Prayers:** Our thoughts and prayers are with all those students in the midst of Leaving Certificate Exams.

### **Wanted:**

- A laptop (for playing music in Abington Church during services)
- A paper shredder (for use in the Parish office)

Please contact the Dean for more information.

**The Cathedral Graveyard:** We are fortunate to have such a beautiful and peaceful space right in the middle of the city. In recent times the grounds have been enhanced by the inclusion of a wild-flower garden, new seating and planting. If you would like to make a donation towards the upkeep of the grounds, please do so through the Cathedral office or contact Lindsay Boyle or the Dean.

**Birdwatch Ireland:** Will present an on-line talk including some background information on the Swift Nesting project which both the Cathedral and Saint Michael's have participated in. The talk will take place this Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 19.30. For the Zoom link, please email [limerickcityparishnews@gmail.com](mailto:limerickcityparishnews@gmail.com)

**Church of Ireland Mental Health Project:** The project team would like to encourage you to complete a survey, which is available here <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/COIParishioner> Each survey takes around 10-15 minutes to complete.

We are also looking for both Clergy and Lay members to volunteer to participate in a short focus group on the topic. If you might be interested in participating in one of these, please contact by email [rebekah.fozzard@rcbdub.org](mailto:rebekah.fozzard@rcbdub.org) or via the project at: [mhp@rcbdub.org](mailto:mhp@rcbdub.org)

Further information about the project, including an overview from Bishop Pat Storey, is available here: [www.mindmatters.ireland.anglican.org](http://www.mindmatters.ireland.anglican.org)

**Cathedral Light Beckons:** As readers may be aware a light has been permanently erected in the Cathedral which shines out on the Shannon. The 'Light of Hope' is intended to be a constant reminder that no matter where or how you are somebody cares. Local writer, Maureen Sparling, has written a poem to commemorate the installation.

Sailing up the lordly Shannon at eve,  
A 'traveller' weary and cold,  
For, he had somehow lost his way,  
As, for ten hours he had rowed.

A shrill and eerie darkness loomed,  
O'er a city in culture well versed,  
But, where now that warm welcome spok  
en of,  
The one so well rehearsed.

A sudden fright betook him then,  
For, a fierce storm seemed to brew,  
Abandoning his gear and oars,  
Intense fear then madly grew.

Trudging up that ancient Curraghgour 'slip'  
Not knowing where next to turn,  
Oh! How that hour of loneliness  
In his torn heart did burn.

A pining deep for his home afar,  
Crept like ivy lush and green,  
An impetuous angry incoming tide  
The like of which never was seen.

Lo! A tiny speck of light appears  
From out a window pane,  
The stricken sailor no longer lost,  
As peace of mind returns again.

**Havergal and Roxboro Schools' Charity & Leamy Board of Education:** These funds which help with education grants are now open for applications. For more information please contact the Dean.

**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.

**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.

**Remembrance Book:** Please remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time among them: May Cullen, Gosta Melin, George Bannister, Sydney Howes, Anne Roberts and Det. Garda Colm Horkan.

**Cycle of Prayer:** *Church of Ireland:* Church of Ireland: The Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh and Bishop Ferran Glenfield. *Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion). *Diocese:* The Tubbercurry Group of parishes in the Diocese of Achonry, Priest-in-charge Rev Peter Norman, and the congregations of St Crumnathy's Cathedral Achonry, St George Tubbercurry and Killoran (Rathbarron).

**Prayers for the Sick:** Your prayers are asked for the sick in our community, especially, Rose McNamara, Andrew Prior, Dean Sandra Pragnell, Harold Armstrong, Lorraine McCarthy, John Nix, Archie Brown, Sylvia Martin, Emily, Moira Lowry, Mac, Mike, Betty, Alan Kennedy, Mary Garvin and Victor Barley.

**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.*

# SAINT MARY'S CATHEDRAL – MORNING PRAYER

## The Gathering of God's People

*Stand*

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*The minister may introduce the service in these or other suitable words:*

Beloved in Christ, we come together to offer to Almighty God our worship and praise and thanksgiving, to confess our sins and to receive God's forgiveness, to hear his holy word proclaimed, to bring before him our needs and the needs of the world, and to pray that in the power of his Spirit we may serve him and know the greatness of his love. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

*Kneel. Silence is kept.*

**Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour in thought and word and deed, through negligence, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault; by what we have done and by what we have failed to do. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name. Amen.**

*The priest pronounces the absolution.*

## Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

*Stand*

○ Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth will proclaim your praise.**

○ God, make speed to save us.

**○ Lord, make haste to help us.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Praise the Lord.

**The Lord's name be praised.**

## FIRST CANTICLE: JUBILATE Psalm 100

1 ○ shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth; serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.

2 Know that the Lord he is God; it is he who has made us and we are his we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 Come into his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise; give thanks to him and bless his holy name.

4 For the Lord is good his loving mercy is for ever, his faithfulness through out all generations.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be for ever. Amen.

*For Readings and Psalm please see page 1*

## **SECOND CANTICLE: TE DEUM Part I**

- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as the Lord; all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.  
2 To you all angels, all the powers of heaven, the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless  
praise:  
3 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
4 The glorious company of apostles praise you; the noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
5 The white-robed army of martyrs praise you; throughout the world, the holy Church acclaim you:  
6 Father, of majesty unbounded, your true and only Son, worthy of all praise, the Holy  
Spirit, advocate and guide.

**Music**

**The Sermon**

**Music**

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

**Music**

**The Prayers of the People**

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

*Kneel*

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy.  
**Christ, have mercy.**  
Lord, have mercy.

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

*The versicles and responses may be said.*

Show us your mercy, O Lord,  
**and grant us your salvation.**

O Lord, guide and defend our rulers  
**and grant our government wisdom.**

Let your ministers be clothed with righteousness  
**and let your servants shout for joy.**

O Lord, save your people  
**and bless those whom you have chosen.**

Give peace in our time, O Lord,  
**and let your glory be over all the earth.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us  
**and renew us by your Holy Spirit.**

## **THE COLLECTS**

*The Collect of the Day may be found on page 1*

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everliving God, we give you thanks for bringing us safely to this day: Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger, and in all things guide us to know and do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Go before us, Lord, in all our doings, with your most gracious favour, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy attain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **The Prayers**

**The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.**

## **The Blessing**

## **Music**

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