



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: 7th November 2021 ~ Trinity 23 (Proper 27)

COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect for the week: Almighty Father, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the king of all: Govern the hearts and minds of those in authority, and bring the families of the nations, divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin, to be subject to his just and gentle rule; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Old Testament: 1 Kings 17:8-16

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 'Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.' So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, 'Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.' As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, 'Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.' But she said, 'As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.' Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.' She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Psalm 146

Alleluia. Praise the Lord, O my soul: while I live will I praise the Lord; ♦ as long as I have any being, I will sing praises to my God.

Put not your trust in princes, nor in any human power, ♦ for there is no help in them.

When their breath goes forth, they return to the earth; ♦ on that day all their thoughts perish.

Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their help, ♦ whose hope is in the Lord their God;

Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them; ♦ who keeps his promise for ever;

Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong ♦ and bread to those who hunger.

The Lord looses those that are bound; ♦ the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; ♦ the Lord loves the righteous;

The Lord watches over the stranger in the land; he upholds the orphan and widow; ♦ but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.

The Lord shall reign for ever, ♦ your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia.

Epistle: Hebrews 9: 24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgement, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

New Testament/Gospel: St Mark 12: 38-44

As he taught, he said, 'Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the market-places, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honour at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.' He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

Post Communion Prayer: God of peace, whose Son Jesus Christ proclaimed the kingdom and restored the broken to wholeness of life: Look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by your healing power make whole both people and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

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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THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

Services & Events:

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday 7 th	10.00	Saint Michael's	Morning Prayer
Trinity 23	11.15	Saint Mary's Cathedral	Holy Communion
		Ss John & Ailbe, Abington	No Service
Monday 8 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	20.00	Saint Michael's Committee	Zoom
Tuesday 9 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Wednesday 10 th	09.00	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Thursday 11 th	10.30	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
Friday 12 th	09.00	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday 13 th	09.00	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday 14 th	10.00	Saint Michael's	Holy Communion
Trinity 24	11.00	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington	Morning Prayer
	11.15	Saint Mary's Cathedral	Morning Prayer

November Lunchtime concerts: please see attached poster

Wanted for the Cathedral: The Dean is looking for the following items for the Cathedral – can you help?

- An electric cash register (new or second hand)
- 2 matching (43inch) TV screens (preferably new)
- 1 x 3 pin hand held microphone (new or second hand)
- A new (small) dishwasher for the Cathedral

Saint Michael's Committee Meeting: A zoom meeting will be held on Monday 8th November at 8pm. Please email limerickcityparishnews@gmail.com for the link.

Gazette launches Christmas Cover Competition: The Competition is open to all age groups. The only requirement is to take a photograph that would be appropriate for our December cover, along the theme of "All is Calm". The winner's photography will appear on the Christmas cover of the Church of Ireland Gazette and they will also receive a prize of €100/£90 as well as €100/£90 for their parish. The runner-up will receive €50/£45. We hope to publish a selection of our favourite photographs in the December issue. All entries must be received by 12 noon on Friday, 19th November.

How to enter: Send your photograph (portrait orientation) to christmascovergazette@gmail.com with

1. Your name, 2. Your age (if under 18), 3. Name of your parish, 4. Contact email (for parent/guardian if under 18)

Technical information: Format: Entries should be high quality jpeg files. File size: Each image should ideally be 1MB or larger. If you are sending from a smartphone, please be sure to select "large size" or "original size" if prompted.

Rules:

1. Only one entry per person.
2. Entries for children must be submitted by a parent or guardian, or adult over the age of 18, on the child's behalf.
3. All entries must include a valid email address
4. All entries must be sent via the electronic form provided, before 12 noon on 19th November 2021.
5. The judge's decision is final and binding in all matters, and no correspondence will be entered into.
6. By entering the competition and submitting a photograph, you hereby grant the Church of Ireland Gazette a licence to freely use that photograph for the purpose of promoting the competition within the magazine and online, in print and electronic formats.

One Million Stars: A challenge for all of us..... More about this in churches on Sunday.

Cathedral Community Awards Scheme: The Awards Scheme hopes to highlight the 'unsung heroes' of Limerick and will awarded in February of each year. Nomination forms are available from the Cathedral Office until the closing date of 30th November 2021.

The Commission on Ministry's Advent Retreat: This year entitled "One Step Too Far Away – One Breath Too Near" is open to all and is free of charge. It takes place on Zoom on the morning of 20 November and will be led by Rev Ruth Patterson, Director of Restoration Ministries, a non-denominational, Christian organisation committed to peace and reconciliation. The retreat provides a space for quiet reflection and rest at a busy and stressful time of year. For further information and bookings, please contact Dr Catherine Smith at catherine.smith@rcbdub.org and please share the information with anyone who might be interested: <https://www.ireland.anglican.org/news/10924/one-step-too-far-away>

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: Mary Copley, Frank Penney, Rahama Nabiwemba, Loise Baker, Shane Geoghan, Allan Williamson, Jim O'Mara, Violet Shier, Paddy Egan, Collette Pratt and Donie Pollard.

Cycle of Prayer: *Church of Ireland:* The Diocese of Cork, Cloyne & Ross and Bishop Paul Colton. *Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. *Diocese:* Those within our dioceses that have been bereaved in the last year, that the Lord may comfort them.

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, Jackie Grace, Zandra, Richard Brickenden, Kathleen Quinn, Brian Molloy, Miguel Faro and Madison Stanley.

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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