



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's, and Ss John & Ailbe: 5th June 2022 The Day of Pentecost / Whit Sunday

COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect for the week: Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost sent your Holy Spirit to the apostles with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame, filling them with joy and boldness to preach the gospel: By the power of the same Spirit strengthen us to witness to your truth and to draw everyone to the fire of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Old Testament: Genesis I I:1-9: Now the whole earth had one language and the same words. And as they migrated from the east, they came upon a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. And they said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks, and burn them thoroughly.' And they had brick for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, 'Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.' The Lord came down to see the city and the tower, which mortals had built. And the Lord said, 'Look, they are one people, and they have all one language; and this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them. Come, let us go down, and confuse their language there, so that they will not understand one another's speech.' So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they left off building the city. Therefore it was called Babel, because there the Lord confused the language of all the earth; and from there the Lord scattered them abroad over the face of all the earth.

Psalm 104: 26-36, 37b

O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

There is the sea, spread far and wide, \blacklozenge and there move creatures beyond number, both small and great.

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan \blacklozenge which you have made to play in the deep.

All of these look to you \blacklozenge to give them their food in due season.

When you give it them, they gather it; \blacklozenge you open your hand and they are filled with good.

When you hide your face they are troubled; \blacklozenge when you take away their breath, they die and return again to the dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they are created, \blacklozenge and you renew the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \blacklozenge may the Lord rejoice in his works;

- He looks on the earth and it trembles; \blacklozenge he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will make music to my God while I have my being. So shall my song please him I while I rejoice in the Lord.

Let sinners be consumed out of the earth and the wicked be no more. ♦ Bless the Lord, O my soul. Alleluia.

Acts 2:1-21: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were

devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs - in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.' But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: "In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Gospel: St John 14: 8-17, 25-27: Philip said to Jesus, 'Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied.' Jesus said to him, 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it. 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you for ever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. 'I have said these things to you while I am still with you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.'

Post-Communion Prayer: Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: Open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

Hymns:

| Saint Michael's | | | | |
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| Saint Mary's | 94 | 318 | 324 | |

Service Notes

- Services will be recorded and may be viewed online on: <u>www.churchservices.tv</u> and the Cathedral website (<u>www.saintmaryscathedral.ie</u>) 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 <u>www.saintmaryscathedral.ie</u> 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 |
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| Sunday 5 th | 10.00 | Morning Prayer | Saint Michael's |
| Pentecost | 11.15 | Holy Communion | The Cathedral |
| | | NO SERVICE | Ss John & Ailbe, Abington |
| Monday 6 th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral |
| Tuesday 7 th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral |
| | 13.15 | Lunchtime Concert | The Cathedral |
| | 19.30 | Parish Finance Committee | Zoom |
| Wednesday 8 th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral |
| Thursday 9 th | 10.30 | Holy Communion | The Cathedral |
| Friday 10 th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral |
| Saturday 11 th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral |
| | 14.00 | Grounds Clean Up | Ss John & Ailbe, Abington |
| Sunday 12 th | 10.00 | Holy Communion | Saint Michael's |
| Trinity Sunday | 11.00 | Morning Prayer | Ss John & Ailbe, Abington |
| | 11.15 | Matins and Baptism | The Cathedral |

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

A message about Parish Finances from the Dean: The Select Vestry and I are humbled and deeply appreciative of the generous support provided by the parish, in particular since March 2020. I have invited the Chairman of the Parish Finance Committee, Mr Keith Morrow, to add a few words on behalf of the Select Vestry. He writes,

Over the last number of years, a significant proportion of givers have moved to direct giving (ie Standing Orders) and we are extremely grateful of this, as it is a huge help to the finance committee in budgeting for the year ahead. The Select Vestry and Finance Committee wish to place on record their profound thanks to the parishioners of Limerick City Parish for their continued and generous support of the parish through their sustained financial giving. I wish to also wish to express my thanks to my colleagues on the Finance Committee for their work over the past year.

Diocesan Council for Mission: Will meet in the Woodlands Hotel, Adare on Thursday 9th June at 8pm. All are welcome to attend.

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.

Prayers for exams: As we approach the end of the School year, we hold in Prayer all those sitting exams. For those preparing such events – remember it is only an exam and we are all here to support you. The following prayer is for use by all those sitting an examination –

Dear Lord, I want to do my best to fulfil the potential you have given me. Help me:

- to stay calm
- to keep things in perspective and be content with the best I can do on the day
- to look out for my friends who need a bit of encouragement, and
- to always remember that the real test is how closely I can follow in your way.

The Cathedral Welcome desk: Are you interested in being part of the welcome team? Please speak with the Dean and/or Noreen Ellerker.

Abington Clean-up: A clean-up of the church grounds will take place on Saturday 11th June from 2pm – all welcome!

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.

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

| | 5 th June | l 2 th June | 19th June | 26 th June | |
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| Saint Michael's | Sheila Cusack | Trevor & Tracey Lyttle | Avril Condell | Tony O'Connell | |
| The Cathedral | Lillian Okechukwu | Alyson McHugh + | Keith O'Neil | Karen Wilson + | |
| | | Shawn/Carrie Jamieson | | Catherine Smith | |

Refreshments (with thanks to those on duty)

Livestreaming: Log onto <u>www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys</u> 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: Margaret Gladys Walshe, Fred Bond, Det. Garda Jerry McCabe, Sylvia Moorhead and Rosaleen Sheahan.

Cycle of Prayer: *Church of Ireland*: the Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh and Bishop Ferran Glenfield. *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*: the Anglican Church of Southern Africa. *Diocese*: that the Holy Spirit may guide our united diocese of Tuam, Limerick & Killaloe.

Prayers for the Sick: Your prayers are asked for the sick in our community, especially, Harold Armstrong, Sylvia Martin; Emily; Moira Lowry; Mac; Mike; Betty; Alan Kennedy; Jackie Grace; Zandra; Richard Brickenden; Kathleen Quinn; Stephen Richards; Kathleen Leddin; Marie O'Connor; Sinead; Martha McDermott; John Copley; Ava Colohan; Aileen Henderson; Flora Collins, Dean Sandra Pragnell and Barbara Famley. NOTE ABOUT PRAYER LIST: If you wish to place a name on the list, please email your prayer request to <u>limerickcityparishnews@gmail.com</u>. Under GDPR regulations please ensure you have the consent of the named person(s) before submitting a name. For confidentiality reasons the dergy 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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