

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: June 16th 2024 ~ Trinity III (Proper 6)

COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect for the week: Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: Give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 17: 22-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; 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.

Psalms 92 1-4, 12-15 (p. 699)

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord ♦ and to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
To tell of your love early in the morning ♦ and of your faithfulness in the night-time,
Upon the ten-stringed instrument, upon the harp, ♦ and to the melody of the lyre.
For you, Lord, have made me glad by your acts, ♦ and I sing aloud at the works of your hands.
The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, ♦ and shall spread abroad like a cedar of
Lebanon.

Such as are planted in the house of the Lord ♦ shall flourish in the courts of our God.

They shall still bear fruit in old age; ♦ they shall be vigorous and in full leaf;

That they may show that the Lord is true; ♦ he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him.

Epistle Reading: 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 Reading: 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: O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining and whose power we cannot comprehend: Give us a glimpse of your glory on earth but shield us from knowing more than we can bear until we may look upon you without fear; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

HYMNS				
Saint Michael's	668	385	378	528
The Cathedral	385	634	39	

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Services & Events

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday 16 th <i>Trinity III (Proper 6)</i>	9.30	Holy Communion	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Morning Prayer	St Michael's
	11.15	Choral Eucharist	The Cathedral
	17.00	Choral Evensong	St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam
Monday 17 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Tuesday 18 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	13.15	Lunchtime Concert	The Cathedral
Wednesday 19 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Thursday 20 th	10.30	Holy Communion <i>with act of healing</i>	The Cathedral
Friday 21 st	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday 22 nd	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday 23 rd <i>Trinity IV (Proper 7)</i>	10.00	Holy Communion	St Michael's
	11.15	Morning Prayer	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	11.15	Choral Matins	The Cathedral

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

(Where attachments are mentioned, hard copies are available through the parish office upon request)

Sympathy: We extend our deepest sympathy to Sean Casey and his family upon the death of his mother in law. We hold them all in our thoughts and prayers.

Congratulations: Our warmest congratulations to Siobhán Wheeler who was awarded the Weir Prize by the Theological Institute Court of Examiners.

Abington News:

- Morning Prayer in Abington on Sunday 23rd June will be at 11.15am. This is to facilitate the bring and share picnic which follows the service. The picnic will take place in the church grounds from approx. 12.30 pm. All Welcome
- Thank you for those who helped with the clean up in the church grounds last Saturday.

Irish Chamber Orchestra Friends' Membership: Please see attached flyer.

UDYC Events: Please see attached flyer on ezine for details of upcoming events

Healer prayer group: This group was active in the parish some years ago and the Dean is exploring the idea of restarting it. The group would probably meet once a month in the Cathedral to pray for the sick and those in need. They might also partake in the study of some Bible passages. If you are interested please let the Dean know.

Parish Survey: The report of the recent parish survey has been supplied us from Balmoral Consultancy, and we invite you to consider the findings. The author of the report welcomes feedback, comments and questions.

Installation: The bishop has appointed the Dean of Limerick, the Dean of Killaloe and the Rev'd Alex Morohan (Ballina) to the chapter of Tuam Cathedral. They will be at 5pm on Sunday 16th June in Saint Mary's Cathedral, Tuam. All are very welcome to attend. ***A bus is being organised for this event, if you would like to travel on same (€10 pp), please contact the Dean.

Free lunchtime concert in the Cathedral, all at 1.15pm: 18th June. Further concerts in June, see attached poster.

Health and Safety Notices: *Saint Michael's:* the side aisles are not in use until inspections, remedial works, etc are completed. *Cathedral:* on Sundays, the West door is closed at 11.30am (to avoid disruption). After that time, please use the South West Porch Entrance.

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.
- In an effort to maintain flowerbeds around the Cathedral grounds, we are exploring the idea of individuals/families (in memory of a loved one) either adopting a flowerbed (whereby they take care of maintaining same) or sponsoring a flowerbed (making a donation of €200 per annum for the upkeep & maintenance of same). For more information, please consult the Dean.

Volunteer list for Cathedral: The Dean would be glad to hear from anyone who is available to be included on a volunteer list for Cathedral events that require extra help at the door, in setting up chairs, and other activities. Please let the Dean or the Cathedral office know if you'd be willing to be on this rota and be contacted occasionally when large events are being held.

Diocesan cycle of prayer: We pray especially for those for whom the month of June has been, or continues to be, dominated by examinations crucial to their futures. We trust they will experience strength and guidance, and be granted gifts of calmness and concentration. In due course we pray that they will have necessary wisdom in dealing with course and career choices. We remember all who mark and assess exam scripts, as they hold their hands both the labours and the futures of a young generation. *Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* Iglesia Anglicana de Chile. *Porvoo Prayer Diary:* The Scottish Episcopal Church diocese of Argyll and the Isles & The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark diocese of Lolland-Falster.

Remembrance Book: Please remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time, among them: Austin Davern, Sylvia Moorhead, Rosaleen Sheahan, May Cullen, Gosta Melin and George Bannister.

Prayers for the Sick: Your prayers are asked for the sick in our community, especially, Emily; Mac; Alan Kennedy; Zandra; Kathleen Leddin; Martha McDermott; Sandra Pragnell; Danny Stone; Josh Stone; Terry Gibson; Sarah B; Cyril Foster; Patrick Hastings; Patricia Bourke; Jim K, Marie M, Gerry Grace, Mary Grace, Liz Kaldor, Trevor Richmond, Martin Hogan, Garrett Ryan, BO'D, Sue Gibson, Denis O'Connell, John Moore, Edel, Doris, Mary Catherine Finnegan, Jerry Murphy, Frank O'Connor, Baby Sloane O'Hanlon, Erica, Brigid, and John Sparling. *NOTE: If you wish to place a name on the list, please email it to limerickcityparishnews@gmail.com. Under GDPR please ensure you have the consent of the named person(s). 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.*

Rota of Readers & Refreshments

	9 th June	16 th June	23 rd June	30 th June	7 th July
REFRESHMENTS					
Saint Michael's	Susi Eckhardt	Keith & Sheelagh Morrow	John & Kayt Shier	Richard & Margaret Brickenden	Justin & Edel O'Connor
The Cathedral	Alyson McHugh	Keith O'Neill	Catherine Smith, Karen Wilson & Evelyn Sloane	Cathedral Team	Jemimah Egbulam
READERS					
Saint Michael's	Margaret Brickenden	Stephen Fairbrother	Daire McNamara	Lucy Kavanagh	Tbc
The Cathedral	Lindsay Boyle	David Thompson	Paul Cabel	Tamasin Plowman	Tbc
FLOWERS					
The Cathedral	Jemimah Egbulam	Jemimah Egbulam	Jemimah Egbulam	Jemimah Egbulam	Jemimah Egbulam

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