

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: June 9th 2024 ~ St Columba / Trinity II (Proper 5)

COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect for the week: O God, you called your servant Columba from among the princes of this land to be a herald and evangelist of your kingdom: Grant that your Church, remembering his faith and courage, may so proclaim the splendour of your grace that people everywhere will come to know your Son as their Saviour, and serve him as their King; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Micah 4: 1-5

In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised up above the hills. Peoples shall stream to it, and many nations shall come and say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between many peoples, and shall arbitrate between strong nations far away; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more; but they shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid; for the mouth of the Lord of hosts has spoken. For all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, but we will walk in the name of the Lord our God for ever and ever.

Psalm 34: 9-15 (p. 628)

Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones, ♦ for those who fear him lack nothing.

Lions may lack and suffer hunger, ♦ but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

Come, my children, and listen to me; ♦ I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Who is there who delights in life ♦ and longs for days to enjoy good things?

Keep your tongue from evil ♦ and your lips from lying words.

Turn from evil and do good; ♦ seek peace and pursue it.

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous ♦ and his ears are open to their cry.

Epistle Reading: Romans 15: 1-6

We who are strong ought to put up with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Each of us must please our neighbour for the good purpose of building up the neighbour. For Christ did not please himself; but, as it is written, 'The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.' For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

New Testament / Gospel Reading: St John 12: 20-26

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

Post Communion Prayer: Lord Jesus, King of Saints, in the solemn roll call of your sons we name Columba. Mould us, who have tasted your goodness at this table, to your perfection, so we may come as guests to the Royal banquet of your kingdom in heaven; where with the Father and the Son, you reign, for ever. Amen.

HYMNS				
Saint Michael's	461	539	507	522
The Cathedral	471	539	458	

Services are recorded and may be viewed online on www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys and www.saintmaryscathedral.ie within the following 90 days. After that time recordings will be destroyed; however, exceptions may apply and recordings could last longer if the Cathedral requires it. Occasional services may be recorded and will be advertised on www.churchservices.tv and www.saintmaryscathedral.ie/other Cathedral communication channels. If you would like further information on a particular event, please contact the Cathedral office. If you do not wish to appear in the recording, please advise Churchwardens who will guide you to an area which will not be filmed and will make arrangements for you to receive Holy Communion there. *NRSV (Anglicized Edition), copyright 1989, 1995 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America; Material in this service reproduced from BCP under licence © RCB 2004; One License Number: A-738650; Use QR code to donate to St Mary's online*



Services & Events

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday 9 th St Columba Trinity II (Proper 5)	10.00	Morning Prayer	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Holy Communion	St Michael's
	11.15	Choral Matins	The Cathedral
	17.00	Choral Evensong	St Flannan's Cathedral, Killaloe
Monday 10 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Tuesday 11 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	13.15	Lunchtime Talk	The Cathedral
Wednesday 12 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Thursday 13 th	10.30	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
Friday 14 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday 15 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday 16 th Trinity III (Proper 6)	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

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 Arthur, Dawn and the Greene family upon the recent death of Arthur's sister, Sheila Morrow. We hold them all in our thoughts and prayers.

RSCM Sunday: Is today, when we celebrate and give thanks for the ministry of choirs within our parish.

Congratulations

- To our parish school on obtaining a Green flag, which will be officially raised this coming Thursday in the presence of the Bishop.
- To Dr Jessica Egbulam upon her graduation from the school of medicine in the University of Dublin.
- To Stefan Eckhardt and Rachel McNamara who were married last weekend in Raheen Church.
- To the Community Choir upon their successful concert last Friday in the Cathedral and with thanks to Dr Catherine Smith, the Curate and all involved with this initiative.

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 16 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.*

Lifts to Killaloe: The Choir of the Cathedral have been invited to sing Choral Evensong in Killaloe Cathedral on Sunday 9th June at 5pm. If anyone is interested in attending and can offer car lifts to choir members, please let the Dean or Organist know. Thank you.

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.

Free lunchtime talks in the Cathedral, all at 1.15pm: 11th June: Talk: Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness (ecclesiastical music). 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 think of St Columba, of his learning and hymn writing, his love of the psalms, his commitment to monastic holiness, his willingness to leave behind all that was familiar and follow the call of the Spirit to found a new community on Iona, where the influence of the mission he led in and beyond Scotland proved remarkable. We pray for all today's pioneers, for those who renew the call to holiness in ancient sites of pilgrimage and beauty, for a continuing revival of religious communities as a focus

for renewal within the church. *Anglican Cycle of Prayer*: Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo. *Porvoo Prayer Diary*: The Evangelical Lutheran Church of Iceland & The Spanish Reformed Episcopal Church.

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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