
Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: 1st September 2024 ~ Trinity XIV (Proper 17)

COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect for the week: Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: Give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-9

So now, Israel, give heed to the statutes and ordinances that I am teaching you to observe, so that you may live to enter and occupy the land that the Lord, the God of your ancestors, is giving you. You must neither add anything to what I command you nor take away anything from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God with which I am charging you. You must observe them diligently, for this will show your wisdom and discernment to the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and discerning people!' For what other great nation has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is whenever we call to him? And what other great nation has statutes and ordinances as just as this entire law that I am setting before you today? But take care and watch yourselves closely, so as neither to forget the things that your eyes have seen nor to let them slip from your mind all the days of your life; make them known to your children and your children's children.

Psalm 15 (BCP p. 606)

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? ♦ Who may rest upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads an uncorrupt life ♦ and does the thing that is right;

Who speaks the truth from the heart ♦ and bears no deceit on the tongue;

Who does no evil to a friend ♦ and pours no scorn on a neighbour;

In whose sight the wicked are not esteemed, ♦ but who honours those who fear the Lord.

Whoever has sworn to a neighbour ♦ and never goes back on that word;

Who does not lend money in hope of gain, ♦ nor takes a bribe against the innocent;

Whoever does these things ♦ shall never fall.

Epistle Reading: James 1: 17-27

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

New Testament/Gospel Reading: Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of

the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?' He said to them, 'Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, "This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines." You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.' Then he called the crowd again and said to them, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand: there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.' For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.'

Post-Communion Prayer: Lord God, the source of truth and love: Keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymns				
Saint Michael's	8	388	350	566
The Cathedral	6	10(i)	601	

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Services & Events

Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday 1 st Sept. <i>Trinity XIV</i> <i>(Proper 17)</i>	10.00	Morning Prayer	St Michael's
	11.15	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
	15.00	Harvest	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
Monday 2 nd	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Tuesday 3 rd	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Wednesday 4 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	20.00	St Michael's Committee	St Michael's
Thursday 5 th	10.30	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
Friday 6 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday 7 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday 8 th Sept. <i>Trinity XV</i> <i>(Proper 18)</i>	10.00	Morning Prayer	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Holy Communion	St Michael's
	11.15	Choral Eucharist	The Cathedral
	15.00	Choral Evensong	The Cathedral

THISWEEK'S NOTICES

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

Welcome: We welcome in Holy Baptism, Charles Thomas Peirce, son of Colin and Claire who is to be baptised in the Cathedral this morning.

Healer Prayer Group: A renewed call of interest for those who might be interested in being a part of this group. Please let the Dean know.

Book of Kells: Anyone with a keen interest in the Book of Kells is invited to speak with the Dean in relation of an event he/she might be interested in attending in late September.

Accommodation sought: Seán, a master's student from Donegal, is looking for accommodation near Limerick University or the city. Budget: €350-€500/month. Willing to help around the house if living with a landlord. Please contact Seán at seanmcdermott809@gmail.com or 0874328339.

Sympathy: We extend our deepest sympathy to Nicola Meade a great friend and supporter of Abington church on the death of her mother, Valory in the USA. We hold Nicola and her family in our thoughts and prayers.

St Michael's Committee: A meeting to which all are welcome will be held in the Church Hall on Wednesday 4th September at 8pm.

Dates to note:

1st September: Harvest Thanksgiving in Ss John & Ailbe, Abington at 3pm. Preacher: Canon Jane Galbraith.

1st September: Memorial service for Kenneth Derek Long in St Nicholas church, Adare at 2pm. All welcome. *(brother of Pearl Mitchell and formerly of Deelside Veterinary Clinic),*

8th September: Friends Festival/Patronal Service in the Cathedral (see note below)

15th September: United service in Saint Mary's Cathedral at 11.15am with farewell to Dr Madden.

19th September: Institution of the Rev'd Dr Leonard Madden in Christ Church, Bray at 7pm.

6th October: Harvest Thanksgiving in Saint Michael's at 10am. Preacher: The Rev'd Stephen Neill

6th October: Harvest Thanksgiving in Saint Mary's at 11.15am. Preacher: The Rev'd Stephen Neill

Mothers Union Opening Service: We will be joined by Adare Branch for our Opening Service which will be held on Tuesday 10th September in St Michael's Church at 7pm. Dr Madden will lead our service of Holy Communion. This will be followed by a cup of tea and a chat! If anyone would like a lift please let me know on 087 2078850. Looking forward to seeing you all then.

Saint Mary's Cathedral ~ Friends Festival/Patronal Service: The Patronal and Friends of Saint Mary's Cathedral Festival Service will take place on Sunday 8th September 2023 at 11.15am. The Dean of Cork will be the preacher. Following the service there will be lunch, hosted by the Friends – all are welcome to dine (please book in with the Churchwardens or Cathedral office). The AGM will take place in the afternoon and this will be followed by Choral Evensong at 3.00pm. ALL WELCOME!

Sunday Club: Please see attached notice for the children (under 12s) of our parish. If any post primary children would be willing to help out with children's activities, please speak with the Dean. Sunday Club will resume in full in September. It meets during the 11.15am Service in the Cathedral on the First and Third Sundays of the month with vacation breaks. Its' first gathering will be 1st September. Normally on the First Sunday of the month it takes the form of Godly Play. It is open to primary school going children. Preschoolers are welcome if accompanied by a carer and the assistance of post primary schoolers would be greatly appreciated.

The Curate: The Rev'd Dr Leonard Madden will be instituted Rector of Bray in Christ Church, Bray at 7pm on Thursday September 19th. We shall be making a presentation to Leonard on September 15th and if you would like to make a contribution towards this, please leave your donation in a sealed envelope marked 'LM Pres', with the Churchwardens or in the Cathedral Office.

Confirmation: Candidates (not their parents or guardians) interested in receiving the sacrament of confirmation this October should contact a member of the clergy. Confirmation is administered to those in 2nd year of second-level education and above. *** **Please let the Dean know by 1st September.**

CMHI: The Church’s Ministry of Healing: Ireland is offering a 6-week online course, “God, Me, and Anxiety,” which starts on Sept 11th at 7.30pm. Whether you experience chronic anxiety, anxiety for the state of the world, or simply want to spend time resting and allowing God to tend to the vulnerable parts of your being, then this course is for you. Lydia, CMHI: Ministry Leader, and Fionnula, psychotherapist and lay reader, will guide participants in sessions that include: prayer practices; contemplative story-telling; and reflections on scripture. Spaces are limited and the cost is donation-based. Go to www.ministryofhealing.ie to find out more and sign up, or contact hello@ministryofhealing.ie if you have any questions.

Cycles of prayer: *Diocese:* The season of harvest thanksgivings - ‘Creator God, you made the goodness of the land and the riches of the sea and the rhythm of the seasons; as we thank you for the harvest, may we cherish and respect this planet and its peoples, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. *Porvoo:* *Evangelical Lutheran Church of Finland:* Diocese of Turku, Archbishop Tapio Luoma, Bishop Mari Leppänen. *Church of England:* Diocese of York, Archbishop Stephen Cottrell, Bishop Paul Ferguson, Bishop John Thomson, Bishop Eleanor Sanderson, Bishop Stephen Race.

Remembrance Book: Bernie Twomey Joyce Howes Ruth Bannister, Ruth Haselbeck, Fredrick Bingham, Mildred Hitchman John Jennings and George Bingham.

Prayers for the Sick: Terry Gibson, Martin Hogan, Jerry Murphy, Sarah B, Mary Alicia Downes, Kathleen Leddin, John Sparling, Pat & Mary O’ Donnell, Patricia Bourke, Mary Catherine Finnegan. *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

	1 st September	8 th September	15 th September	22 nd September	29 th September
REFRESHMENTS					
Saint Michael’s	Nicholas & Annabelle Griffin	Susi Eckhardt	Keith & Sheelagh Morrow	John & Kayt Shier	Richard & Margaret Brickenden
The Cathedral	Liz Lynam	Jemimah Egbulam	Keith O’Neill	Brian Sheppard	Shawn & Carrie Jamieson
READERS					
Saint Michael’s	John Shier	Margaret Brickenden	Lucy Kavanagh	Annabelle Griffin	Stephen Fairbrother
The Cathedral	Lindsay Boyle	David Thompson	Paul Cabel	Tamasin Plowman	Alan Bunworth

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