WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: 18th August 2024 ~ Trinity XII (Proper 15)

COLLECTS AND READINGS

Collect for the week: Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire, or deserve: Pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask save through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord. Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Proverbs 9: 1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, 'You that are simple, turn in here!' To those without sense she says, 'Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight.'

Psalm 34: 9-14 (BCP 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.

Epistle Reading: Ephesians 5: 15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

New Testament: Gospel Reading: John 6:51-58

I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Post-Communion Prayer: God of compassion, in this eucharist we know again your forgiveness and the healing power of your love. Grant that we who are made whole in Christ may bring that forgiveness and healing to this broken world, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

| Hymns | | | | | | | |
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| Saint Michael's | 370 | 708 | 369 | 680 | | | |
| The Cathedral | 51(i) | 433(i) | 398(ii) | 369 | | | |

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Services & Events

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| Date | Time | Event | Venue | | | | |
| Sunday 18 th Trinity XII (Proper 15) | 9.30 | Holy Communion | Ss John & Ailbe, Abington | | | | |
| | 10.00 | Morning Prayer | St Michael's | | | | |
| | 11.15 | Holy Communion | The Cathedral | | | | |
| Monday 19 th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral | | | | |
| Tuesday 20th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral | | | | |
| Wednesday 21st | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral | | | | |
| Thursday 22 nd | 10.30 | Holy Communion | The Cathedral | | | | |
| Friday 23 rd | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral | | | | |
| Saturday 24th | 10.30 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral | | | | |
| Sunday 25 th Trinity XIII (Proper 16) | 10.00 | Morning Prayer | Ss John & Ailbe, Abington | | | | |
| | 10.00 | Holy Communion | St Michael's | | | | |
| | 11.15 | Morning Prayer | The Cathedral | | | | |

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

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

Dates to note:

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

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

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

Cathedral flowers: This week's arrangements are dedicated to the memory of Annette Cronin wife of Tom Cronin.

Sunday Club: 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: Congratulations to our Curate, the Rev'd Dr Leonard Madden on his appointment as Rector of Bray, Co. Wicklow. His institution will be in Christ Church, Bray at 7pm on Thursday September 19th. We shall be making a presentation to Leonard in September 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.

Housing sought: Family of 4 along with their budgie and hamster are looking for a house to rent in Limerick City. Both my husband and myself work and our daughters attend Villiers School (starting in 6th yr) and St. Michaels N.S (currently in 5th class). We have been renting for the past 15yrs, so have all our own furniture, and take care of the houses we have rented, cut grass, hedging etc. If you hear or know of anywhere, could you please contact Julie Cade on 0833638026.

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.

Robes Keeper: The Dean and Organist are looking for someone who would be interested in helping look after the choir robes in the Cathedral. More information from the Dean.

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.

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.

Free lunchtime concerts in the Cathedral, all at 1.15pm: Mary Culloty O'Sullivan (soprano) Tuesday 24th September.

Cycles of prayer: *Diocese*: Jesus declares in today's Gospel Reading from John, in a phrase hugely rich in meaning, that those who eat his flesh and drink his blood have eternal life, and will be raised up on the last day. We pray for the constant renewal of the Eucharistic life of the church as an experience of the beauty of holiness, a true glimpse of eternity in the present, and a source of inspiration and energy to be Christ's hands and eyes in the world we know and serve. Truly we are what we eat: we are the Body of Christ.

Porvoo: Church of Ireland: Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh, Bishop Ferran Glenfield. Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Aarhus, Bishop Henrik Wigh-Poulsen. Anglican: The Anglican Church of Melanesia

Remembrance Book: Lilian Maud Tardivel, Annette Cronin, Pamela Lusk, Robert Jordon, Dorothy O'Neil. Rev. Neil Osthuizen, Pearl White, Alan Oakley, Renata Franke and Myrtle Somers.

Prayers for the Sick: Please note that the sick list will be cleared on September 1st and a new list created. Existing names may be reincluded upon request.

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, Erica, Brigid, Valory, John Sparling, Pat O'Donnell, Mary O'Donnell, Mary Alicia Downes and Ron Ireland. 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

| | 18th August | 25th August | I st September | 8 th September | 15 th September | | | | |
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| REFRESHMENTS | | | | | | | | | |
| Saint Michael's | Tony O'Connell | Ruth Lillie O'Connell | | | | | | | |
| The Cathedral | Keith O'Neill | Karen Wilson & Catherine Smith | Liz Lynam | Jemimah Egbulam | Keith O'Neill | | | | |
| READERS | | | | | | | | | |
| Saint Michael's | Bernard Amaeze | Sheelagh Morrow | John Shier | Margaret Brickenden | Lucy Kavanagh | | | | |
| The Cathedral | Noreen Elleker | Frank Sheahan | Lindsay Boyle | David Thompson | Paul Cabel | | | | |
| FLOWERS | | | | | | | | | |
| The Cathedral | Christine O'Neil | Christine O'Neil | | | | | | | |

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