



Sunday Masses (Webcam):

*SS John & Paul Church: Saturday 6:30 pm.
Sunday 10 am and 12:15 pm.*

*Mary Immaculate Church - Saturday 12 noon.
Sunday 9 am and 11 am.*

Weekday Masses (Webcam):

*Mary Immaculate Church Monday -Friday 10 am
SS John & Paul Church Thursday -Friday 7 pm*

SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER

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June 23rd 2024

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Priest on duty this week: Fr. Tom Whelan

Our Prayers and Sympathies to: The O'Mara family on the death of Brendan O'Mara, Dun an Oir. The Buckley family on the death of Ronald Buckley, Tullyglass Crescent. Marion Hickey on the death of her brother John Molloy, Coventry, England. May God grant them eternal rest.

Month's Mind Mass For: Margaret Nesbitt will be held Saturday 29th of June at 12 noon in Mary Immaculate Church.

First Anniversary Mass For: Leontia Stephen will be celebrated next Sunday 30th of June at 11am in Mary Immaculate Church. Nora King will take place Sunday 30th of June at 11am in Mary Immaculate Church.

Anniversaries: Brendan Mulvihill, deceased members of the McEvoy, McMahan and O'Sullivan families.

Mass Schedule Tuesday 25th June

There will be no Mass in Mary Immaculate Church at 10am on Tuesday 25th of June. Thank you for your understanding. End of year Mass for St. Senan's Primary School will be celebrated at 11am in Mary Immaculate Church. All are welcome to attend. The Novena to St. Anthony will take place on Wednesday 26th of June at 10am.

Priests' Summer Collection



We thank you for your great support for the Priests' Summer collection. If you were away or forgot, your donation is still welcome. Envelopes are available in our Churches and donations can also be made through our Parish website www.shannonparish.ie. Many thanks also to the envelope distributors who kindly gave their time to distribute the envelopes to the houses in the Parish on our behalf. We are very grateful for their help and support. Mile buíochas!

Children's Liturgy

The Children's Liturgy is now on its summer break. We look forward to seeing you all again when it returns in September. A huge word of thanks to those who prepared and organised the Liturgy every week.

World Day for Grandparents and Elderly

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Event will take place on July 28th at Knock Shrine. For more info. visit www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024

We wish every success and blessing to all from our Parish who travelled to Lourdes this week for the Annual Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage, especially if you travelled for the first time. Do keep all of us in your prayers at the Grotto in Lourdes.



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
May almighty God have mercy on us... Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer; you are seated
at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us;
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
IN THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER. AMEN.



OPENING PRAYER

Grant, O Lord, that we may always revere and love your holy name, for you never deprive of your guidance those you set firm on the foundation of your love. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Job 38 1, 8 - 11

A reading from the Book of Job

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther; here your proud waves shall break.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PS.106:23-26, 28-31

R. O give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever. or Alleluia!

1. Some sailed to the sea in ships to trade on the mighty waters.
These men have seen the Lord's deeds, the wonders he does in the deep. **[R]**
2. For he spoke; he summoned the gale,

tossing the waves of the sea up to heaven and back into the deep; their soul melted away in their distress. **[R]**

3. Then they cried to the Lord in their need and he rescued them from their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper: all the waves of the sea were hushed. **[R]**

4. They rejoiced because of the calm and he led them to the haven they desired. Let them thank the Lord for his love, the wonders he does for men. **[R]**

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 5:14 - 17

A reading from the 2nd letter of St. Paul's to the Corinthians

A reading from St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians
The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them. From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 4: 35 - 41

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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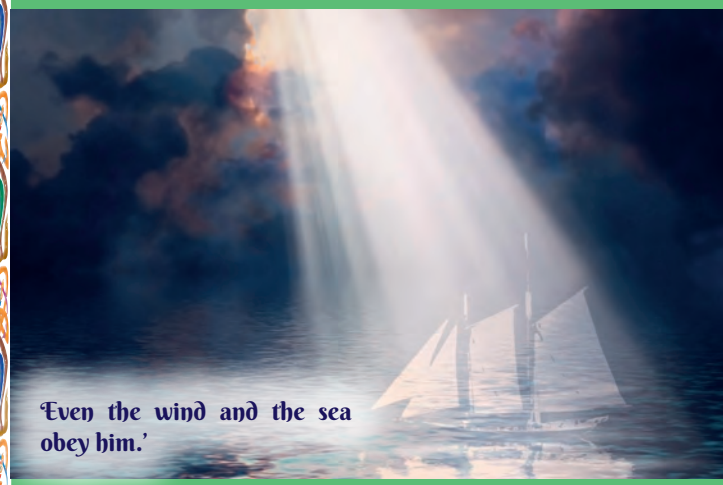
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,



focus on sunday

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 23rd June 2024

The gospel is an invitation to faith; to believe in the presence of Christ even when he seems far away. This is part of the darkness of our relationship with God; faith in him is the dawn that follows darkness.



'Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters...

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive, O Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation and praise and grant that, cleansed by its action, we may make offering of a heart pleasing to you. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed and nourished by the Sacred Body and Precious Blood of your Son, we ask of your mercy, O Lord, that what we celebrate with constant devotion may be our sure pledge of redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.



At the storm centre

Storms on the Sea of Galilee are sudden and unpredictable. The word Mark uses suggests a whirlwind or a hurricane of immense power (lailaps); very quickly the boat is near sinking. Throughout this ordeal Jesus is asleep in the stern. When Jesus does tackle the storm, he uses the same word he uses to exorcise the demon in the synagogue, 'Be silent' (Mark 1:25), and leaves 'a dead calm', a scene of peace. Jesus then turns on the disciples for their cowardice and lack of faith. Considering some of them are fishermen by profession they should have known what to do. This story is not simply about Jesus' ability to control the weather, rather its focus is more on the disciples' failure to cope with the storm.

We might recognise points of our own pilgrimage in that same boat – the wind roaring, the waves rising and Jesus apparently dead to the world. The disciples are afraid (4:40), not so much of the storm, which has been stilled, but perhaps the penny is starting to drop. They realise that Jesus means what he says, that he actually wants them to become agents of change, that this Kingdom of God stuff is real and that they will be the ones to go forth and announce it. Would they not be better off heading back to the safety of the lives they left behind? After all, they would not have been on the lake in the first place without Jesus' invitation (v.25b). Maybe the real miracle in this story is the calming presence of Jesus, which stills the panic of the disciples and enables them to take control of themselves once more. Christ is known especially in the storms of Galilee. At the end of the gospel we are told that that is where we will find the Risen Jesus, in Galilee, at the centre of the storm. What storms are raging in our world today? Is there a storm we are being invited into? When have you experienced Jesus absent from your world? In hindsight, what was really going on?

'Not all storms come to disrupt your life, some come to clear your path.' – Paulo Coelho

An extract from Triona Doherty & Jane Mellett, The Deep End – A Journey Through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Mark, Messenger Publications, Dublin 2023.