

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 9th, 2024 - Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Priest on duty this week: Fr. Tom Whelan

Our Prayers and Sympathies to: The Myers family on the death of Danny Myers, Carrigerry and Shannon. The Nesbitt family on the death of Margaret Nesbitt, Castlemagner & Shannon. The Cunningham family on the death of Jean Cunningham. The MacBeth family on the death of Louise MacBeth, Sixmilebridge & Shannon. Betsy Fleming on the death of her brother Harry Connolly, Canada. May they Rest in Peace.

Month's Mind Mass For: Gina Devanney-Rog will be held in SS John and Paul Church, June 16th at 12.15pm.

<u>First Anniversary Mass For:</u> Albert Burke will be held in Mary Immaculate Church at 10am on June 13th.

Anniversaries: Michael Browne, Julita Barrett, Stella Carroll, Anne Geraghty, Bridie Cooling, Edward and Margaret Donegan, Breada Keogh-Henderick, Ann Meaney, Jennifer McCarthy, Geraldine McDonagh, Michael and Bridie Mooney, Ger O'Regan, Tom O'Shaughnessy, Jacqueline Petticrew, Mary and Jim Sexton, Joe Smyth and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Shannon Active Retirement Association Meeting

On Wednesday 12th of June in the Conservatory at the Oakwood Hotel, the last meeting for Shannon Active Retirement Association before the summer break will be held. All are welcome to attend.

Killaloe Summer Appointments 2024

Bishop Fintan announced the annual changes for the Diocese on Friday last. The full list can be found on the Killaloe website and our social media. The following are the changes that affect the Tradaree Pastoral Area:

Fr. Michael Collins, Co-PP, VF, Tradaree Pastoral Area, to finish in Tradaree and to be to be VF in Radharc na nOileán Pastoral area, resident in Kildysart. Fr. Michael is also Episcopal Vicar for Mission and Ministry, and he will continue in that role.

Fr. Albert McDonnell, Chancellor, VF, Radharc na nOileán to finish there and to be Co-PP and VF in Tradaree Pastoral Area, resident in Newmarket on Fergus while continuing as Diocesan Chancellor. The move to Tradaree takes place during early December.

From the end of July until the end of November the Tradaree Pastoral area will take responsibility for Newmarket on Fergus, with Fr. Tom Whelan acting as a contact person for the parish of Newmarket on Fergus. Fr. Harry Bohan will continue in his role as AP for the Tradaree Pastoral area. Fr. Tom Whelan to act as VF during the interim.

While we are so sorry to see Fr. Michael depart from the pastoral area, we wish him every blessing as he takes up his new appointment Obviously this will mean change is necessary as we will be down to three full-time priests in the pastoral area. While this is not easy, we appreciate your understanding.

Feast of Saint Anthony



St. Anthony's Novena will be celebrated this Thursday 13th of June at 10am in Mary Immaculate Church. We have a tradition of inviting parishioners to donate lilies for this

Mass. You are welcome to bring your lilies along on the day or to any Mass during the week.

Anam Cara Online Bereavement Information Evening

This online event for bereaved parents takes place on Thursday 13th of June from 7pm to 8.30pm. Guest speaker is Diane Clabby, an accredited Trauma Informed Psychotherapist. She has a special interest in working with trauma, loss & bereavement, suicide prevention, intervention and postvention. For more details email info@anamcara.ie or call 01 404 5378.

Last Sunday's and Priests' Summer Collection

Last Sunday's Collection was €1,980. As always, we thank you for your great support. The Priests' Summer Collection will be taken up at all Masses next weekend June 15th and 16th. Envelopes are being distributed by volunteers and will be available in our churches. You can also donate online on the donate button of the website www.shannonparish.ie.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

PENITENTIAL ACT

You raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy.Lord, have mercy.
You bring pardon and peace to the sinner:
Christ, have mercy.Christ, have mercy.
You bring light to those in darkness:
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

O God, from whom all good things come,grant that we, who call on you in our need,may at your prompting discern what is right, and by your guidance do it. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 3:9 - 15

A reading from the Book of Genesis

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden;' he replied 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the serpent, 'Because you have done this, 'Be accursed beyond all cattle, all wild beasts. You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust every day of your life. I will make you enemies of each other: you and the woman, your offspring and her offspring. It will crush your head and you will strike its heel.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM P.S. 129

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you.

My soul is waiting for the Lord,
 I count on his word.
 My soul is longing for the Lord
 more than watchman for daybreak. [R]

 Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity.

SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 4:13 - 5:1

A reading from St. Paul's second letter to the Corinthians
As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned
in scripture - I believed, and therefore I spoke - we
too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that
he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with
Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you
with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that
the more grace is multiplied among people, the more
thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 3: 20 - 35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.

The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him,' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And



if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either - it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.

'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness; he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother. '

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow for following two lines: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary. suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church. the communion of saints. the forgiveness of sins. the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Jesus's life brings out the struggle between good and evil.

He is the one who by his death and resurrection has

conquered evil.





In today's Gospel, Jesus appears to be quite rude, dismissive of his mother and relatives. St. Mark's Gospel was written in order to reveal Jesus as the Son of God. Would St. Mark not have been better to

omit this story altogether, as it seems to portray the Son of God in a not very good light? But perhaps Mark includes this story because it is so important. Many of the early Christians found themselves in conflict with their family and their Jewish community, who wanted nothing to do with them because they had abandoned the faith of their fathers and converted to Christianity. Some were rejected by their friends and sacked from their employment. They were tempted to give up their Christian beliefs and return to the comfort of their Jewish way of life. In those parts of the world where Christians are a persecuted minority, this sense of exclusion and hostility is still a reality of life for them. But this story reminds them, and us, that, as Christians, our family goes beyond the nuclear family, or the tribe, or country, to which we belong, and extends to the whole human race. Perhaps Jesus wanted to encourage them to continue as Christians by reminding them, and us, that we now have a new family, a global community, to which we belong. Christians exclude no-one from their love, even if we ourselves are sometimes excluded by others.

Fr. Peter McVerry

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