



Sunday Masses (Webcam):

*SS John & Paul Church : Saturday 6:30 pm.
Sunday 12 noon.*

Mary Immaculate Church : Sunday 10:30 am

Daily Masses (Webcam):

*Mary Immaculate Church : Tuesday -Friday 10 am
Saturday : 11 am*

SS John & Paul Church : Friday 7 pm

SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Radio 105.6 FM for Mass from SS John and Paul
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February 23rd - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Priest on duty this week: Fr. Michael Geraghty

Our Prayers and Sympathies to: Anne Kilderry on the death of her brother Tim O'Regan, Co. Cork. The Molloy family, on the death of Mary Molloy, Finian Park. The Dunn family, on the death of Ian Richard Dunn, Cluainin May they rest in eternal peace.

Months Mind Mass for: Peggy Caulfield will be held Sunday, March 2nd at 10.30am in Mary Immaculate Church.

Anniversaries: Marichu Almazan, Geraldine Bunting (née Boland), Brenda Collins, Jim Conway, Eileen Garvey, Teresa Hayes, Brendan Hughes, Nathan Lawlor, Kathleen McAlinden, Theresa Nolan, Michael and Margret O'Connor, Kieran O'Gorman, Martin O'Regan, George Quinn and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sanctuary Lamps



Box of sanctuary lamps lasting four months in our Churches for special intentions are available for €25. Donations can be left into the Sacristy or Parish office with your intentions list. Donors intentions this week are for Special Intentions.

Last Sunday's Collection and Second Collection



Last Sunday's collection was €2,235. As ever, we thank you for your great support and generosity. There is a second collection at all Masses this weekend in support of the Parish Faith Formation Appeal.

Bunratty Castle and Folk Park



Bunratty Castle and Folk Park are hosting a Mid Term Celebration this weekend. Enjoy a host of exciting activities this Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd from 11am to 5pm. Includes a range of family fun - puppet shows, comedy show with juggling and circus skills, vintage machinery display, trad music and more. Visit www.bunrattycastle.ie

Our Changing Church

The Killaloe Diocese Adult Faith Team invites you to a talk/discussion on Saturday, March 1st from 10am to 1pm in the Parish Centre, Ennis Cathedral. Dr. Michael Conway, Prof. of Faith & Culture Maynooth will be speaking. He will present on the impact of change in Church and Society and initiate a conversation on how we may respond. All are welcome.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 2025



Shannon Airport to Medjugorje from May 21st to May 28th is €875 per person sharing. Full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team. Bookings can be made by contacting Kathleen and Jimmy Morris on 061 362657 or 086 3271657.

Monday Evening Mass – February 24th

Mass this Monday evening, at 7pm will take place in the Adoration Chapel instead of SS John and Paul Church as a mark of respect and to remember Bishop Willie who consecrated the Adoration Chapel in 2009. All are welcome to attend.

Bishop Willie Walsh R.I.P.



Bishop Willie Walsh was born January 16th, 1935 in Glenbeha Roscrea, County Tipperary . The youngest of six children, he attended Corville and Roscrea National schools. In 1952, he began his studies at St. Patrick's College, Maynooth for the priesthood. In 1955 he went to the Pontifical Irish College in Rome and was ordained to the priesthood in the Basilica of St. John Lateran, on February 21st, 1959, by Cardinal Luigi Traglia. After ordination, Bishop Walsh returned to the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome for further studies where he was awarded a Doctorate in Canon Law in 1962. He was appointed to the staff of St. Flannan's College in Ennis in 1963. He taught Maths, Science, Physics and Religion for 25 years until his appointment as curate at the Cathedral in Ennis in 1988. In 1990, he was appointed as Administrator of the Cathedral and held that position until he was appointed as Coadjutor Bishop of the Diocese on June 21st, 1994. He was ordained Bishop at the Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul, Ennis on October 2nd 1994, and served as Bishop of the Diocese for 17 years. He retired in 2011 on the appointment of Bishop Kieran O'Reilly as Bishop of Killaloe. He died on February 19th, 2025.

May He Rest in Peace.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.
My heart will rejoice in your salvation.
I will sing to the Lord who has been
bountiful with me.

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,



OPENING PRAYER

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that, always pondering spiritual things,
we may carry out in both word and deed
that which is pleasing to you.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ,.....

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 26:2 7-9.12-13. 22-23

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness
of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men
chosen from Israel to search for David in the
wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their
way towards the force, where they found Saul
asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the
ground beside his head, with Abner and the
troops lying around him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has



SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

It is natural to stand up to people and 'get even' with them. The
message of the gospels runs differently: we must learn to be as
compassionate and forgiving as God our Father is when we turn to
Him for forgiveness. 23rd February 2025



put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin
him to the ground with his own spear. Just one
stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David
answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can
lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and
be without guilt?' David took the spear and the
pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and
they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no
one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep
sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on
the top of the mountain a long way off; there
was a wide space between them. David then
called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of
the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord
repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty.
Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would
not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 102:1-4.8.10.12-13

R. The Lord is compassion and love.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.
My soul, give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. (R)

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills, who redeems
your life from the grave, who crowns you with
love and compassion. (R)

3. The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
He does not treat us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our faults. (R)

4. As far as the east is from the west
so far does he remove our sins.
As a father has compassion on his sons,
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. (R)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:45-49.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became
a living soul; but the last Adam has become a
life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the
soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with
the spirit. The first man, being from the earth,

is earthly by nature; the second man is from
heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on
earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we
in heaven. And we, who have been modelled
on the earthly man, will be modelled on the
heavenly man.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to
accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 6:27- 38

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you
who are listening: Love your enemies, do good
to those who hate you, bless those who curse
you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the
man who slaps you on one cheek, present the
other cheek too; to the man who takes your
cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give
to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for
your property back from the man who robs you.
Treat others as you would like them to treat you.
If you love those who love you, what thanks can
you expect? Even sinners love those who love
them. And if you do good to those who do good
to you, what thanks can you expect? For even
sinners do that much. And if you lend to those
from whom you hope to receive, what thanks
can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to
get back the same amount. Instead, love your
enemies and do good, and lend without any
hope of return. You will have a great reward,
and you will be sons of the Most High, for he
himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.
'Be compassionate as your Father is com-
passionate. Do not judge, and you will not
be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and
you will not be condemned yourselves; grant
pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and
there will be gifts for you: a full measure,
pressed down, shaken together, and running
over, will be poured into your lap; because the
amount you measure out is the amount you will
be given back.'

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,
All bow for following three lines:
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified
under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death
and was buried, and rose again on
the third day in accordance with the
Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the
right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver
of life, who proceeds from the Father and the
Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified, who has spoken through the
prophets.

I believe in one, holy,
catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins and I look forward to the resurrection
of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

✠ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we celebrate your mysteries, O Lord,
with the observance that is your due, we
humbly ask you, that what we offer to the
honour of your majesty may profit us for
salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your
Cross and Resurrection you have set us
free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will recount all your wonders, I will
rejoice in you and be glad, and sing
psalms to your name, O Most High.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we may
experience the effects of the salvation
which is pledged to us by these mysteries.
Through Christ our Lord.

