



**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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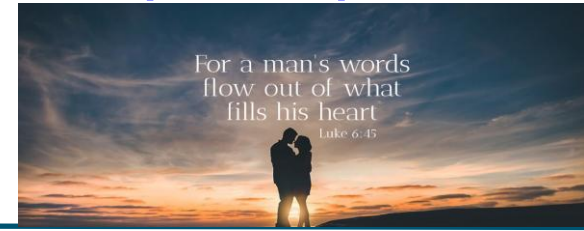
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**Radio 105.6 FM for Mass from SS John and Paul  
Webcam: <https://www.shannonparish.ie/web-cam/>**



**March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 - Temperance Sunday**

**Priest on duty this week: Fr. Tom Whelan**

**Our Prayers and Sympathies to: The McKeown family on the death of Kathleen McKeown, Tullyglass Hill. The De Lacy family on the death of Terri De Lacy, Allen Park. The McGee family on the death of Walter McGee, Tullyvarraga. The O'Keeffe family on the death of Noel O'Keeffe, Gleann na Smol. May they rest in peace.**

**Months Mind Mass for: Des Casey will be held Saturday March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church.**

**Months Mind Mass for: Alex McNamara will take place Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> SS John and Paul Church at 12pm.**

**Anniversaries: Billy Barkley, Bill and Catherine Carton, Eileen and Frank Clarke, Charlie Connolly, Mary Corry, deceased members of the England family, Jim O'Shea, May and Michael Phelan, Noreen Roche, Tom Ryan, Coley Scullion, Rose and Tommy Tambling, Ita White and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.**

**Prayer for Priests Group**

**There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayer next Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup> (Second Saturday of the Month) from 9:15am to 10:15am in the Adoration Chapel, Shannon. All are welcome to come together to pray for our Bishops, Priests and each other.**

**Last Sunday's Collection and Second Collection**

**Last Sunday's collection was €1,962. The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection in support of the Parish Faith Formation was €1,297. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.**

**Irish Blood Transfusion Service**



**The recent severe weather events, including Storm Éowyn, and high levels of respiratory illness within communities has significantly impacted blood collections and the public's help is needed to maintain blood supplies to Irish hospitals. You can donate in the Oakwood Hotel, Wednesday March 5<sup>th</sup> and Thursday March 6<sup>th</sup> from 4.00pm to 7.20pm. Book your appointment on 1800 222 111.**

**Venerable Matt Talbot Relics**

**This Monday at the 7.30pm Mass in Ennis Cathedral they welcome the Relics of Venerable Matt Talbot. The Order of the Knights of St Columbanus will be bringing the Relics as part of a nationwide tour of Cathedrals in this Centenary Year of his death.**

**Matt Talbot Novena**

**The Annual Matt Talbot Novena will return on Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Bishop Fintan Monahan will open the Novena. The Novena will include the blessing and distribution of ashes.**

**Ash Wednesday**



**This Wednesday, the 5<sup>th</sup> of March is Ash Wednesday. Blessing and distribution of Ashes will take place at 10am in Mary Immaculate Church and 7pm in SS John and Paul Church. There will also be a ceremony of the Distribution of Ashes at 1pm in the Adoration Chapel.**

**Lourdes Jubilee Pilgrimages 2025**



**Our Diocesan Pilgrimage led by Bishop Fintan will depart Shannon Airport on Wednesday, June 25<sup>th</sup> to Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup> (€955 pps includes full board). Our Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage takes place on Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> to Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> (€935 pps includes full board). To reserve a seat please contact Joe Walsh Tours, 89 Harcourt St., Dublin 2 (D02WY88). Telephone: 01 2410800 or email [joewalshstours.ie](mailto:joewalshstours.ie) for more details.**

**A limited number of assisted pilgrims will be accommodated on the June pilgrimage. €855 is the cost for this section. A medical declaration form must be completed and those interested in this section are asked to apply to Ms Mary Freeman, Pilgrimage Secretary, 087 9777896 or [marybfreeman@gmail.com](mailto:marybfreeman@gmail.com)**

**Sponsor a Sick Pilgrim**

**Each year some people sponsor a sick or assisted pilgrim to make their wish of travelling to Lourdes become a reality. The cost is € 855 per pilgrim. To sponsor or part sponsor a pilgrim please contact Fr. Tom Ryan Pilgrimage Director 087 2349816**

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord became my protector.  
He brought me out to a place of freedom;  
he saved me because he delighted in me.

## PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have  
failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us..... Amen.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

## 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 us, O Lord, we pray, that  
the course of our world may be  
directed by your peaceful rule  
and that your Church may rejoice,  
untroubled in her devotion.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,.....



## ✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

A reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus



## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Day of Prayer for Temperance)

2nd March 2025

What do we have to show for all the love God has shown us?  
Are our words full of bitterness or sweetness?

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so  
too the defects of a man appear in his talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a  
man is in his conversation.

The orchard where the tree grows is judged on  
the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words  
betray what he feels.

Do not praise a man before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 91:2-3.13-16

R. It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning and your  
truth in the watches of the night. (R)

2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R)

3. Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

A reading from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

When this perishable nature has put on  
imperishability, and when this mortal nature has  
put on immortality, then the words of scripture  
will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory.  
Death, where is your victory? Death, where is  
your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and  
sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank  
God for giving us the victory through our Lord  
Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never  
admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's  
work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you  
cannot be labouring in vain.

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 6:39-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one  
blind man guide another? Surely both will fall  
into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his  
teacher; the fully trained disciple will always  
be like his teacher. Why do you observe the  
splinter in your brother's eye and never notice  
the plank in your own? How can you say to your  
brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter  
that is in your eye, "when you cannot see the  
plank in your own eye first, and then you will see  
clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in  
your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten  
fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound  
fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit:  
people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather  
grapes from brambles. A good man draws what  
is good from the store of goodness in his heart;  
a bad man draws what is bad from the store of  
badness. For a man's words flow out of what  
fills his heart.'

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 ✠

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

O God, who provide gifts to be offered to  
your name and count our oblations as signs  
of our desire to serve you with devotion, we  
ask of your mercy that what you grant as the  
source of merit may also help us to attain  
merit's reward. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this  
Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will sing to the Lord who has been  
bountiful with me, sing psalms to the  
name of the Lord Most High.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by your saving gifts, we beseech  
your mercy, Lord, that  
by this same Sacrament  
with which you feed us  
in the present age, you  
may make us partakers  
of life eternal. Through  
Christ our Lord.



THE WORD  
IS VERY NEAR