



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: Trinity XVII ~ 12th October 2025

COLLECTS AND READINGS

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: Teach us to offer ourselves to your service, that here we may have your peace, and in the world to come may see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE FIRST READING: 2 KINGS 5:1-3,7-15

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy.' When the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.' But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel.' So Naaman came with his horses and chariots and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean.' But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean?' He turned and went away in a rage. But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"?' So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; he came and stood before him and said, 'Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant.'

PSALM 111

Alleluia. I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, ♦
in the company of the faithful and in the congregation.

The works of the Lord are great, ♦
sought out by all who delight in them.

His work is full of majesty and honour ♦
and his righteousness endures for ever.

He appointed a memorial for his marvellous deeds; ♦
the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.

He gave food to those who feared him; ♦
 he is ever mindful of his covenant.
 He showed his people the power of his works ♦
 in giving them the heritage of the nations.
 The works of his hands are truth and justice; ♦
 all his commandments are sure.
 They stand fast for ever and ever; ♦
 they are done in truth and equity.
 He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; ♦
 holy and awesome is his name.
 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have those who live by it; ♦
 his praise endures for ever.

THE EPISTLE READING: 2 TIMOTHY 2:8-15

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

THE GOSPEL: ST LUKE 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus* was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers* approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus'* feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our guide, you feed us with bread from heaven as you fed your people Israel. May we who have been inwardly nourished be ready to follow you all the days of our pilgrimage on earth, until we come to your kingdom in heaven. This we ask in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

HYMNS				
Saint Michael's	353	385	436	361
The Cathedral	104	587	211	

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SERVICES & EVENTS			
Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday October 12 th Trinity XVII	10.00	Morning Prayer	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Holy Communion	St Michael's
	11.15	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Monday October 13 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Tuesday October 14 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Wednesday October 15 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	1.15	Lunchtime Talk	
Thursday October 16 th	10.30	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
	8:00	Autumn Course	
Friday October 17 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday October 18 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday October 19 th Trinity XVIII	09.30	Holy Communion	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Morning Prayer	St Michael's
	11.15	Confirmation Service	The Cathedral

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

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

Cathedral Flowers: This week's Cathedral Flowers are in memory of Betty McGlone, given by her son David.

Confirmation 2025: Confirmation Service will be held next Sunday, 19th October in the Cathedral.

Sunday Club Announcement: As an encouragement to those from the parish who are being confirmed, Sunday Club members are asked to attend the Confirmation Service in Saint Mary's Cathedral Limerick on Sunday 19th October at 11.15 am.

Saint Michael's Sunday Club will take place on Sunday 12th October during the service.

Church of Ireland Marriage Council: The Marriage Council is holding a free webinar on the topic of Blended Families on Tuesday 21st October at 19:00. To register email

aisling.sheridan@rcbcoi.org

Cathedral Community Awards 2025: Nominations now open for Limerick residents who make a difference. Deadline: 30th November. Awards presented in February 2026. Forms from the Cathedral Office.

Mothers' Union Harvest Supper: on Tuesday 14th October at 7pm we will be holding our Annual Fundraising Harvest Supper in Richmond Terrace, Henry Street. The cost per person - €25. For more info contact Lucy 087 2078850.

Autumn Course: Please note the next session of the Autumn Course on the Creeds will take place in the Cathedral on Thursday 16th October at 8:00pm.

Food Donation Box: The clergy are appealing for donations of imperishable food items. Donations will support the work of Limerick Island Community Partners.

Commission on Ministry Advent Retreat 2025: The Commission on Ministry would like to invite you to an Advent Retreat, coming up on 28th-30th November. The closing date for bookings is next Friday, 17th October. Please see attachment for further details.

Chorister Recruitment: Limited spaces available for boys and girls aged 12–14 to join the Cathedral Choir. Email Peter Barley: organist@limerick.anglican.org.

Whist Drives 2025: Upcoming event dates include 8th November 2025, 13th December 2025, 10th January 2026, 7th February 2026, 7th March 2026 at 7:30pm.

Cycles of prayer: *Porvoo:* Church of England: Diocese of Truro, Church of Norway: Diocese of Tönsberg, Church of Sweden: Diocese of Strängnäs . *Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* The Church of the Province of Uganda

Remembrance Book: Edith Moorhead, garda Tony Golden, Daniel O’Connell, Nellie Maiden, Clement Sirr, Patrick O’Callaghan, Nell Maiden, James Quin, Ellie Eckhardt, Lindsay Abrahams, Stephen Knight, Anthony Foley, Florence Fogerty, Florence Patricia McCormack, Christina Mack

Prayers for the Sick: Terry Gibson, Martin Hogan, Jerry Murphy, Sarah B, Mary Alicia Downes, John Sparling, Patricia Bourke, David, Elayne and Hilary Noonan, Hazel, Mac, Dean Sandra Pragnell, Layla, Karine Egan, Uzoma Kabi. Lillian O’Connell, Kevin Sullivan, Alan Kennedy

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.

ROTAS

	12 th October	19 th October	26 th October
REFRESHMENTS			
St Michael’s	Margaret & Richard Brickenden	Gillian Cheatley	Richard & Sheila Allen
Cathedral	Alyson McHugh	Keith O’Neil	Karen Wilson & Evelyn Sloane
READERS			
St Michael’s	Keith Morrow	Margaret Schutz	Stephen Fairbrother
Cathedral	Muyiwa Okeneye	Paul Cable	Alan Bunworth
FLOWERS			
Cathedral	Memorial	H.Burrows	H.Burrows

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