



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe: Trinity XIII ~ 14th September 2025

COLLECTS AND READINGS

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: Help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

THE FIRST READING: EXODUS 32:7-14

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"' The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.' But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever."' And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

PSALM 51:1-11

Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness; ♦ according to the abundance of your compassion blot out my offences. Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness ♦ and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my faults ♦ and my sin is ever before me. Against you only have I sinned ♦ and done what is evil in your sight, So that you are justified in your sentence ♦ and righteous in your judgement. I have been wicked even from my birth, ♦ a sinner when my mother conceived me. Behold, you desire truth deep within me ♦ and shall make me understand wisdom in the depths of my heart. Purge me with hyssop and I shall be clean; ♦ wash me and I shall be whiter than snow. Make me hear of joy and gladness, ♦ that the bones you have broken may rejoice. Turn your face from my sins ♦ and blot out all my misdeeds. Make me a clean heart, O God, ♦ and renew a right spirit within me.

THE EPISTLE READING | TIMOTHY 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL: LUKE 15:1-10

Now all the tax-collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, ‘This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.’ So he told them this parable: ‘Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.” Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who need no repentance. ‘Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, “Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.” Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven. Let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

HYMNS					
Saint Michael's	358	638	444	592	660
The Cathedral	358	587	20		

Services are recorded and may be viewed online on www.churchservices.tv/limerickstmarys and www.saintmaryscathedral.ie within the following 90 days. After that time recordings will be destroyed; however, exceptions may apply and recordings could last longer if the Cathedral requires it. Occasional services may be recorded and will be advertised on www.churchservices.tv and www.saintmaryscathedral.ie other Cathedral communication channels. If you would like further information on a particular event, please contact the Cathedral office. If you do not wish to appear in the recording, please advise Churchwardens who will guide you to an area which will not be filmed and will make arrangements for you to receive Holy Communion there. NRSV (Anglicized Edition), copyright 1989, 1995 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America; Material in this service reproduced from BCP under licence © RCB 2004; One License Number: A738650; Use QR code to donate to Saint Mary's online.



SERVICES & EVENTS			
Date	Time	Event	Venue
Sunday September 14 th Trinity XIII	10.00	Morning Prayer	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Holy Communion	St Michael's
	11.15	Morning Prayer w Baptism	The Cathedral
Monday September 15 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Tuesday September 16 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	01.15	Lunchtime Concert	The Cathedral
Wednesday September 17 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Thursday September 18 th	10.30	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
Friday September 19 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday September 20 th	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday September 21 st Trinity XIV	15.00	Harvest	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Morning Prayer	St Michael's
	11.15	Holy Communion	The Cathedral

THIS WEEK'S NOTICES

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

Sympathy: We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the Heaton family on the passing of Una's sister, Geraldine. Please keep them in your prayers.

Accommodation Needed – Urgent: Carol Shirley is seeking safe, affordable accommodation in Limerick for her daughter starting university soon. Contact Carol at 087 2201571 or shirleycarol@hotmail.com.

Pray for Holy Land: Archbishops urge the parish and church community to join together in prayer and fasting on 21st September, the UN International Day of Peace.

Whist Drives 2025: The first Whist Drive at Saint Michael's Hall is on Saturday, 11th October.

Confirmation 2025: A Service of Confirmation will take place on Sunday 19th October in the Cathedral. Those wishing to be confirmed contact a member of the clergy at the earliest opportunity.

Harvest Decorations: Join us in decorating the Cathedral on Saturday 5th October for our Harvest Service on Sunday, 6th October. Donations of flowers, fruit, and vegetables are most welcome.

Culture Night Intercultural Walk – 19th September: Meet at Mary Immaculate College at 5:30 p.m. for a walk round various places of prayer in Limerick and finishing at Saint Mary's Cathedral with refreshments at 7:20 p.m.

Hospice Coffee Morning – 18th September: Hosted by Tracey Lyttle at Coonagh Sports and Social Club, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. In aid of Milford Hospice. All welcome – bring a friend!

Webinar: Domestic & Sexual Abuse Awareness Online training by ONUS on Wednesday, 1st October, 7:30–9:00 p.m., for Church of Ireland members. [Register here](#)

Save the Date – Multicultural Food Evening: Join us at Saint Mary's Cathedral on Thursday, 9th October for an evening celebrating food, culture, and community. This event is ticketed and costs

€10.00 for adults and children go free. If you would like to bring a dish please contact the Curate. To book your place email: curate@limerick.anglican.org

Church Giving: Support your parish through time, talents, prayers, or financial giving. Speak to the treasurer or clergy to learn more.

Pioneer Ministry Info Day – 27th September: Held at the Woodstock Hotel, Ennis, at 10:30 a.m. Representatives from each parish are encouraged to attend. Contact the Dean if interested.

Cycles of prayer: *Porvoo:* Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Ribe

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Anglican Church of South America

Remembrance Book: Roger Leeman, Stephen Roche, Mary O’Sullivan, Fredrick Sydney, The Rev’d Canon George Flynn, Elizabeth Mulcahy, Verna Hanna, Marie Rowley Brooke, Jonathan Shier, Donie Cahill

Prayers for the Sick: Terry Gibson, Martin Hogan, 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

	14 th September	21 st September	28 th September	5 th October
REFRESHMENTS				
St Michael’s	Keith & Sheelagh Morrow	John & Kayt Shier	Richard & Margaret Brickenden	Daire McNamara
Cathedral	Liz Lynam & Joe Lynam	Keith O’ Neil	Brian Sheppard	Lillian Okechukwu
READERS				
St Michael’s	Margaret Brickenden	Cormac O’Connell	Richard Allen	Daire McNamara
Cathedral	Lindsay Boyle	Sean Casey	Paul Cable	Tamasin Plowman
FLOWERS				
Cathedral	L.Boyle	L.Boyle	L.Boyle	H.Burrows

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