



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Saint Mary's, Saint Michael's and Ss John & Ailbe – Trinity Sunday II (Proper 6) 14th June 2026

COLLECT AND READINGS

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake.

THE FIRST READING EXODUS 19:2-8a

They had journeyed from Rephidim, entered the wilderness of Sinai, and camped in the wilderness; Israel camped there in front of the mountain. Then Moses went up to God; the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, 'Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the Israelites: You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession out of all the peoples. Indeed, the whole earth is mine, but you shall be for me a priestly kingdom and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the Israelites.' So Moses came, summoned the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord had commanded him. The people all answered as one: 'Everything that the Lord has spoken we will do.' Moses reported the words of the people to the Lord.

PSALM 100

- 1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth; ♦ serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know that the Lord is God; ♦ it is he that has made us and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; ♦ give thanks to him and bless his name.
- 4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting, ♦ and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

EPISTLE ROMANS 5:1-8

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

THE GOSPEL SAINT MATTHEW 9:35- 10:8

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.' Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment. Take no gold, or silver, or copper in your belts, no bag for your journey, or two tunics, or sandals, or a staff; for labourers deserve their food. Whatever town or village you enter, find out who in it is worthy, and stay there until you leave. As you enter the house, greet it. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. If anyone will not welcome you or

listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet as you leave that house or town. Truly I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah on the day of judgement than for that town. 'See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues; and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles. When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time; for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you. Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death; and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving Father, we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son. Sustain us with your Spirit, that we may serve you here on earth until our joy is complete in heaven, and we share in the eternal banquet with Jesus Christ our Lord.

HYMNS					
Saint Michael's	671	532	433	618	
The Cathedral	593	Hymn 2: See Insert	446		

Services are recorded and may be viewed online on <https://www.churchcamlive.ie/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 <https://www.churchcamlive.ie/limerickstmarys> 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 14 th June Trintiy II	10.00	Morning Prayer	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Holy Communion	Saint Michael's
	11.15	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Monday 15 th June	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Tuesday 16 th June	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	13.15	Lunchtime Concert	The Cathedral
Wednesday 17 th June	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
	13.15	Lunchtime Concert	The Cathedral
Thursday 18 th June	10.30	Holy Communion	The Cathedral
Friday 19 th June	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Saturday 20 th June	10.30	Morning Prayer	The Cathedral
Sunday 21 st June Trintiy III	11.30	Holy Communion followed by the Bring and Share Lunch	Ss John & Ailbe, Abington
	10.00	Morning Prayer	Saint 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).

Please Note: Items for inclusion in the newsletter must be submitted by 12 Noon each Wednesday for consideration of the Clergy. Items must be kept to 50 words or less. No photography is permitted during church services.

Sympathy: The Parish extends its sincere sympathy to Niamh Hourigan and her family and friends on the death of her uncle. We keep them all in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.

Abington Church Clean-Up: Thanks to everyone who took part in the clean-up at Abington Church on Saturday, 6th June. Your time, effort, and support are greatly appreciated.

Thank you! Thanks to John & Kayt Shier for donating a Hoover to Saint Michael's Church to replace the two missing Henry Hoovers. This very kind gesture is much appreciated.

Bring and Share Lunch: The annual Bring and Share Lunch at Abington will take place on Sunday, 21st June at 12.30pm, following the Holy Communion service at 11.00am. Everyone is warmly welcome to attend. Please see the parish poster for further details.

Friends of Saint Mary's Cathedral Outing: This year's Friends of Saint Mary's Cathedral outing will be to Inis Cealtra. Please note that members of the Friends of the Cathedral will be given first preference for places. Any remaining tickets will then be made available to others who wish to attend. The cost of the trip is €20 per person. Payment, together with your contact details and email address, should be sent as soon as possible to Noreen Ellerker or Lissy Roopa at the Cathedral Office. As numbers are limited due to boat capacity, early booking is advised.

Limerick City Parish Summer Craft Project: The Curate Assistant is seeking knitters, as well as anyone interested in learning to knit, to take part in a parish craft project during the summer months. If you would like to get involved or would like further information, please contact the Rev'd Scott E. Elliott at curate@limerick.anglican.org.

Cathedral Wildflower Garden: The clergy are seeking expressions of interest for donations of wildflower seeds/bulbs/herbs along with those interested in volunteering the rewilding of the garden. Please contact either the Dean or the Curate Assistant.

Age Friendly Ireland Initiative: A new initiative has been launched in Limerick by Age Friendly Ireland, inviting residents to say "thank you" to the people who make a positive difference in their lives. Congratulations and well done to Elizabeth Stanley for inspiring this wonderful initiative, which celebrates kindness, community spirit, and the everyday contributions that help make Limerick a more age-friendly place for all. Thank You cards are available at all church entrances.

King Donal Mór O'Brien Statue Fundraiser: Following the collapse of the King Donal Mór O'Brien statue on Saturday, 6th June, a GoFundMe campaign has been launched to assist with the commissioning of a replacement statue for the Cathedral grounds. Thank you to everyone who has already contributed. Those wishing to donate can do so via the following link: <https://gofund.me/bc80d7315>

Exam prayer: Heavenly Father, be with all students preparing for examinations. Grant them wisdom peace, and confidence, and help them to use well the gifts you have given them; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

"Choose Your Pot": Saint Michael's Church is planning to repaint the church and is seeking donations to assist with the associated expenses. Your support would be sincerely valued.

UDYC's Summer Programme: UDYC has a range of activities planned for children and young people throughout the summer holidays. Please see attached for further details.

Lunchtime Concerts: The Lunchtime Concerts are commencing back this week with concerts on Tuesday 16th June by Tara Quartet and Wednesday 17th June by Avrille en Choeur – Promoting French songs in Ireland. All welcome!

RSCM Music Sunday: Sunday 14th June is RSCM Music Sunday. It presents an opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate all those who make music and sing in cathedral and church choirs throughout the world. To mark this special day, at Saint Mary's the junior choir will be singing an anthem, in addition to the usual pieces sung by the cathedral choir.

Wanted for the Cathedral

- 3 new computer harddrives
- A New Bible for the Lectern.
- A Manual Emergency Lifting Chair

If you are interested in gifting any of these to the Cathedral (perhaps in memory of a loved one), please speak with the Dean.

Accommodation

- Abiola needs accommodation with budget between €450-550 (bill inclusive). Contact on 0899525219.

Cycles of prayer: *Porvoo:* Scottish Episcopal Church: Diocese of Argyll and the Isles, Church of Ireland: Diocese of Connor, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark: Diocese of Lolland-Falster. *Anglican Cycle of Prayer:* Church of the Province of South East Asia.

Prayers for the Sick: Irene Trousdell, Terry Gibson, Martin Hogan, Sarah B, Mary Alicia Downes, David, Elayne and Hilary Noonan, Hazel, Mac, Dean Sandra Pragnell, Layla, Karine Egan, Uzoma Kabi. Lillian O'Connell, Kevin Sullivan, Alan Kennedy, Noah Copley-Brown, Deirdre, Olwen, Paddy SIRR, Dick Blennerhassett, Stephanie Narramore

Remembrance Book: George Bannister, Derek Campbell, Henry Graham Ellerker, Sydney Howes, Anne Roberto, Det. Garda Calm Horkan, Frank Brislane, Fred Bond, Det. Garda Jerry McCabe, Austin Davern, Sylvia Gwyneth Moorhead, Rosaleen Sheahan, May Cullen, Mark Hacketthorn, C osta Melin, Margaret Gradys Walsh, Paschal O'Grady.

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 June	21 st June	28 th June	5 th July
Refreshments				
St Michael's	Gillian Cheatley	Trevor & Tracey Lyttle	Richard & Sheila Allen	Sheila Cusack
Cathedral	Alyson McHugh	Keith O'Neil	Karen Wilson & Evelyn Sloane	Liz Lynam & Joe Lynam
Readers				
St Michael's	Tracey Lyttle	Daire McNamara	Margaret Schutz	Stephen Fairbrother
Cathedral	Tamasin Plowman	M u y i w a O k e n e y e	Paul Cable	Noah Copley Brown

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