

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

For we have sinned against you.

Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

And grant us your salvation.

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

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 5: 1 - 7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Let me sing to my friend

the song of his love for his vineyard.

My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside.

He dug the soil, cleared it of stones,

and planted choice vines in it.

In the middle he built a tower,

he dug a press there too.

He expected it to yield grapes,

but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem

and men of Judah, I ask you to judge

between my vineyard and me.

What could I have done for my vineyard

that I have not done?

I expected it to yield grapes.

Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you

what I am going to do to my vineyard:

I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on,

and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on.

I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug;

overgrown by the briar and the thorn.

I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it.

Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts

is the House of Israel, and the men on

Judah that chosen plant.

He expected justice, but found bloodshed,

integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 79:9, 12-16, 19-20

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
It stretched out its branches to the sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. [R]

2. Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. [R]

3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. [R]

4. And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your name.
God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall
be saved. [R]

SECOND READING Philippians 4: 6 - 9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I choose you from the world to go out and bear fruit, fruit that will last, says the Lord. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 21: 33 - 43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced



Day for Life

The graces and gifts which God gives to us are both signs to us of his love and his care, and also his expectation that they will bear fruit in our lives.



I thank you, Lord, for the wonder of my being.



The gospel today depicts a lot of violence and downplaying of the value of life. The landowner like God is looking for the produce from his people and they want o to keep it for themselves and so murder anyone coming for it, including the son, a hint here

of what would happen Jesus.

Many lessons come out of this parable and for this Day for Life we can let it remind us of the value of life. All human life from natural beginning to end is sacred, the most precious gift of God. We know this deep down as we care for our own health and the health of our families. We know the value of life when we find carelessness in treatment of our sick, especially the elderly. We know this care for life in our care for the unborn. Our Day for Life reminds us of the value of every human life, created by God.

Today we recall the violence in our cities which has resulted in the brutal killing of many men and women, often in family situations. We try to support as best we can people, who in many ways support life, often in dangerous situations, like the Gardaí, social workers and our military in UN missions. As we think of the son being killed in the parable today we think of Jesus the Son of God killed in our name, and allow the life of the risen Lord keep us strong in our love for life and the valuing of all life.

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it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son" he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders

that became the keystone.

This was the Lord's doing

and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

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.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

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



Sunday Masses:

SS John & Paul (Webcam & Radio): Friday 7pm;
Saturday 6:30pm; Sunday 10am & 12:15 pm

Mary Immaculate Church - Saturday 12 noon;
Sunday 9 am and 11 am

Weekday Masses (Monday to Friday):

9:30 am Mary Immaculate Church
10 am & 7 pm SS John & Paul Church (Webcam)

SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sunday October 4th 2020 Dé Domhnach 4ú Deireadh Fómhair 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



We extend our Prayers & Sympathy:

To the family of John Kelly, Cronan Lawn who was buried this week.

Anniversary Celebrated This Week:

Frank McLaughlin, Aidan Keane, Tom Hession, Mary and John Keane and Deceased family members, Maeve O Neill, Frank Lee (1st Anniversary), Liam Hartigan, John Sheedy, Austin and Rory Collins, Annie and Jack Collins, Catherine Snead.

Month's Mind Mass for Gerry Keating, Ballycasey Manor will be celebrated next Saturday at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church.

Priests Autumn Collection & November Holy Souls Envelopes

The Priests' Autumn Collection will be taken up at all Mass on the weekend of October 23-25th. Envelopes for the Autumn Collection and the November Holy Souls will be distributed with the Shannon Diary on

the weekend of October 16th. There will be extra supplies of envelopes in the Church's and Parish Office.

'Covid-19: Reflections, Prayers, Poems' edited by Fr Arnie is available to purchase on amazon.co.uk or kindle. If you would like a print copy the parish office can order you a copy for €15 (including postage). Your welcome to contact us on 363243. All proceeds from the book will be donated to Clarecare, Shannon and Cleft and Lip Palate Unit, Temple Street Children's Hospital.

The month of October is very special in that we celebrate the charism of the Missions during this Mission Month. It's a time when in small ways we focus on the younger Christian parishes, and your support to the recent Mission Sunday Collection was a practical way we can assist. It's also a month when we conclude 'Season of Creation' where we focused on the blessings of the harvest, but also on what we can do in practical ways to care of the earth and the environment. There are great resources from catholicbishops.ie and trocaire.org offering prayer, and information on the reality of how we can care for the earth.

Resumption of Weekday Mass

On Monday October 5th the 9.30am Mass in Mary Immaculate will resume. The Mass will be celebrated from Monday to Friday. In the event of a funeral in Mary Immaculate Church, the morning Mass is cancelled, and the funeral will be for family only. In the event of a funeral in SS John and Paul Church, the morning Mass in Mary Immaculate will be celebrated.

The evening Mass at 7pm from Monday to Thursday will continue to be celebrated online, and the present Sunday Mass arrangements will remain in place. This schedule will take effect for the months of October, November, and December and will be guided by HSE and government protocols.

We are mindful of the importance of everyone staying safe. It's a challenging time for all, but with our collective efforts at social spacing, washing the hands, wearing the mask, we will not only be protecting ourselves, but many others. Let's continue to play our part in keeping each other safe. Let's support each other by looking out for those who live alone, or are vulnerable, and those in need.

May God continue to bless and protect us.