

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

## GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father::

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy**

Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

## 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, grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING Isaiah 53:10-11

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah**

The Lord has been pleased to crush his servant with suffering.

If he offers his life in atonement,  
he shall see his heirs, he shall have a long life and through him what the Lord wishes will be done.

His soul's anguish over  
he shall see the light and be content.  
By his sufferings shall my servant justify many, taking their faults on himself.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 32:4-5

**R. May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you.**

1. The word of the Lord is faithful  
and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right  
and fills the earth with his love. **[R]**

2. The Lord looks on those who revere  
him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. **[R]**

3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you. **[R]**

### SECOND READING Hebrews 4:14-16

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews**

Since in Jesus, the Son of God, we have the supreme high priest who has gone through to the highest heaven, we must never let go of the faith that we have professed. For it is not as if we had a high priest who was incapable of feeling our weaknesses with us; but we have one who has been tempted in every way that we are, though he is without sin. Let us be confident, then, in approaching the throne of grace, that we shall have mercy from him and find grace when we are in need of help.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Son of Man came to serve, and  
to give his life as a ransom for many.  
Alleluia!**



### GOSPEL Mark 10:35-45

(\*Shorter form 10: 42-45)

**A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Mark**

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, approached Jesus, 'Master,' they said to him, 'we want you to do us a favour.' He said to them, 'What is it you want me to do for you?' They said to him, 'Allow us to sit one at your right hand and the other at your left in your glory.' 'You do not know what you are asking' Jesus said to them. 'Can you drink the cup that I must drink, or be baptised with the baptism with which I must be baptised?' They replied, 'We can.' Jesus said to them, 'The cup that I must drink you shall drink, and with the baptism with which I must be baptised you shall be baptised, but as for seats at my right hand or my left, these

are not mine to grant; they belong to those to whom they have been allotted.'

When the other ten heard this they began to feel indignant with James and John, so \*Jesus called them to him and said to them 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.\*'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### NICENE CREED

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:*

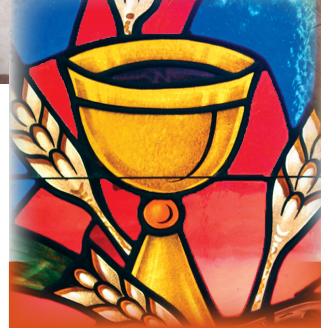
and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of 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

Grant us, Lord, we pray, a sincere  
respect for your gifts, that, through the  
purifying action of your grace, we may be  
cleansed by the very mysteries we serve.  
Through Christ our Lord.



# focus on sunday

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right and just.**

## SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## AFTER THE CONSECRATION

*The mystery of faith.*

**We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess  
your Resurrection until you come again.**

## INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, .....

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter  
under my roof, but only say the word and my  
soul shall be healed.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those  
who fear him, who hope in his merciful  
love, to rescue their souls from death, to  
keep them alive in famine.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that, benefiting from  
participation in heavenly things, we may be  
helped by what you give in this present age  
and prepared for the gifts that are eternal.

Through Christ our Lord.

## CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

May the peace of God,  
which surpasses all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

And may the blessing of almighty God,  
the Father, and the Son, ✠  
and the Holy Spirit,  
come down on you and  
remain with you for ever.  
**Amen.**

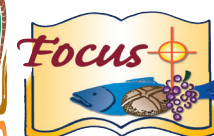
Go in peace,  
glorifying the Lord  
by your life.



**There is no point in pretending before God: he sees us exactly  
as we are. If we place ourselves honestly and humbly in his  
presence then our prayer will be heard.**



**"May your love be upon us,  
O Lord, as we place all our hope in you"**



We all know people who are ambitious and their ambitions for top jobs, money, and possessions take over. They would do much to be thought well of. Jesus challenges today the ambition of James and John to be at the top of the group of apostles, and he challenges the anger of the others at them.

Not all ambition is negative. Paul says in 1 Corinthians, 'be ambitious for the higher gifts', and he lists how to be ambitious for love.

Jesus himself was an ambitious man! He says, 'I have come to serve and not be served'. This is his ambition fitting in with the mission in life given him by his Father.

We can see this in all he did and all he suffered. He challenges James and John that the calling would be live as he did, 'to drink the cup he would drink'. To the others who were angry with them, Jesus gave the ambition for every follower of his, 'you must be the slave to all'.

This is a big part of the Christian life. Our faith leads us to the gospel of Jesus to hear his word and let that word fill us, and then to move us out in generous service of many. It is a vision of life well worth following, for the good of the world, and the good of Creation whose servants we are.

*Fr Donal Neary SJ (Editor Sacred Heart Messenger.)*

## Jesus' Story

*Fr. Liam Hickey*

Jesus came to serve everyone; you and me and everyone else. In doing so Jesus is urging us to always think of others and always try to help. We can show our faith in action in simple ways – helping someone across the road or helping with shopping or cutting the lawn.  
We, who believe in Jesus, may do these simple tasks with humility, a smile on our face and a little joy in our hearts.





### Sunday Masses:

**SS John & Paul (Webcam):** Friday 7pm;  
Saturday 6:30 pm; Sunday 10 am and 12:15 pm  
**Mary Immaculate Church - Saturday 12 noon;**  
Sunday 9 am and 11 am

### Weekday Masses:

10 am Mon-Fri Mary Immaculate  
7 pm Thursday SS John & Paul Church (Webcam)

## SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER

**Parish Office: 4, Dún na Ri, Shannon**  
**Tel 061 363243**

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays:** 9.30am - 12.30pm  
(lunch 12.30pm-1.30pm) 1.30pm - 5.30pm

**Thursdays:** 9.00am - 1.00pm

**Email:** [office@shannonparish.ie](mailto:office@shannonparish.ie) [www.shannonparish.ie](http://www.shannonparish.ie)

### Tune in and Follow us on:

**Radio 105.6 FM for Mass from SS John and Paul**  
**Webcam:** <https://www.shannonparish.ie/web-cam/>  
**f** [www.facebook.com/Shannon.Parish.Killaloe/](https://www.facebook.com/Shannon.Parish.Killaloe/)  
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## 1 7 O c t o b e r 2 0 2 1 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October: Month of Missions

**Our Prayers & Sympathy to:** To the family of Andrew Lees, Drumgeely Hill whose cremation took place last Sunday. To the family of Dermot Dunne, The Grove, who was buried on Saturday. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.

**Months Mind:** This Saturday Oct 16th for Michael Quinlan in Mary Immaculate Church at 12 noon.

**First Anniversaries:** This Saturday Oct 16th for Damien McDonnell in Mary Immaculate Church at 12 noon. Next Friday Oct 22nd for Michael Delaney at 7pm in SS John & Paul Church.

**Anniversaries:** Jim & Mary O'Dwyer, Gerry O'Dwyer, Paul McMahon, Conor Cullinan, Coleman & Maureen Cullinan, Jarlath Morahan, James McGirl, Joe Byrne, Breda O'Hanlon, Michael Walsh, Fr. Anthony Grue, Nancy Quinn, Johanna Murphy, Jimmy Kenny, Helen Downes and all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

**Last Sunday's Offerings:** €1,888. As always, thank you for your great generosity which is so much appreciated.

**Thank you for your wonderful support to the parish.**

As well as the usual way to donate to your parish you can also use our new method of using the QR code (here) which is also placed at the doors and shrines of our Church's, Adoration Chapel Notice Board, and Parish Office. It's another easy way for you to support your parish using your smart phone.



**Priests Autumn Collection** will be taken up on the weekend October 22-24th. Envelopes will be distributed to your homes and are available in the Church's and Parish Office. We thank you for your wonderful support.

**November Holy Souls Envelopes** will be distributed with the Autumn Priests Collection this week with extra envelopes available from the Church's and Parish Office. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

### **Mass and Baptismal Bookings:**

If you are intending to book a Mass or a baptism we would ask you book through the Parish Office. Book by emailing [office@shannonparish.ie](mailto:office@shannonparish.ie) or calling 363243.

### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Every Sunday in Mary Immaculate Church from 12noon-6pm and 2-6pm in SS John and Paul Church. With the current safety protocols in place adoration is for private prayer only. All are welcome to visit our Church's.

**Religious Gifts:** For all occasions are available from the Parish Office. If there is a particular religious item you are looking for we will source it for you.

**St. Conaire's NS Parent Association** are holding a 'Cash for Clobber' Collection at the GAA side of the school. Every Saturday from October 16th to December 4th from 10 am to 12 noon. We accept clothes, belts, towels, sheets, curtains and shoes. Thank you for your support.

**COVID-19 Protocols:** We ask all parishioners attending Mass, and Church ceremonies that the wearing of masks and sanitising of hands is mandatory. We are permitted to have 50% of Church capacity. We thank everyone for your co-operation and to the teams of stewards who assist you.

**Clare Suicide Bereavement Support:** Are you finding it difficult to cope with a death by suicide of a family member, relative or friend? It may help to talk to a Clare Suicide bereavement Support Volunteer. We offer confidential and free support to people who have experienced a death by suicide. Please phone or text 086 0565373 or 087 3698315. [www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com](http://www.claresuicidebereavementsupport.com)

**Searching Which Way to Go? 'Tell me what it is you plan to do with your one wild and precious life' – Mary Oliver** Why not join a 'SAMUEL GROUP' and meet like-minded and like-hearted people on a similar journey? SAMUEL is a group for young adults 20-35 years of age who want relationship with God to influence their life choices. Join us on Zoom, Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> 2021 at 7:15 pm. For more information and Zoom link contact Rita 086 3434448 or Marion 087 2688561 Samuel will run monthly from Nov 2021 to March 2022.

**Dear Parishioners, World Mission Sunday** is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. This year Mission Sunday will be celebrated on the 24<sup>th</sup> of October. Its theme '*We Cannot Remain Silent – We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard (Acts 4:20)*' is twofold. It is a message of hope – Jesus Christ is risen and we cannot keep his love, compassion, and mercy to ourselves. It also challenges us to stand up and speak out on behalf of those who are weaker. All too often, the voices that need to be heard are not the loudest.

Missio Ireland is the Holy Father's official charity for overseas mission. Through the kindness and generosity of the Irish faithful, they strive to help the Church to share the joy of the Gospel in some of the most remote corners of the world, primarily in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. To help build and maintain vibrant Christian communities, they raise spiritual and financial support for the vital work of missionaries who are living out their faith more fully through their charitable work and projects. Overseas missionaries fulfil much more than just the spiritual needs for some of the world's poorest people. They also provide practical and social support, offering struggling communities skills and tools to relieve poverty and injustice. Their needs vary greatly. This could be anything from a motorbike so a priest can celebrate Mass in a remote village, to a church or hall so local people can gather and celebrate their faith. More urgently, it could be medical supplies, food or education programmes.



We invite you to consider your missionary life in our parish, further afield overseas, and to visit [www.missio.ie](http://www.missio.ie) or speak with one of the parish team and learn about ways you can help build up the body of Christ. There are a variety of resources available to download on the website. There are many ways you can help: through prayer; offering of a mass; making a donation; bringing mission life to your school, college or workplace; supporting the Apostolic Workers in Shannon; supporting Rosie Byrne and the team with Goradiche and the Burren Chernobyl Project; or by becoming a volunteer or a missionary.

God Bless, Fr Arnie .

### Launch of Synodal Process in Killaloe and Universal Church

In these days, the Catholic Church throughout the world and in Ireland is beginning a series of conversations about what God wants of his people at this time. As you know these conversations are often referred to as a Synodal Process. This Sunday, 17th October we mark the opening of this Synodal Process entitled, **For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission**. This Synodal Process coincides with the start of the two-year Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland which will lead, in time, to a National Synodal Assembly in Ireland. A special ceremony to mark and launch the process will be held during the 11.30 Mass in Ennis Cathedral. You are welcome to join in person or via webcam or parish radio.

We pray that the next two years will be a time of prayer, listening and discernment, involving a consultative conversation. This will allow all people – both within the Church and in society at large, to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland – past, present and future – so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years. Pope Francis has asked us to pray continually for the success of this synodal process. He asks that we use the words of a very ancient prayer attributed to St. Isidore of Seville who lived in the 6th century. This prayer has been used at Synods of the Church since ancient times:

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.  
With You alone to guide us,  
make yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.  
We are weak and sinful;  
do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path  
nor partiality influence our actions.  
Let us find in You our unity  
so that we may journey together to eternal life  
and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.  
All this we ask of You,  
Who are at work in every place and time  
in the communion of the Father and the Son,  
forever and ever. Amen.*

For more on the Popes invitation to participate visit:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-10/pope-francis-discourse-moment-reflection-eve-inauguration-synod.html>