

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord became my protector.
He brought me out to a place of freedom;
he saved me because he delighted in me.

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

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

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation. The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels. Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God..

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 91:2.3.13-16

R. It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to make music to your name, O Most High,
to proclaim your love in the morning
and your truth in the watches of the night. (R)
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R)
3. Planted in the house of the Lord
they will flourish in the courts of our God,
still bearing fruit when they are old,
still full of sap, still green,
to proclaim that the Lord is just.
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R)

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:54-58

A reading from St. Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

When this perishable nature has put on im-perishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

The word of the Lord Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! You will shine in the world like bright stars because you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 6:39-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye. 'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.

The Gospel of the Lord Thanks be to God.

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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,



focus on sunday

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 27th February 2022

Day of Prayer for Temperance

What do we have to show for all the love God has shown us?
Are our words full of bitterness or sweetness?

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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who provide gifts to be
offered to your name and count our
oblations as signs of our desire to
serve you with devotion, we ask of
your mercy that what you grant as
the source of merit may also help
us to attain merit's reward. Through
Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection until
you come again.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by your saving gifts, we
beseech your mercy, Lord that by
this same Sacrament with which you
feed us in the present age, you may
make us partakers of life eternal.
Through Christ our Lord.



"A good man draws what is good..."



HOW SHOULD I PRAY? How do I know if I'm
praying right? There are many ways of prayer,
like the Rosary, stations, mass, and meditation.

We 'judge' our prayer on what is our life like? Is prayer helping
me be a good person? Is it producing 'good fruit' as Jesus hints
today? Am I increasing the store of goodness in my heart?

How do we nourish the source of goodness? We meet with
people who build us up. We pray from the heart. Not just rote
prayers but letting myself be myself with Jesus and God. We
can enjoy art, music, and good conversation.

Ask what event yesterday might have nourished goodness in the
heart? Did you play with a child or grandchild? Did you feel it did
someone good to meet you? Have a good laugh with someone,
or a good cry? Did you look after your body with nourishing
food? Did you care for the earth and give thanks for creation?
The grace of God nourishing our goodness comes in many and
varied ways.

Donal Neary SJ (Editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)



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 Streamed on Webcam:

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

SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER

Parish Office: 4, Dún na Ri, Shannon
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Tune in and Follow us on:

Radio 105.6 FM for Mass from SS John and Paul
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Parish App



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Temperance Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sympathies To the family of Sean Neylon, Inis Beag and Kilkee who died recently

Months Mind Mass This weekend at 12.15pm for Nancy Burke, and next Sunday March 6th at 12.15pm for Bob Stackpoole

First Anniversary Masses This weekend at 12.15pm for Tom Ryan.

Anniversaries: Liam Mason, Brendan Hughes, Michael Dillon, Theresa Hayes, Tommy and Rose Tambling, Ita White, Michael and Mae Phelan, Martin O Regan, Michael Coughlan

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.



Parish Tax Rebate Scheme: If you are part of the Tax Rebate Scheme where the parish benefits, you're new box of envelopes are available in the sacristy. If you're interested in being part of the scheme please contact the Parish Office for details.

New Parish Office Hours: From March 1st the Parish Office will open from Tuesday to Friday 10am to 1pm, and 2pm to 5pm. Office will close on Monday's. We ask that all bookings take place through the Office. Phone (061) 363243, email office@shannonparish.ie

Last Sundays collection: €1757 and Shrine/Sanctuary Donations 300. Mile Buíochas.

Second Collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend to support and train parish ministries as we journey into the future.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday to Friday 2-6pm in the Adoration Chapel, and Sunday from 2-6pm in SS John and Paul Church.

Women's World Day of Prayer will be celebrated on Sunday March 6th at 3pm in Mary Immaculate Church.

Online Lenten Meditation

Thursday at 8pm from SS John and Paul Church on the following links

www.shannonparish.ie/web-cam

www.facebook.com/Shannon.Parish.Killaloe/

Lent 2022

Masses on Ash Wednesday – Day of Fast and

Abstinence

10am Mary Immaculate Church
12.15pm and 7pm SS John and Paul Church
Blessed Ashes will be distributed at the daily Masses and 1pm in the Adoration Chapel (no Mass)

Daily Masses for Lent are 10am and 7pm

Lectio Divina (Reflection on the Sunday Gospels of Lent) will begin on Tuesday March 8th at 10.30am in Mary Immaculate Church

Trocaire Boxes will be available from Both Church's

Pope Francis, the Vicar of Christ in the Chair of St Peter, says that Lent is a time for believing, for welcoming God into our lives and allowing him to "make his dwelling" among us (cf. Jn 14:23). Lenten practices of fasting, almsgiving and prayer make it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith, living hope and effective charity, thereby sharing in Jesus' mission of the salvation of the world.

LENT | A Better Tomorrow

'The Lord's Prayer gives me courage, hope and strength in tough situations.'

(Thandekile)



Trócaire boxes for the Season of Lent will be distributed to our schools, and available from both Church's.

Trócaire's Lent 2022 resources for parishes can be found on this page <https://www.trocaire.org/our-work/working-in-ireland/parishes/lent-2022/>. These resources include Reflections on the Way of the Cross and religious education resources for children.

Trócaire are also hosting a series of workshops during Lent 2022 and you can find out more and sign up at <https://www.trocaire.org/our-work/working-in-ireland/parishes/lent-2022/>

If you would like more information on any of Trócaire's resources or Lent 2022 activities, please contact Colm Hogan at colm.hogan@trocaire.org

To find out more about Trócaire's work and how to get involved, volunteer, or for careers with Trócaire visit <https://www.trocaire.org/join-us/>

Synodal Pathway

At all Parish Masses this weekend we will be distributing the 3 questions for you to complete and return to the Church's and Parish Office before March 31st. The questionnaire is enclosed with this online newsletter. Play your part in shaping the Church into the future.

ASH WEDNESDAY 2ND MARCH A DAY OF FASTING FOR PEACE

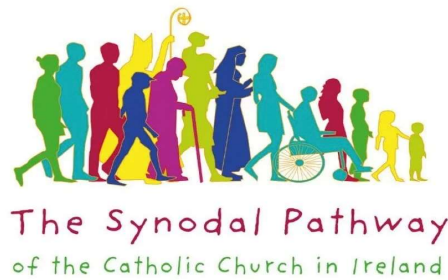


I invite everyone to make this coming 2nd March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace: let believers dedicate themselves intensively to prayer and fasting. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war.
- Pope Francis

@catholicbishops

Pray for Peace

Keep the good and noble people of Ukraine in your prayers at this tragic time in their history. There are many families fleeing and sheltering from evil and aggression. If you have friends and neighbours from Ukraine show them your solidarity. We pray the leaders of the world will stand up and confront unjust aggressive, evil actions.



Shannon Parish

Dear Parishioner/Friend,

Greetings from Shannon Parish. We are writing because Pope Francis wants to hear from you about what is happening in your local parish. He would like to know what you think we should all be doing to make our parish much better. He has proposed what is called a 'Synodal Pathway' meaning 'Journeying Together' where we listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying to us to discern the path we are called to walk together.

There are 3 themes proposed for this task the Pope calls on us to undertake:

- 1) Communion – Where conversations lead to an active participation in the mission of Christ in our Parish.
- 2) Participation – All of us listen to each other about questions that matter.
- 3) Mission – This communion has a common purpose.

The conversations and upcoming Synod are intended to inspire us to dream about the Church and Parish we are called to be, to learn from each other and restore each of us to common mission in Christ.

In this endeavour there are 3 questions we would like you (individually) and others (groups) if possible, to reflect on and respond to on the page overleaf. Your response will be part of the overall feedback which will be forwarded to Rome. You are welcome to submit additional information on the 3 questions. Your privacy is important to us, so we ask you not to put your name down on the questionnaire.

You may return your questionnaire to the box at the entrance to our Church's, to the Parish Office, or email office@shannonparish.ie before March 31st. The questionnaire will also be posted on our website www.shannonparish.ie www.killaloediocese.ie and www.facebook.com/Shannon.Parish.Killaloe/

Thank you for playing your part. We look forward to hearing from you.

Fr Arnold

Question 1 – Communion

How might we work to build a more inclusive Church?

Question 2 – Participation

How can we listen better to the different voices in our Parish? Are there other important voices on the periphery? Who are these voices and how can we include them?

Question 3 – Mission

How can we as a Parish do more to reach out? How can we empower parishioners to use their gifts so we can be a more energetic Church in the world?

Please tick your age category

20-35 _____ 35-45 _____ 45-55 _____ 55-65 _____ 65+ _____