



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

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October 30th 2022 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sympathies: To the O'Shea family on the death of Ray O'Shea, Tradaree Court who was buried on Wednesday. To Geraldine Kirby on the death of her mother Frances Shaughnessy. To the Carroll family, Aidan Park and Riverstown, Birr on the death of Mary Carroll who was buried on Wednesday. To the McNulty family on the death of Eugene McNulty, Tullyvarraga Crescent who died this week. May the Risen Lord welcome them to Heaven.

Month's Mind Mass: For Peggy Long will be held this Saturday 29th of October at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church. For Tomoko Hourston will be celebrated next Sunday 6th of November at 12.15pm in SS John and Paul Church.

Anniversaries: Peter Geraghty, Mary Hickey, Patricia Collins, John, Noreen, Gerard and Brendan Roche. Betty Brennan, Margaret Moroney, Patrick Cantillon, and Denis and Susan Chambers.

Apostolic Workers

Apostolic Workers will sell crochet blankets and knitted articles in Shannon Town Centre on Friday November 4th from 10.30am to 2.30pm

Feast of All Saints and All Souls November 1st and 2nd

Parish Masses are at 10am in Mary Immaculate and 7pm November Novena in SS John and Paul Church. Please note November 1st is a Holy Day of obligation.

Last Sunday's Collection

Last Sunday's collection was €1,925. Mission Sunday was €2,735. As always thank you for your great generosity

November Holy Souls Envelopes

Please return your envelope with list of deceased to the Churches and Parish Office. Our upcoming November Novena is in honour of the Holy Souls which begins this Saturday 29th of October at 6.30pm to November 6th (Cemetery Sunday). Blessing of graves on November 6th will take place at 2pm in Lemenagh Cemetery, 3pm in Illaunmanagh Cemetery, 3.45 at the Columbarium Wall in the Crematorium.

Annual Killaloe Diocesan In-Service



The Priests of the diocese will be on annual diocesan in-service in Loughrea from Sunday evening November 6th to Wednesday lunch time November 9th. The following are the pastoral arrangements for Shannon

There will be 10am Mass in Mary Immaculate Church as usual.

There will be NO funerals scheduled during these days. In the event of a funeral(s) they will be celebrated from Thursday November 10th onward. Parish Office will open as normal (Tue-Fri 10-1pm; 2-5pm)

Wolfe Tones Monthly Music Sessions

Club na Sionna will host its monthly session of music and song in Wolfe Tones GAA Hall on Wed 2nd November at 9pm. All singers, musicians and listeners are welcome. Special guests on the night are "The Nobody's".

Muse Productions – 'Our House Musical'

Local drama group Muse Productions are running their next show, the musical 'Our House' featuring the music of 1980s band 'Madness' from Wednesday 2nd to Saturday 5th November at St. Patricks Comprehensive School, Shannon at 8pm.

NOVEMBER NOVENA 2022

'Blessed are those who bring HOPE'

October 29th - November 6th (Cemetery Sunday)

9 CONSECUTIVE DAYS in SS John and Paul and Mary Immaculate Church, Shannon, Co. Clare

Weekend Sessions on the Saturday Vigil at 6.30pm, and Sunday Masses at 9am, 10am, 11am, and 12.15pm.

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Weekday Sessions at the 7pm Mass Monday to Friday in SS John and Paul Church.

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Masses of Healing and Anointing on Friday November 4th at 12 noon in **Mary Immaculate Church** and 7pm in **SS John and Paul Church**.

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Prayer Requests and Petitions for the Novena can be forwarded to
Fr Arnold Rosney, Novena Director,
SS John and Paul Presbytery,
4, Dun na Ri, Shannon, County Clare
or to office@shannonparish.ie

All are welcome and do bring a friend to this Novena. We will also have a religious shop to give you the opportunity to purchase religious items/Christmas Mass bouquets etc. It's a great way to begin the Month of the Holy Souls.

OUR SPEAKERS

Fr Gerard Moloney C.Ss.R.

Saturday 29th at 6.30pm & All Sunday Masses

A native of Doon, Co. Limerick, Gerard Moloney C.Ss.R. was editor of Reality Magazine and Director of Redemptorist Communications for many years. He is currently a member of the Redemptorist community in Limerick city. He has had many years of leading Novena's and Retreats and is a wonderful communicator.

James Sexton - Monday 31st October at 7pm

A native of Shannon Parish and well known by so many. James started his working career in De Beer's and then branched out to the entertainment world where he became a professional DJ and entertainer. He founded the HIYA events company which specialises in corporate events. He also writes TV shows and he created the popular 'Ireland's Fittest Family' which is broadcast on RTE in addition to 7 other nations for the past 10 years. He is a member of the TV club, and the international Emmy's where he has been a judge.

Bishop Fintan Monahan - Tuesday Nov 1st, Feast of All Saints at 7pm

Appointed Bishop of Killaloe in 2016, Bishop Fintan has endeared himself to so many since his arrival into the diocese. In addition to his responsibilities Bishop Fintan has a vast array of interests, which include running with the Clare Crusaders, golf, reading and writing. He has produced publications on St. John Henry Newman in which he has a special interest. Bishop Fintan is well known for his creative and imaginative productions of a spiritual nature on his YouTube, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram feeds.

Amanda Grace - Wednesday November 2nd, Feast of All Souls at 7pm

Amanda Grace is an artist, teacher and life coach. A trained psychotherapist, facilitator and spiritual guide, Amanda works intimately with women to assist them with their inner lives so they can live the life stories they want to tell. Amanda is also the daughter of Ireland's much loved entertainer Brendan Grace and lives with her mother Eileen, husband Terry and various animals in Killaloe, Co. Clare. Amanda's most popular offering is her 5 day Creative Freedom Bootcamp, which she offers at certain times throughout the year.

Sr Helen Culhane - Thursday November 3rd at 7pm

A native of County Limerick and a Sister of Mercy. Helen trained as a social worker and worked for 13 years in the area of Child Protection/Abuse and Child Psychiatry. She then moved to Milford Care Centre where as Senior Social Worker she established a group support and programme for bereaved children. In 2009 she founded the Children's Grief Centre which is a free support service for children and young people who have experienced a loss through bereavement, separation, or divorce which has supported over 1,500 children to date. She was awarded Limerick Person of the Year in 2017.

Fr Pat O'Neill

Friday November 4th at 12 noon and 7pm, Masses of Healing/Anointing
Ordained a priest for the Diocese of Killaloe, Fr Pat has a wonderful gift of connecting and communicating. He has served in parishes for all of his ministry and brought many close to God. Fr Pat takes a practical approach to ministry. His interests include antique cars and mechanical work. Fr Pat will lead us in 2 Masses of Healing and Anointing at 12 noon in Mary Immaculate and 7pm at SS John and Paul Church.

Pradeep Ramnath

Saturday 5th November at 6.30pm, Sunday 6th at 9 and 10am Masses
Pradeep was born in Kerala, India into the Hindu tradition where he grew up and qualified as a toolmaker. He came to Shannon in 2001. Pradeep will speak about his life, what gives him hope, following from the recent Diwali Festival of Light which is a sacred celebration for Hinduism.

Roseanna Ruane - Sunday November 6th at 11am and 12.15pm Masses
Roseanna is a native of Athenry, Co. Galway and is mother to Saoirse Ruane who appeared on the Late Late Toy Show in 2020. Over the past number of years, Roseanna, together with her husband Ollie and daughters Saoirse and Farrah Rose, have experienced the pain of coping with Saoirse's childhood cancer. Roseanna will share her story, explaining how her faith gave her hope and courage during this difficult time.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

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

You came to call sinners:

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

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:

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 and merciful God, by whose gift your faithful offer you right and praiseworthy service, grant, we pray, that we may hasten without stumbling to receive the things you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Wisdom 11:22 - 12:2**A reading from the book of Wisdom*

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you?

You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 144:1-2.8-11.13-14*

R. I will bless your name for ever,

O God my King.

1. I will give you glory, O God my King,

I will bless your name for ever.

I will bless you day after day

and praise your name for ever.

[R]

2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures.

[R]

3. All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God.

[R]

4. The Lord is faithful in all his words
and loving in all his deeds.
The Lord supports all who fall
and raises all who are bowed down.

[R]

SECOND READING *2 Thessalonians 1:11 - 2:2**A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians*

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Luke 19: 1- 10**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.*

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening: 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house,' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.'

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.**



THIRTY - FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30th October 2022

God loves everything he creates; nothing he makes is evil. Similarly he loves and befriends each of his people and the gospel story is of Jesus' friendship with a man whom everyone else looked down on.

**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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May these sacrificial offerings, O Lord,
become for you a pure oblation, and for
us a holy outpouring of your mercy.
Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**You will show me the path of life, the
fullness of joy in your presence, O
Lord.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the working of your power, O Lord,
increase in us, we pray, so that, renewed
by these heavenly Sacraments, we
may be prepared by your gift for
receiving what they promise.
Through Christ our Lord.

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Today's gospel gives a good insight into acceptance, repentance, and conversion. Zacchaeus used his position to overcharge tax and pocket the proceeds from the Romans. Everyone knew it was happening but, as in many cases of greed, nobody could do anything! By the grace he received from Jesus; he knew he could change. So, he confessed his wrongdoing, in public. He went further by saying he would make amends by paying back what he defrauded – what we would call restitution. He followed this with a sign that he had changed his mind and heart – he would give away property to the poor.

We sometimes wait for an apology and restitution in cases where people, especially the poor, have been affected by greed and often criminal use of financial resources. We await a new way of proceeding with our banks and other financial institutions. Too often, in the modern world, long legal cases are necessary before ordinary people get what is due to them. In our everyday lives, an apology can often be followed by a gift or some sign, more than words, of sorrow.

When Zacchaeus "saw what kind of man Jesus was" he also saw clearly what kind of man he was himself. Jesus granted him the grace to see the need for change and the strength and courage to repent and to change. The life of Jesus appeals to the best in us as he appealed to the best in Zacchaeus, both to confess our wrongdoing and make it up to those we have wronged.

Lord, forgive us and help us forgive, or pray, for those who have harmed us.

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