



### 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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## January 15th 2023 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Our Prayers and Sympathies to:** The Crowley family on the death of Olive Crowley. Marian O'Meara on the death of Bridie Carroll. To the Dennehy family on the death of Jack Dennehy.

**Month's Mind Masses:** For Delia Howe will be held this Saturday January 14th at 12 noon in Mary Immaculate Church. For Pat Mellett will be celebrated January 21st at 12 noon in Mary Immaculate Church. For Aoife Johnston will take place January 21st at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church. For David Tyler will be held January 21st at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church. For Ann Burke will be held January 22nd at 11am in Mary Immaculate Church. For Michael Moloney will be held January 22nd at 11pm in Mary Immaculate Church.

**First Anniversary Mass:** For Marie Kelly will take place this Saturday 14th of January at 6.30pm in SS John and Paul Church.

**Anniversaries:** Myrtle Lagan, Billy Lagan and Jim Lagan, Noel Courtney, Nancy Dowling, Martin Collins, Mary O'Carroll, Jimmy Cosgrove and deceased family members. We also pray for special intentions.

### Wearing of Masks to Mass

We are mindful of the huge number of people who have Covid or flu like symptoms and we want to ensure that you feel safe coming to Mass. In that context we would encourage you to wear a mask to Mass.

## FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

### First Holy Communion Preparation Masses

Saturday January 21st for St. Aidans at 6.30pm.  
Sunday January 22nd for St. Conaire's at 10am.  
Sunday January 22nd for St. Tola's, St. Senan's and St. John's at 11am

### Confirmation Preparation Masses

Saturday January 28th for St. Aidans at 6.30pm.  
Sunday January 29th for St. Conaire's at 10am.  
Sunday January 29th for St. Tola's, St. Senan's and St. John's at 11am.



### First Confession Dates:

Monday January 23rd for St. Aidans at 7pm.  
Tuesday January 24th for St. Tola's, St. John's and St. Senan's at 7pm.  
Wednesday January 25th for St. Conaire's at 7pm.

### Daily Masses Monday to Friday

Mary Immaculate Church 10am.  
SS John and Paul Church Thursday 7pm.

### Sunday Masses

SS John and Paul Church Friday 7pm, Saturday 6.30pm, Sunday 10am, and 12.15pm.  
Mary Immaculate Church Saturday 12noon, Sunday 9am, and 11am.

## Last Sunday's Collection

Thank you for supporting the Priest's Christmas Collection. Your donation is still welcome. Last Sunday's collection was €2,943 and Holy Day Collection was €600.



### Medjugorje Pilgrimages direct from Shannon – 2023

Shannon Airport to Medjugorje – From 24th to 31st of May is €745 and 13th to 20th September is €765 per person sharing. Price increases to €795 and €815 after 31st January 2023. Bookings now being taken for this 7 night Group Pilgrimage with Kathleen & Jimmy Morris. Full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages Medjugorje Team. Included are the following:

- Shannon direct to Mostar-Medjugorje – Only a 30 minute transfer from Airport to the Shrine;
- 7 nights air-conditioned accommodation near to St. James' Church;
- Freshly prepared breakfast and dinner each day;
- Luxury coach transfers accompanied by local guide;
- Full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages;
- Assistance of Marian Pilgrimages rep. with 24hr support throughout your stay;
- Travel Insurance up to 84 years of age;
- All airport and local taxes. For more information on joining the group, please contact Kathleen & Jimmy Morris at 061 362657 or 086 3271657



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

## PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life:

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

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:

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

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:

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

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

## THE GLORIA

Glorify 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 govern all things, both in heaven and on earth,  
mercifully hear the pleading of your people and  
bestow your peace on our times.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING Isaiah 49: 3. 5-6

## A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel,  
in whom I shall be glorified';

I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord,

my God was my strength.

And now the Lord has spoken,

he who formed me in the womb to be his servant,

to bring Jacob back to him,

to gather Israel to him:

'It is not enough for you to be my servant,  
to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the  
survivors of Israel;

I will make you the light of the nations  
so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the  
earth.

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 39: 2.4 7-10

**R. Here I am, Lord!**

**I come to do your will.**

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord

and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.  
He put a new song into my mouth,  
praise of our God. **[R]**

2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,  
but an open ear.  
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.

Instead, here am I. **[R]**

3. In the scroll of the book it stands written  
that I should do your will.  
My God, I delight in your law  
in the depth of my heart. **[R]**

4. Your justice I have proclaimed  
in the great assembly.  
My lips I have not sealed;  
you know it, O Lord. **[R]**

## SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

A reading from the 1st letter of St. Paul's to the Corinthians

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together  
with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church  
of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ,  
who are called to take their place among all the saints  
everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he  
is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived  
among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to  
become children of God. Alleluia!

## GOSPEL John 1:29-34

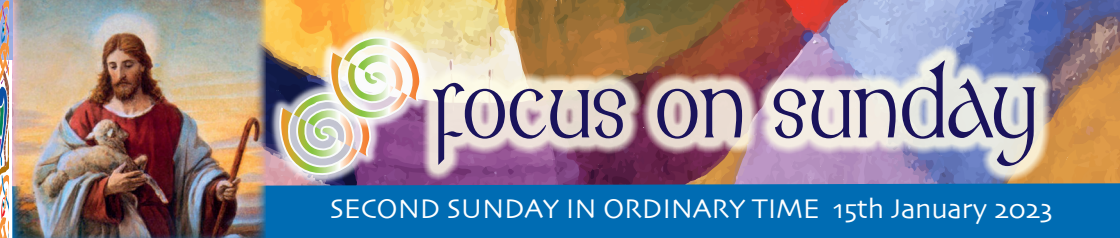
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look,  
there is the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the  
world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man  
is coming after me who ranks before me because he  
existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet  
it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with  
water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming  
down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on  
him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me  
to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on  
whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the  
one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit."  
Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the  
Chosen One of God.'

**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.



The Christian life is a calling from God to be companions of  
Jesus and work for the spread of his love and justice. All of  
us are asked to do this in our own lives.

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

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that  
we may participate worthily in  
these mysteries, for whenever  
the memorial of this sacrifice  
is celebrated the work of our  
redemption is accomplished.  
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.**

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**We have come to know and to  
believe in the love that God has  
for us.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of  
your love, and in your kindness  
make those you have nourished  
by this one heavenly Bread one in  
mind and heart.  
Through Christ our Lord.



In the Gospel today John identifies Jesus as the  
"Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world".

This is a very different sort of leader than people were  
expecting. Not a great king but a sacrificial lamb. The

one who would put his people before everything even his own life.  
He is baptised by John with water as a sign of his humanity. John  
testifies to Jesus' power to baptise with the Holy Spirit as a sign of  
his divinity. True God and True Man. The servant of both.

The Greek word for sin used in the New Testament is hamartia.  
It is a technical term from archery meaning to miss the mark. In  
this sense it can cover both wilful wrongdoing and the occasional  
shortcomings we are all guilty of. The failure to love each other as  
we should, to accord every life the dignity and respect it deserves.

As always, for Christians following the path of Jesus, the path of  
hope and redemption, has its challenges. Are we "lambos of God"  
who will put others first? Do we strive to see the dignity in other  
people? To raise them up? Do we welcome the displaced and offer  
comfort to the marginalised?

This week maybe think about the times we fell short or were wide of  
the mark. Take the time to forgive someone who hurt us and to seek  
forgiveness from someone we have hurt.