



Sunday Masses (Webcam):

SS John & Paul Church : Saturday 6:30 pm.

Sunday 12 noon.

Mary Immaculate Church : Sunday 10:30 am

Daily Masses (Webcam):

Mary Immaculate Church : Tuesday - Friday 10 am

Saturday : 11 am

SS John & Paul Church : Monday 7 pm

Friday 7 pm

SHANNON PARISH NEWSLETTER

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August 17th, 2025 **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Priest on duty this week: Fr. Michael Geraghty

Weekend Anniversaries



Saturday August 16th

11am: Bernard Quirke
6.30pm Rita O'Brien (MM)
Bridget Mackell

Sunday August 17th

10.30am: Mary Considine (1st A)
Tom and Helen Downes
Breda Moran
12 noon: Rosaleen Cassidy
Michael McAllen
Ailish Morrison
Martin Purtill
Annie Wall

Saturday August 23rd

6.30pm Mary (Bonny) Gallagher (MM)
John Gaffney
Sally Marren

Sunday August 24th

10.30am: Joan McKey (MM)
12 noon: Joseph Austin
Daniel Phelan

Also remembering: Francie and Brendan Cassidy, Joseph Fleming, Frank Gleeson and Seamus Shanahan.

Our Prayers and Sympathies to: The McNamara family on the death of Sean McNamara, Cluain Airne. The Sweeney family, on the death of Laurence Sweeney, Coill Mhara. Paddy Brady, Cluain Airne on the death of his brother, Terence (Terry) Brady, Palm Beach, Florida. The Chambers family on the death of Bill Chambers, Cooraclare. Rita Costelloe, Ard na Greine, on the death of her sister Pauline Culligan, Kilkee. May they rest in eternal peace.



Church Collection - August 23rd and 24th

Burren Chernobyl Project, the charity that works with Gorodishche Orphanage will be holding a church gate collection next weekend at both churches in our parish. Your kind support for this very worthy cause would be very much appreciated.

Seniors Information Event

Carrigoran House Day Centre are hosting a Senior Citizens Information Event on Friday, August 22nd from 1pm to 6pm at Carrigoran Health and Wellness Day Centre in Newmarket on Fergus. The aim of this event is to help our Senior Citizen Community, and their families answer any questions they may have in relation to finances, homecare packages, Nursing Home applications, Fair Deal applications and other resources that would benefit them. This is a free entry event and all are welcome.

Last Sunday's Collection

Last Sunday's collection was €1,815. As ever, we thank you for your continued support and great generosity.

Sanctuary Lamp



Sanctuary lamps lasting four months in our Churches for special intentions are available for €25. Donations can be left into the Sacristy or Parish office with your intentions list. Donors intentions this week are for Michael McAllen R.I.P. and Denise Hayes R.I.P.

Car Park Renovations Appeal



A huge word of thanks to all who have donated so far to the car park renovations appeal. The total donations received so far is €3,035. If you would like to donate to this appeal, please drop your envelope into the Parish Office or the weekly basket.

Dúchas na Sionna

Dúchas na Sionna cordially invite you to an Open Heritage Day on Sunday August 24th between 2pm and 4.30pm at Hastings Farmhouse, Shannon. Bí ann gan teip míle fáilte!

Bunratty Castle and Folk Park



From August 16th to August 24th Bunratty Castle and Folk Park celebrate National Heritage Week 2025 with rare breed displays, artisan crafts, and engaging talks. The Rare Breeds event on Sunday August 17th will feature indigenous animals, traditional crafts, and the creation of a willow coracle. From August 16th to August 21st, you can drop into daily willow weaving workshops and make your own keepsake (additional fee applies).

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield;
and look on the face of your anointed
one; one day within your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the
love of God, and the communion of the Holy
Spirit be with you all. **And with your spirit.**

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

O God, who have prepared for those who
love you good things which no eye can see,
fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of
your love, so that, loving you in all things
and above all things, we may attain your
promises, which surpass every human
desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The word of Christ will often make demands of honesty
and truth; our stand for him will sometimes bring us into
opposition with others.

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✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Jeremiah 38:4-6. 8-10

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 39:2-4.18

R. Lord, come to my aid!

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
he heard my cry. (R)
2. He drew me from the deadly pit,
from the miry clay.
He set my feet upon a rock
and made my footsteps firm. (R)
3. He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God.
Many shall see and fear
and shall trust in the Lord. (R)
4. As for me, wretched and poor,
the Lord thinks of me.
You are my rescuer, my help,
O God, do not delay. (R)

SECOND READING Hebrews 12:1-4

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shamefulness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne.

Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Open our heart, O Lord, to accept
the words of your Son. Alleluia!**

GOSPEL Luke 12:49 - 53

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'
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

Receive our oblation, O Lord, by which is
brought about a glorious exchange, that,
by offering what you have given, we may
merit to receive your very self.

Through Christ our Lord.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**With the Lord there is mercy;
in him is plentiful redemption.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Made partakers of Christ through these
Sacraments, we humbly implore your mercy,
Lord, that, conformed to his image on earth,
we may merit also to be his coheirs in
heaven. Who lives and reigns for ever and
ever.