



### 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 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025 Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **Weekend Anniversaries**



#### Saturday August 30<sup>th</sup>

**11am:** Madeline O'Brien  
Laura Webb

**6.30pm** Bernard and Rose Kennedy

#### Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup>

**10.30am:** Nancy McKenna (1<sup>st</sup> A)  
Vivienne Carr (1<sup>st</sup> A)  
Jim Mangan

**12 noon:** Catherine Collier (1<sup>st</sup> A)  
Peter Doyle  
May Delaney

#### Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup>

**6.30pm:** John O'Byrne  
John McGarry, Winniford McGarry,  
Gerry McGarry, Margaret Dwyer and  
John Dwyer

#### Sunday September 7<sup>th</sup>

**10.30am:** Breda Nolan

**12 noon:** Mary O'Neill (MM)  
David McGettrick  
Philomena Carey

### Priest on duty this week: Fr. Michael Geraghty

Our Prayers and Sympathies to: The McKenna family on the death of Aidan McKenna, Shanagarry, Cork and Shannon. The Quinlan family on the death of Nuala Quinlan, Ballycasey Close. Mary Carey on the death of her sister Breda Brennan, Adare.

May they rest in eternal peace.

### Last Sunday's Collection

Last Sunday's collection was €1,587. 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.

### Second Collection August 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>

There will be a second collection this weekend at all Masses to support the Killaloe sick and retired priests' collection. This fund enables Bishop Fintan to take care of our senior priests who have given a lifetime of service to parishioners in the diocese. We thank you for supporting this fund.

### Leaving Cert! The results are out

We are proud of each and every one of our students in Shannon and of their individual achievements and we pray God's blessings on them as they discern their future.

### Club na Sionna

Club na Sionna will host a session of music and song in Wolfe Tones GAA on Wed 3rd September at 9pm with special guests The Sixmilebridge Folk Club. All welcome.

### Shannon Active Retirement

The next meeting for Shannon Active Retirement will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> of September at 11am in the Conservatory of the Oakwood Hotel. This is a week earlier than usual as the Oakwood is not available on the 10th. Finger food will be served at this meeting, and music will be provided by Mike O'Loughlin.



### Pilgrimage to Inis Meáin

A one-day pilgrimage to Inis Meáin, the middle of the Aran islands, is being organized for Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September, repeating again on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September. The pilgrimage will visit ancient monastic and historic sites with pauses for prayer and reflection along the way. The pilgrimage itself is free apart from travel costs by ferry or plane to the island. Group size is limited to 10 per trip. For further information please contact Denis Bates by email at [dfdebath@yahoo.com](mailto:dfdebath@yahoo.com)

"Seek not to understand that you may believe, but believe that you may understand" St. Augustine.

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

## GREETING

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

## PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and prince of peace:

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

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary:

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

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father:

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

May almighty God have mercy on us....

## 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

God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

## ✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

### FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 3.17-20.28-29

*A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus*

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver.

The greater you are, the more you should



## TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The love of the gospel is for everyone; Christ's call is that his followers be open hearted to as many as possible, especially the poor.  
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behave humbly,

and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream. *The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 67:4-7.10-11

**R. In your goodness, O God,  
You prepared a home for the poor.**

1. The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. **(R)**
2. Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. **(R)**
3. You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. **(R)**

### SECOND READING Hebrews 12:18-19. 22-24.

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.*

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'firstborn son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

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

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart. Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL Luke 14:1.7-14.

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.*

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

*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 ✠

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacred offering, O Lord, confer on us always the blessing of salvation, that what it celebrates in mystery it may accomplish in power. 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

*The mystery of faith.*

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

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**How great is the goodness, Lord,  
that you keep for those who fear you.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed by this bread from the heavenly table, we beseech you, Lord, that, being the food of charity, it may confirm our hearts and stir us to serve you in our neighbour. Through Christ our Lord.