



Season of Creation

# St. Augustine's Church Limerick 8th September 2024 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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## Mass Times

Monday-Friday

7.30am, 8.30am,  
10.15am, & 4pm

SATURDAY

8.30am, 10.15am  
3pm Mass of the Sick

SUNDAY

9.00am, 11.15am  
& 7.30pm

CONFESSIONS

MONDAY & FRIDAY

10.45am-12 Noon  
3.00pm-4.00pm

SATURDAY

10.45am-12noon  
2.30pm-4pm

We — Sabine Schratz, Sean Goan and Kieran O'Mahony — are delighted to announce a pilgrimage to Turkey to mark the 17th centenary of the Council of Nicaea (325).

NB: all bookings etc. to be made directly with GTI.

### Inspiration

Next year is a Holy Year, under the banner "Pilgrims of Hope". It is also the centenary year of the Council of Nicaea (325). That Council proposed the Nicene Creed — still part of the shared inheritance of all Christian churches. To mark both the Holy Year and the Council of Nicaea, the Dominican Lumen Centre and the Tarsus Scripture School have come together to plan a visit to Nicaea (Iznik today) and Constantinople (Istanbul). In fact, we will be visiting three of the four places where early church councils were held: Nicaea (325), Constantinople (381) and Chalcedon (451).

### Plans

The trip will offer a combination of pilgrimage and history, bringing together prayer, talks and visits to places of significance. It will take in the main Christian monuments in Istanbul, such as Hagia Sophia and Hagia Eirene, as well as some of the great mosques and the wonderful Archaeological Museum, in the grounds of the Topkapi Palace. Two days will be devoted to visiting Nicaea itself.

### Reserving your place

We've been working fruitfully with GTI Travel (Donabate). For all enquiries re booking etc., go to <https://gtitravel.ie>. The programme is described in detail on [tarsus.ie](http://tarsus.ie), with hyperlinks there for each place we visit. That dedicated webpage will be gradually enriched to include further background material to make the visit even more enjoyable for us all.

**NB: for all booking and practical enquiries, please contact GTI directly.**



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# Pointers for Prayer

1. The healing of the deaf mute provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the importance of communication in our lives. The healing touch of Jesus brought the man from isolation into community. Who have been the people who touched you when you felt isolated and alone and helped you to come out of painful aloneness? For whom have you done this?
2. Deafness is symbolic of being unable to hear what is being said to us. What a difference when our ears are opened! Perhaps you can recall a time when your ears were opened and you heard in a new way that you were loved — by God or by another person.
3. Words are not the only form of communication. Actions can speak louder than words. Recall times when this was brought home to you.
4. Being able to say what is in you is the other side of communication. Perhaps there have been occasions when you have struggled to find words to express what is deepest in you—your faith, your values, your love. Then something changed and you found the words. What was it like to be able to express your deepest self ?

**PRAYER** Open our ears to your redeeming word and move our hearts by the strength of your love, so that our every word and work may proclaim as Messiah, Jesus the Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen. Source: [www.tarsus.ie/readings /Hearers of the Word](http://www.tarsus.ie/readings/Hearers%20of%20the%20Word).

*Bewley's* **BIG**  
**COFFEE**  
*September*  
*26th* **MORNING**  
*St. Augustine's Church*

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**FOR HOSPICE**

## Season of Creation - Reflection

O Creator God, in this month of creation time, teach us to see your footprints in the beauty of creation. Help us to listen to the voice of creation, inspire us to respect the rights of all people, and all living species to share in your gifts today and to be always mindful of those who come after us.

Lord, on this Sunday – day of rest and recreation - we give thanks for the faith we celebrate in your Son, the Risen Jesus Christ, who has inspired us to gather in thanksgiving and praise.

Source: Liturgy resources season of creation-23

## Culture Night

Limerick Culture Night 2024 will take place this year on Friday 20th September with venues and public spaces across Limerick opening their doors to host a programme of free night entertainment as part of an all-island celebration of arts, heritage and culture. Culture Night is always great fun and offers the perfect opportunity for us as a region to showcase the wealth of culture that Limerick has to offer.

More info [www.discoverlimerick.ie](http://www.discoverlimerick.ie)

## Dominican Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine Sunday October 13th 2024

Tickets available from the Parish Office.

## Garden Picnic Aria Evening

The People's Museum, Pery Square, Limerick  
Saturday 14th September at 7.00pm

An evening of operatic arias performed  
in the Blue Room

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