



Confessions in Cathedral every Saturday:
12 to 1pm & also before and after 6.30pm Mass

Ennis Parish News

Mass Times

Sundays:

Cathedral:- Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday: 9am, 10.30am & 12 noon
Mass in Polish each Sunday at 3pm
St. Joseph's:- Sat. Vigil: 7pm; Sunday: 8, 10, 11.30am
Cloughleigh Church:- 9.30am, 11am
Friary:- Sat. Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday: 9.30, 10.30, 12.00 noon
Poor Clare Monastery:- 7.45 a.m.

Weekdays:

Cathedral: Mon. – Fri: 7.45am; 10am & 7.30pm; 10am on Saturday
St. Joseph's:- Monday – Saturday: 11am
Cloughleigh Church:- Monday – Friday: 9.30am
Friary:- Daily: 10am & 1.05pm; 10am on Saturday
Poor Clare Monastery:- Daily at 7.45 am

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St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715;
Friary: 6828751
Ennis Parish Web Site at: <http://www.ennisparish.com>

Third Sunday of Easter (Year C)

18th April, 2010

A Thought for Springtime

I have worked in the fertile earth
and planted a Garden
so I know what *Faith* is.

I have listened to the Birds caroling
in the early morning and at dusk
so I know what *Music* is.

I have seen the morning without
clouds after showers
so I know what *Beauty* is.

I have seen the miracle of Spring
the fruition of Summer and the
beauty of Autumn followed
by the repose of Winter
so I know what *Life* is.

Andbecause I have perceived
all of these things
I know what *God* is.





What's on this week?



Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 18th April, 2010

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Fergal O'Neill ☎065 68 24043


Wednesday Duty:

Fr. John McGovern ☎065 68 22166

Sympathy & Prayers




Our thoughts and prayers are with the Polish Community in Ennis, as you mourn the tragic death of your President Lech Kaczynski, his wife Maria, and so many important leaders of your country in the plane crash of last weekend.

Bus to Clonfert on Wed April 21st. Bus leaving St. Joseph's Church at 9.20am; fare: €15; ☎ Maura 6825739; bring packed lunch. 

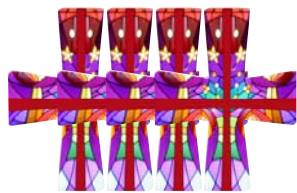
If you have concerns about someone's drinking or drug use, please come to a concerned persons information and support group on Tuesday evenings at Clarecare room 13, Harmony Row, Ennis. Free and informal. Tea/Coffee served; Ellen O'Neal, M.Ed., M.I.A.A.C., M.I.A.C.P.; Cocaine Initiative - Continuing Care Counsellor; Bushypark; ☎065-6840944; 065-6862049 (Direct Line); FAX: 065-6840450; Website: www.bushypark.ie

Mass at 7.45am from Monday to Friday in the Cathedral

Your American Ancestors: At the Clare Roots society meeting on Thurs, April 22nd, Californian, Jim McNamara will speak about US genealogical records and how best to use them. Jim has been coming here to research his family since 1999, and is a Family History newsletter editor in America. The talk takes place in the Civic Rooms at Waterpark House, Ennis at 8pm. All are welcome. 

An Boithrin GAA Club is back training on Tue & Thurs from 7-8pm at the C.B.S. pitch.

Mass With A Difference



Our theme this month:

"The Joy of the Risen Christ"

As we continue to celebrate Eastertide may we, like the first disciples, come to experience the presence of the Risen Christ in each other. You are invited to celebrate that presence of the Risen Christ in a joyful celebration of the Eucharist in St. Joseph's Church. If this experience of Eucharist has been good for you, tell others and invite them to come, especially those who find going to Church difficult.

Venue: St. Joseph's Church

Date: Sunday 25th April

Time: 6.30pm

Celebrant: Fr. Jerry Carey

Coach to Knock on Sat 1st May. Coach will leave from outside St. Joseph's Hospital at 9am. There will be a second short stop outside Holy Family School Those who wish to join the Christian Life Sodality Group on this pilgrimage will be very welcome. Contact Sr. Benedict ☎ 6842399 or any Sodality Member. 

'April Hath put a Spirit of Youth in Everything'

- William Shakespeare: On April 23 & 24, in Cois na hAbhna Cultural Centre, Gort Rd, Clare Youth Theatre will perform their new works, 'Searching for Shakespeare' and 'Roses in Winter'. Devised totally by the cast of over 30 young members from original scenarios by director Eleanor Feely, the shows start at 8.30pm. Tickets are €10 & €5 from Cois na hAbhna ☎ 065 6824276. Audiences are welcome to discuss all aspects of the productions post performance. Both shows contain original music played live by members of the cast. Clare Youth Theatre is an initiative of the Clare Co. Arts office; 6899091; Email: arts@clarelibrary.ie Web: www.clarelibrary.ie/arts.htm 



7k walk in Quin Sun May 9th @ 12noon in aid of Hospice Ginga, Uganda. Voluntary contribution on registration at Quin Hall. Contact Helen Clune on 086 8807875

Blood donor Clinic in West County Hotel Mon 19 to Thurs 22 April inclusive, 6-9pm 

Ennis Flower & Garden Club will meet in The West County Hotel on Tues 20th April at 8.15pm sharp. Look forward to a very enlightening garden talk. Plants will be raffled. €10 non-members. All welcome. Doors open 7.30pm. 



Bingo in Community Centre on Sunday night at 8.30pm. All welcome.

Pilgrimages' 2010

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Bishop Walsh will lead the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes on June 26th for 5 days. There are five places for sick people in the hospitality section of the pilgrimage still available, where the care of Doctors and Nurses will be available to care for the sick. The cost of this section is only €552 and a medical application form which is necessary, is available from the Pilgrimage Director, Fr. Tom Ryan Shannon at (061) 364133. Booking forms for the Ordinary section €685 are also available. The Autumn Pilgrimage is from 27th Sept to 2nd October.

Time for Body & Soul
LOUGH DERG 3-day Ennis Parish Pilgrimage to Lough Derg, takes place from Mon August 2nd to Wed August 4th. Booking & details from Parish Office 6824043. www.loughderg.org

Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Poland visiting Warsaw, Czestochowa and Krakow. Following in the footsteps of St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe and Pope John Paul 2nd; From 6th Oct for 9 nights. Spiritual director: Fr. John Walsh; Group leader & details from Kathleen Hayes, Ballycar Road, Newmarket-on-Fergus; ☎061 368549 or 087 830 8393 1161 euro

Fatima 2010: Pilgrimage 24th May ex Cork (no flight from Shannon) Aer Lingus Direct; 7 days; price: €714 (insurance €25 extra if required. Private coach transfer to and from Ennis/Limerick at no extra cost. Spiritual director: Fr. John Walsh. ☎ Kathleen Hayes 061 368549.

Ennis Padre Pio Group, 05 Sep; Rome, San Giovanni & the Adriatic 10 Nights, various hotels, half board. Spiritual Director ; Fr Tom Hogan. Includes full itinerary of excursions ☎ Máire Coll at 086 8804603

Couples Workshop: Are you and your partner finding it difficult to get along or to communicate with each other? Is your relationship worth 2 hours per week? In this 6 week-workshop (2 hrs per week) you will: reach a deeper understanding of each other, learn more effective communication & problem solving skills, be rewarded with a happier, more fulfilling relationship! Starting Wednesday 28th April 2010 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm €240 per couple (incl. 2 free follow-up sessions & tea/coffee) For more information & to book please contact: Presenters: Heike Grajek-Griffin, Counsellor, NCII. 086 26 345 12 Ellen O'Neal, B.A., M.Ed., M.I.A.C.P., M.I.A.A.C. Counsellor. 087 31 997 71 Limited spaces so book early! Un-refundable booking deposit of €30 per couple.

A Mosaic Workshop will be held at Ballyalla, Ennis over 2 consecutive Saturdays- May 15th & 22nd, 10am-5pm & 10am-1pm. All materials & lunch included in fee of €110. Places are limited; deposit of €50 required to secure a place; ☎ Clare @ 087-2389521 or e-mail; clare.c.carroll@gmail.com.

West Clare Kidney Support Group in Association with the Clare Branch of the Irish Kidney Association 10th Annual 10km kidney walk 2010 on Sunday 2nd May. From Kilrush to Cooraclare. Sponsorship cards available. Contact Peggy 0879849004.

Ennis Parish Development Fund
for Sunday, 11th April, €9,420.50



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: PJ & Eileen O'Loughlin, 14 Kevin Barry Ave.
 Sun 8am: Rodger Mulcaire, St. Senan's Rd.
 10am: Jack & Rose Spring, 22St. Senan's Rd.
 11.30am: Gerard Lane, 9 The Crescent, Lifford.
 Mon 11am: Jack Owens, Kincora Pk. & Dec'd Family.
 Tue 11am: Michael & Mary Ryan, 10 St Senan's Rd
 Wed 11am: Patrick & Agnes Keane, Limerick Rd.
 7.30pm: **Padre Pio**
 Thurs 11am: Gerard Hartnett, Tulla Rd.
 Fri 11am: Kitty & Sheila Glynn, Lifford Rd.
 Sat 11am: Kevin Murray, 36 St Flannans Tce.
 7pm: Bernadette Kelly, Clonroadmore.
 Sun 25th 8am: Reidy & Kelly family, Coolmeen.
 10am: Bill Turner, 29 the Green.
 11.30am: Michael Larkin, Cusack Rd.

A Service of Readings & Communion

St. Joseph's Church Monday to Friday 8am.
Everybody welcome.

Padre Pio Mass monthly gathering with Mass 7.30pm on Wednesday 21st April. All welcome as we pray the intercession of St Pio.



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 11am: Jim/Seamus McNamara, Kilkishen & London.
 1.30pm: Mass for the Travelling Community.
 Mon 9.30am: Easter Triduum Intentions.
 Tues 9.30am: Deceased members McNamara Family.
 Sun 25th 9.30am: William & Maureen Kenny, Drumbiggle Rd.
 11am: John & Bridie Murray, Mullagh.

Are you the parent of a child in care of the HSE?

Clare Advocacy, a service that supports parents with children in care of the HSE, is delivering: **MY CHILD, MY ROLE ? A programme for parents with children in care.** Topics will include: **Living through a changed relationship with your child - Self care.** This programme will run for 4 Thursdays: **April 29th May 6th 20th 27th 2010** For information please contact Clare Advocacy Service, Clarecare 065 - 6828178

CLARECARE Prism Parent Support Programme: Prism, is a 12 week peer support programme for single parents and step-parents who are dealing with unresolved grief due to loss through Death, Desertion, Separation or Divorce. Dates: 12th May, -16th June (Wednesdays only) 15th Sept -20th Oct (6 weeks) (6 weeks) Venue: Clarecare, Harmony Row, Ennis. Time 7 pm-9pm Min. 8 persons Cost €2 per night **INTRODUCTORY NIGHT ON 28th APRIL** If you would like to participate in this programme & receive application forms or find out more about it, please contact: Gina Norris at 065 68 28178 or mobile 086 8348699 or email: gnormis@clarecare.ie All application forms for this programme must be completed and returned by 23rd APRIL 2010.

Co. Clare VEC's Back to Education Initiative (BTEI) are proposing to offer FETAC Level 5 courses in Sport & Recreation, Healthcare and Tourism as well as a Preparation for Leaving Certificate programme for Adults. These courses are free to Social Welfare recipients, Medical Card Holders and anyone who has not completed their Leaving Certificate. For further information contact the BTEI office on 065-6843633 or btei@clarevec.ie

2FM's Infamous Knob Nation in association with Eire Óg GAA at Queen's Hotel Sat 24th April 8.30pm. Tickets €25 available at reception. Good fun all round.

Live The Word:

Sunday: April 18th
 Jn: 10:27-30
 You have a path to follow in life, let your heart guide you. Sow the seeds of what you want to have happen in your life. There is a grand plan for you, so be willing to follow it. Trust in life.

Spring Fair at Carrigan House this Sun 18th April at 1pm. Bar-B-Q, Pet Dog Show- Stalls - Music- Children's Play Area- Vintage Cars- Wild Bird Display - Archery and much more. - All The Fun of the Fair. Further details ☎ 061 36811.

Climb for Life - CF

Saturday May 1st on Croagh Patrick, (Mayo); Starts 10am Rosary at Our Lady's Grotto at base; Mass on top of the Mountain; To increase awareness of the life of the unborn from conception; unique, individual and unrepeatable. ☎0876311381 or e mail hilarymacbride@yahoo.co.uk It is hoped to raise €4million to improve lives and facilities for **Cystic Fibrosis Sufferers** in this region, and the Irish Professional Photographers Association (IPPA) have kindly nominated CF as their charity this year. On 17th & 18th April in the Woodstock Hotel, professional photographer Mary McCullough will be hosting "Happy Faces", a fundraiser on behalf of Cystic Fibrosis. For a minimum donation of €25 you will get a professional service & a small desk size portrait. Competition categories for the photos with finalists being printed in the Clare Champion. Info & booking advisable with Mary on 086-2239495. Please support. Thank you. www.cfireland.ie or Martin/ Grainne in CF House on 01-4962433 www.irishphotographers.com or Mary McCullough 086-2239495 chairperson of Happy Faces Committee. Marcella Clancy - TLC4CF (Tipperary, Limerick, Clare for Cystic Fibrosis), Kilnaboy, Co. Clare 086-8390942.

GOSPEL RISING, is the first national gospel festival in Ireland and is being hosted in Ennis by the Ennis Gospel Choir from 7th-9th May. Information at www.gospelrising.com

Newly Baptised

We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: **Luke James Warren; Zuzanna Joanna Mruk; Atlanta Naomi Quinn; Amie Leigh Murphy Dolan; Danny James O'Sullivan;**

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat:6.30 Decd membs of Callaghan & Quinn families
 Sun.:9am Joseph Keating, Connolly.
 10.30am Sheila Fitzgerald, Westfields.
 Bridget & P.J. Callinan, Dromelihy, Cree.
 Christy & Breda Carpenter & dec'd family late Hermitage Rd.
 John Kennedy, Clonlara.
 Jimmy & Mary Arthur, Golflinks Rd.
 Elizabeth & Denis Neylon, Bank Place.
 12 noon Enid O'Loughlin, 70 Corrovorrin Grove.
 Mon:7.45am Thomas Devitt, Inagh.
 10am Mary & Joseph Halpin, Upper O'Connell Street.
 7.30pm Mary Harkus (nee Coffey), 56 Hermitage.
 Tues.:7.45am Michael & Delia Broderick, 45 Parnell St.
 10am Cullinan Family, Árd na Gréine.
 7.30pm Denis & Josephine Rice, Circular Road.
 Malone Family, Francis Street.
 Wed.:7.45am Mary Ellen McInerney, Doora.
 10am Tommy & Mary Kenny & decd family, Corofin.
 7.30pm Sr. Marie Stephens, Convent of Mercy, & her parents Mary Bridget & Albert, Clonroad.
 Thurs.:7.45am Nancy Boland, Inagh.
 10am Tom, Lil & Brendan Neylon, Market Street.
 3.00pm Margaret McCarthy, Commarket St. **1st Anniv**
 7.30pm Veronica Fenton, Árd na Gréine.
 Fri.:7.45am Mass for the people.
 10am Rita Kenny, 102 Hermitage.
 7.30pm Donors Intentions.
 Sat.:10am Decd membs of Neylon Family, Market St.
 6.30pm Michael Coote, Market Street. **1st Anniv.**
 Sun.:9am Tom Linnane, Kerry.
 10.30am Christopher Keane, 49 Fergus Park.
 12 noon Mass for People.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 25th April 2010

Readers: Group 3
 Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 2
 Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Rest in Peace

Kalcha Musial, Poland, sister of Magadena; **Mary Agnes Tierney**, Green Road, Portlaoise, sister of Claire Brodie, Gallow's Hill; **Lanna McNamara**, Carrigalholt, mother of Mairead McNamara, Mid Western Hospital, Ennis; **Teresa Bolton**, Scariff & Unit 4, St. Josephs, mother of Mary Hynes, St. Josephs; **Mary (Mae) Miniter**, 15 Kincora Park; **P.J. Meaney**, Cranny, father of Deirdre McGrath Loughville & brother of Eileen, Francis St., & Stephen, Green Pk.; **Ann Cunningham**, Kilrush, mother of Dennis, Elm Pk.;

Date for Diary

- ◆ Pastoral Council 27th April, Chapter room 8pm.
- ◆ Blessing of Expectant Parents, Thurs 6th May 8pm
- ◆ Special Summer blessing for Pre-schools May 22nd 12noon.

Rallying Together

March 15th to May 2nd - Supporting 4 Clare Charities
Clare Haven; Cuan an Chláir (Ennis Daycare Centre); Clare Crusaders; Home Share Clare. Candles at €5 blessed by Bishop Walsh; available in parish office; Special Mass for Intentions at 12noon on Sun 2nd May; Celebrant: Bishop Walsh.
Liam Lawton Concert: Wednesday 21st April at 8pm (doors open 7.30) in SS. Peter & Pauls Cathedral. Tickets €26 from Glór and on the night. Liam Lawton with Edel O'Brien and Special Guests. All proceeds to Rallying Together Charities.



Today's Scripture Readings With Inclusive Language



First Reading:

Acts 5:27-32.40-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. We gave you a formal warning, he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to people; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging him on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, Restored me to life from those who sink into the grave **R**

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R**

The Lord listened and had pity. The Lord came to my help. For me you have changed my mourning into dancing O Lord my God, I will thank you forever. **R**

Second Reading:

Apocalypse 5:11-14

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation - everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ has risen: he who created all things,
and has granted his mercy to us.
Alleluia!*

Gospel:

John 21:1-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord

