



# Ennis Parish News

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

## 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

### Phone Numbers:

Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: info@ennisparish.com

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21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

22nd August, 2010

## *The last shall be first*

A little girl attending a sporting event said to her mother 'I want to go to the front to see'. In other words, she wanted to be part of the event.

That sentiment resonates with our aspirations to be part of and up front with the goings on in life – be it in the social field, or those who are emotionally or physically handicapped or discriminated against because of race or colour. It can be downgrading, unfair and deeply humiliating not to be recognised for their place in society and church.

It must be acknowledged that many of those who achieve success in business are to be credited with creativity, hard work and ambition. The quest for recognition has become a major factor in the lives of our younger generation, especially in the field of sport and other outdoor activities. The rank and file of the populous live by very ordinary standards. But sadly, there are the less fortunate who fall victim to ill fortune and strive to keep the 'wolf from the door'.

One has to wonder to what stratum Christ is referring; obviously to those who are on the margins, the non achievers and silent majority. Those who tag along patiently conscious of their inability to achieve

high places and live with their inadequacies. They are the first in God's sight.

The church provides a place for all, saints and sinners, achievers and failures but recognising one another as equals at the table of the Lord. ***"It is not those who say Lord, Lord will enter the Kingdom of Heaven, but those who do God's will"***.



***"It is not dishonourable to be poor because it is richness in God's sight"*** - Mother Theresa.

### Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 22nd August, 2010  
Priest on Duty:  
Please ring 065 6824043



### Heritage Week

New dates for lectures

at Michael Cusack Centre, Carron

Mon 23rd August @ 7.30pm "Castles fallin' and Dunghills risin'". A view of 19th century vernacular building in Clare" by Dick Cronin;  
Wed 25th August @ 7.30pm "Bio-Diversity and the five senses", by Shane Casey;  
Admission is free to both events. Directions to centre are posted on [www.michaelcusack.ie](http://www.michaelcusack.ie) or phone: 065-7089944

### Genealogy Day

Come along to 'Genealogy Day' at DeValera Library, Ennis on Tue 24th August and pick up tips, hints and ideas to get you started on the journey to knowing your heritage. Throughout the day, four introductory talks will be delivered on tracing family tree in Clare. It runs from 11.00am till 4.00pm. Entry is free and all are welcome; Tel. 065 6899090. [www.clarelibrary.ie](http://www.clarelibrary.ie)

### Storytelling Event

De Valera Public Library, Harmony Row, Ennis. Storytelling with Billy Teare and Kathleen O'Sullivan on Thurs 26th August, at 8.00 pm. A free event for adults and families to mark Heritage Week. It is a mix of traditional stories and songs, plus poetry. Tel. 065 6899090. [www.clarelibrary.ie](http://www.clarelibrary.ie)

Vote for the Cliffs of Moher in the new 7 Wonders of Nature! Visit

[www.cliffsofmoher.ie/new7wonders.aspx](http://www.cliffsofmoher.ie/new7wonders.aspx)

### Corrovorrin Graveyard:

On this Sun 22nd @ 11.00am, Clare Roots Society have arranged a walk through Corrovorrin Graveyard and the Old Ursuline Convent with commentary on some notable gravestones. All are welcome

### Clare Arch & Hist Society -

final outing on Sun, August 22. Entitled "Reading the Landscape: Features of interest in Barefield parish". Ringforts, a cillin or children's burial ground, a recent find of bones dating from the 11th century and ancient religious sites and features from a number of townlands. Meeting outside May Considine's Bar, Barefield at 2pm. Appropriate footwear and wet gear advised. Contact: 087-9165916.



Sr. Gabrielle, Poor Clare Convent and Maureen Saunders, Apostolic Workers, putting the finishing touches to the vestments for the ordination of our new Bishop, Kieran on Sunday next 29th August in the Cathedral

### Cooking for College! Brain food on a budget. Learn to Cook!!!



Plan your nutrition. Manage your money. Dates: Fri Aug 27th 6 pm-9pm; Sat & Sun Aug 28th & 29th 10.00am- 4.00pm both days at St. Flannan's College. Contact: Nora (086) 3160240.



*Do you, or someone you care about, need help and support with your substance misuse?* If so, there is a weekly

support group available in Ennis. If you want more information or have questions, 'Ellen O'Neal, Continuing Care Coordinator, Bushypark Treatment Centre (a Clarecare service) at 065-6840944.

### A Prayer for our new Bishop Kieran Gracious God,

**You sent your only Son amongst us so that we may come to know you.**

**Guide Kieran our Bishop,**

**to act justly**

**to love tenderly and**

**to walk humbly**

**in your way so that he may make known the message of Christ, your Son.**

**May Kieran be a faithful servant,**

**a wise teacher,**

**preacher of the truth and**

**a gentle shepherd**

**to guide our Diocese of Killaloe, so that we may journey together and praise you day by day.**

## Congratulations

... to all who received exam results this past week.

### Students' Prayer of Thanksgiving

Dear Lord,

**Thank You** for giving each of us a unique talent.

**Thank You** for our lives, our families who support us and the friends who enrich us.

**Thank You** for giving us challenges & allowing us to lead surprising and interesting lives.

**We ask you for the strength to make it through each day & thank you for watching over everyone and their families.**

## Newly Baptised

We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Matthew Seamus Cleary;

Laura Aileen Warner;

Eric Joe McMahon



**Clare VEC** - Ennis Community College are currently enrolling for their Autumn Evening Classes 2010.

Brochure available from our website [www.enniscommunitycollege.com](http://www.enniscommunitycollege.com); Evening Class Office 065/6848473

Retiring collection for Pakistan Flood Relief at all Masses on next week end, 28th & 29th.



## St. Joseph's

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 21st 7pm: Brian Gilligan, late Greenlawn, & Clarecastle.

Sun 22nd 10am: Patrick & Josephine Tobin, St Senan's Road.

Mon 11.00am: Michael Ryan, Cusack Rd.

Tue 11.00am: Decd membs. O Dwyer family, Clooney.

Wed 11am: Anne Hartney, 23 Mountain View.

Fri 11am: Sean O' Dea.

Sat 11am: Kevin Mc Keon, Clonroad.

7pm: Owen Mc Gowan, 20 Fergus Lawn, Tulla Rd.

Sun 29th 10am: Christina & Tom Hogan, 6 Shannon Park.

11.30am: .Patrick Barry, 19 St Senan's Road.

### Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion

St. Joseph's Church Monday to Friday 8am

Everybody welcome.



## Cloughleigh



### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 22nd 11am: Annie Burns, Cloughleigh Road. 1st Anniv

Mon 23rd 9.30am; Marian & John O' Brien, Moyglass, Mullagh.

Sun 29th 11am: Michael Considine & son Christy, late 104 Hermitage.

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



Building of Hope Project will display photo exhibition from recent building project in Kenya, on the mall, Dunnes Stores on Fri 27th & 28th. This is a thank you to people of Co. Clare & will give an insight into where monies have been spent. All welcome.

Ennis Padre Pio Prayer Group, trip to Rome, Papal audience, San Giovanni, Monte San't Angelo, Loreto, Manopello, Nettuno, Lanciano & the Adriatic Coast. Ex Cork, Sept 5-15th; 10 nights; €1,285 pps. All dinners & taxes included. Spiritual Director: Fr. Tom Hogan, Adm, Cathedral. ☎ Maire Coll 086 880 4603



Bus to Clonfert on August 25th. Leaving St. Joseph's at 9.30am. Bring packed lunch. Contact Maura @ 085 712 6537

Wanted static exercise bike with adjustable saddle, to help recover after injuries. 087 2812875



## Bereavement

### Information Evening

will take place at

Milford Care Centre on

Tue 24th August 2010

from 7.00pm - 8.30pm. For

more info about the night please

contact Mary O Sullivan at 061

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[m.osullivan@milfordcarecentre.ie](mailto:m.osullivan@milfordcarecentre.ie)

or a member of the Social Work

Department. For further details

& directions call 065-7089944

### Clare Accessible Transport,

Professional

Drivers CPC.

Training available

at Cois na

hAbhna, Ennis.

061 924311 to

book the next module. All profit

goes to support Clare's

Community Service.



Live the Word: Aug 22nd  
Lk:13:22-30

Do you possess the 'Winning Syndrome' in Life? Always trying to do your best, be the best, have the best.

Life isn't meant to be a competitor. There's no need to compete all the time, find your balance.



Cuan an Chlair  
Fundraising

Help Needed - Volunteers needed for flag day collection. Friday 27th August Call Mary O'Sullivan 065 68248778.

Chess Summer camp

Tue 24th & Wed 25th.

August .Ennis Leisure

Centre ( Swimming Pool ) from 2pm

to 4.30; Tel. John @ 0872495913



## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat:6.30 Elizabeth Guthrie, St. Martijn's, Loughville.

1st Anniv

Sun.:9am Sean Dolan, 2 Castlelawn, Tulla Road.

10.30am James Kelly, Scoole, Corofin.

Paddy Forde, Ardlea Road.

Amy Molloy, 8 Dalcassian Park.

John Joseph O' Grady, Ballycoree, Barefield.

12 noon Jamie Coote, Cusack Rd MM

Mon:7.45am Eileen Barry, Cahercalla Rd & Bridget

Barry, Magowna.

10am John O' Sullivan, London.

7.30pm Della Moroney, Loughville.

Tues.:7.45am Special Intention.

10am Mary Linehan, Ard na Greine.

7.30pm Tom Dillon, Ard na Greine.

Wed.:7.45am Special Intention.

10am Jack Slattery, Clonroadbeg.

7.30pm Michael Griffin, 60 Parnell St.

Thurs.:7.45am Special Intention.

10am P.J. Morgan, Kilnamona & Loughville.

7.30pm Mary & Tom Mc Mahon, 52 Fergus Manor &

John Hayes, Gort Road.

Fri.:7.45am Mass for the people.

10am Jim, Susan & Tadgh Queally, Drumcliffe.

7.30pm Special Intention.

Sat.:10am Mary Dinan, late Kilrush Rd.

5pm Patrick Sherlock, 103 Clancy Park.

6.30pm Michael Mc Namara, 59 Clancy Park. MM

Sun.:9am Patk Guerin, Mc Namara Park.

Fursey Cunniffe, 25 Greendale, Clonroad.

Bridget Hurley, Milltown Malbay.

10.30am Louis Forte, 49 Gallows Hill. 1st Anniv

12 noon Michael Singleton, late 48 Hermitage & Corofin.

### Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday , 29th August, 2010

Readers: Group 8

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2

### Rest in Peace

Sean Mounsey, Marian Ave.;

Paddy Shanahan, 25 St. Senan's Rd;



The Sky Ride Cycle Race (Etape Hibernia) on this Sun

August 22nd. Temporary road closures along the 82 mile

route, starting from the Information Age Park on the Gort Rd

& travelling via Ruan, Corofin, Lemenagh, Ballyvaughan,

Fanore, Lahinch, & Spanish Point. Kilmaley and back into

Ennis. Over 1,000 cyclists participating. This is a closed

road event and some of the temporary road closures that

apply to Ennis include:

1.The R458 Gort/Barefield Road from Information Age Park to junction with Ruan Rd closed from 6 am to 8 am while race is commencing. Use R352 (Tulla Rd)/N18.

2. The race will be returning to Ennis via Ennis Ring Road from junction with R474 to Ennis Market Place via

Drumbiggie Road and Carmody St... This, the final part of the route, will be closed between 10 am and 3.30 pm.

Diversion signs will be in place for these and other road closures in Ennis during the event.



## Buiochas

Congratulations and thank you to all involved in the Annual Parish Cycle.

Members of Ennis Parish Team and friends have just completed their 6th sponsored cycle. 15 cyclists took part with a back-up team. Sincere thanks to all involved and to the local businesses who sponsored the event: O'Connor's Fruit & Veg Shop; O'Connor's Bakery,

Tierney's Bicycle Shop, The Catering Committee. Thanks to the Medical Team, Killaloe Garda, and all who helped in any way. The money received this year goes towards Fr. John Molloy's Mission, Equador. Thanks to Bishop Willie & Canon Taaffe & all who sent us on our way. Well done to one and all. The continued generosity & kindness of so many parishioners & friends is greatly appreciated.

Please return sponsorship cards to Parish Office.



# Today's Scripture Readings



## First Reading

Isaiah 66:18-21

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your people, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

### The word of the Lord



## Responsorial Psalm

### Response:

*Go out to the whole world;  
Proclaim the good News.*

O praise the Lord, all you nations,  
acclaim him all you peoples!



Strong is his love for us;  
he is faithful forever.



## Second Reading:

Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as children? My child, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his own. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his children. Has there ever been any child whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from

pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

### The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*If anyone loves me he will keep my word,  
and my Father will love him,  
and we shall come to him.*

*Alleluia!*

## Gospel Luke 13:22-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked people!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And people from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

### The Gospel of the Lord

