



Ennis Parish News

Confessions in Cathedral Saturday After 10am Mass & before and after 6.30pm Mass

St Joseph's Saturday After 11am Mass

Parish Office open Mon to Fri 9.30-1pm & 2-5pm Sat 10.30-12noon

Mass Times

Sundays:

Cathedral:- Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am

St. Joseph's:- Sat. Vigil: 7pm; Sunday: 10am, 11.45am

Cloughleigh Church:- 8.00am, 11am

Friary:- Sat. Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday: 10.30am, 12.00 noon

Poor Clare Monastery:- 7.45 a.m.

Weekdays:

Cathedral: Mon. – Fri: 7.40am; 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; Daily Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament from 4-6pm in the Chapel.

Phone Numbers:

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

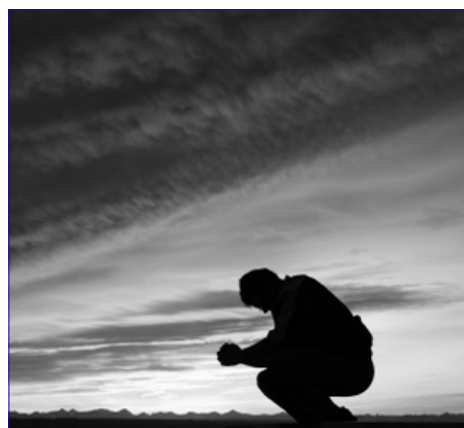
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 23rd September, 2018

We place our trust in thee

No matter how rock bottom events are in our personal lives or in society at large, the voice of hope is always there - at times almost inaudible or a whisper despite the tsunami of chaos. The seeds of hope are in our hearts. Hope has become a forgotten virtue and it is a force that will pull us out of despair. There are many rays of hope that will inspire us if we open our eyes and ears to see and hear them. Many people and agencies reach out to us in times of despair. For those plagued by depression or persistent anxiety, the real source of relief is the realisation that there are those who are willing to listen or help.

Pope Benedict wrote *'the one who has hope lives differently because hope brings life'*. Christ is the well spring of our hope. His constant assurance is that he is there to help us in our difficulties. *'Do not be afraid, do not worry.'* (Luke 1.21). Nurtured by that promise the seeds of hope grow and expand. Especially when we receive the Eucharist, we remind ourselves how vulnerable we are and

of our own human resources. *'We live not of ourselves but Christ lives in us.'* The Eucharist strengthens us on our journey and is the assurance that God gives us *'a future full of hope'*, as Jeremiah the Prophet says.



The realisation that there are many rays of hope that can inspire us and the witness of those, who by their faith, enable them to see beyond the darkness that haunts them. Christ said *'Fear not, it is I'*, when he came walking on the waters and the disciples found themselves in a storm. Hope requires us to have the courage of our convictions and realise that hope is always there if we embrace it.

*Fáilte-Bienvenue-Willkommen-Benvenuto-Bienvenido-Witajcie-Bemvindo-
Welkom-Velkomin-Vitejte-Karibu-Croeso-Valkommen-Tervetuloa-Welcome*

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Kaye Gaynor, Castlawn, Tulla Rd. **1st Anniv**
Aodhán Kelly, Ballybeg.
Sun: 9.30am: Charlie & Bridie McEnery, Circular Rd.
11.30am: Neil, Eileen & Niall O'Sullivan, Greenpark.
Joan Dinan, Waterpark Heights.
Mon: 7.45am: Margaret Foudy, Kilrush Rd. &
Brigid O'Connor, Been, Inagh.
10am: Ralph Martin, California.
7.30pm: Ciss & Paddy Hanrahan, St. Michael's Villas.
Tues: 7.45am Book of Intentions.
10am: John & Kitty Considine, Clare Rd.
7.30pm: Special Intention.
Wed: 7.45am: Special Intention.
10am: Special Intention.
11.30am: Colaiste Muire Opening Mass.
7.30pm: Patrick, Elizabeth & Amelia Cahill, Cahercalla.
Thurs: 7.45am: Special Intention.
10am: Special Intention.
7.30pm: Flan & Carmel O'Reilly, Clare Rd.
Fri: 7.45am Mass for the People.
10am: Special Intention.
7.30pm: Joseph Keane, Summerhill.
Martin Sweeney, Clonroadbeg.
Nancy & Austin Mooney, Cormarket St.
Sat: 10am: Eugene & Seamus Curley, Limerick Rd. &
Phyllis, Liptak, U.S.A.
Mary & Pakie Ryan, Dalcassian Ave.
Patrick & Kathleen O'Dowd, Tulla Rd., &
Anne Clinch, Dublin.
6.30pm: Holy Family Confirmation Enrolment Mass.
Sun: 9.30am: Michael Hayes, Loughville.
Kitty Kelly, College Rd.
11.30am: Mary Burke, Park Ave, Clonroad.

Roster for Cathedral: Sunday 30th September, 2018

Readers: Group 3
Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 2
Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



Readers for the Cathedral

We are presently reviewing the rota and the readers who make themselves available for this ministry here in the Cathedral.
We invite anyone who would be prepared to read the Word of God at our Mass at least once every two months (just 6 times a year) to give their names to the Parish Office or Fr. Tom.
We thank our readers, who faithfully proclaim God's Word, for their valuable ministry.

Coffee Morning
Cathedral House, after 10am Mass
Thursday 27th for Cahercalla Hospice.
Please support.

Hospital & Sick Calls

23rd September, 2018

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Jerry Carey

Duty Phone: 065 6869098

Newly Baptised



*We welcome into the
Christian Community
through the Sacrament
of Baptism:*

Darragh Joseph Moloney
Kearney; **Alexis Gabriel**
O'Riordan; **Hanorah Clare**
Burke; **Oliver Ignacy** Knapik;
Oran Peadar O'Halloran; Niamh
Mei Teresa Collins;

Tax Rebate to the Parish

We thank the many Parishioners who kindly signed the necessary form that enables the Parish under the Charities' Act to reclaim Tax on Contributions of €250 or more made to the Parish in any year. Such signatures and consent are very much appreciated and does not cost Parishioners, unclaimed contributions stay with revenue.

Notice:

We are working to eliminate begging from our Church and Parish grounds and we would appreciate your help in the matter. If you wish to contribute to the homeless and poor of our parish please make a contribution to St. Vincent de Paul or other caring agencies. They would be very grateful for your contributions.

Making your Will

Please remember Ennis Parish among the benefactors in your will. Donations made in this manner will greatly assist the parish in proclaiming the Gospel. The parish appreciate such thoughtfulness and generosity.



St. Joseph's

Mass intentions for scheduled Masses in St. Joseph's Church should be booked through the Parish Office. For all other events call Fr John 0656822166.

Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: Maria Fox, Golf Links Rd. **1st Anniv**
Sun 10am: Ann Fox & Pat McInerney, Corrovorrin Grm.
11.45: Carmel & Tom Mc Inerney, The Crescent.
Mon 11am: Carl Quinn, London.
Thu 11am: Phenie & Thomas Sheehy, Old Gort Rd.
Fri 11am: Eithne Carey, Pine Grove.
Sat 11am: Joe & Maura Mc Donagh, Meadow Court.
7pm: Annie Kelly, Kanturk & Connolly.
Sun 11.45am: Patrick Woods, Circular Rd. **1st Anniv**

Rest in Peace

Gabriel Connors, Corofin, brother of Pat & Tom O'Connor; Sr. Therese, Corrovorrin, **Rita Keane**, Loughville, **Finbarr O'Toole**, Friar's Close, **Gerard (Ger) Smyth**, Kilbarron, Feakle, husband of the late Ann (nee Dunne), **Brian Conlan**, Dublin, brother of Michael, Cathedral Sacristan; **Fr. Jimmy Loughnane**, Los Angeles, brother of Sr. Gertrude, Poor Clare Monastery.



*Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near;
still loved, still missed and very dear.*

Feast of Our Lady of Mercy

This Monday, we celebrate Mercy Day. The Feast of Our Lady of Mercy is a celebration of the presence of the Sisters of Mercy in our Community. Our Parish is blessed with a strong Mercy presence and we thank the Sisters for not alone their presence with us but for the massive contribution they have made and continue to make to our town and parish. We pray that through the Intercession of Catherine McAuley (foundress of the Sisters) that God will continue to bless the sisters who form part of the Ennis Community.



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 11am: Batty Fitzpatrick, Cragleigh.
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Sun 11am: Ted & Peg O'Brien, Clareen Drive.

We will continue to pray the Novena Prayer to St. Anthony for your intentions at the 9:30 mass in Cloughleigh every Tuesday. All are welcome to come and seek the intercession of this powerful saint.

Cloughleigh Residents' Association are seeking local people who may be interested in establishing a local Cloughleigh Drama Group. A fun way to get to know people and to build community, with the emphasis on enjoyment and fun!! If interested contact Kieran Walsh on 087 2870399 or the Parish Office.



BINGO

Great prizes; Jackpot: €1,500;
Community Centre; Sunday from 8pm

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. Do you or someone you know wish to become a Catholic? Are you baptized but never confirmed or received First Holy Communion? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) may be the place for you! Every year adults are welcomed in to the Catholic Community through the RCIA parish programme. **INTERESTED!!** Don't hesitate to drop into the Parish Office or call 065 6824043.



Tai Chi is an ancient form of gentle exercise which is beneficial for inner peace and can really help with mobility and joint pains. Classes beginning in Cloughleigh Community Centre depending on numbers. If interested contact Kieran Walsh on 087 2870399 or the Parish Office on 065 6824043.

There will be an open meeting in Cloughleigh Community Centre on Thursday September 27th at 8pm to discuss the possibility of establishing a Men's Shed in Cloughleigh. A Men's Shed is a dedicated, friendly and welcoming meeting place where men come together and undertake a variety of mutually agreed activities. Men's Sheds are open to all men regardless of age, background or ability. An objective of Men's Sheds is to enhance or maintain the well-being of the participating men. All interested parties welcome.

Pop up shop in aid of Clare Animal Rescue on Fri 21st / Sat 22nd Sept. Near precious pets shop in the market. Please support

Bridge Classes for Beginners Ennis Bridge Centre @ 7.30pm on Tues 2nd Oct. Contact Tel:0872674288

Ranganna Gaeilge sa Tulach: Irish language classes will resume in Cnoc na Gaoithe, Tulla; Tuesday 25 September 4.30pm for Primary School and 7.30pm for Junior and Senior cycle Secondary School students. Enquiries to 087 8350996

Clare Leader Forum in conjunction with Clare Citizens' Information Centre and the Centre for Independent Living are hosting a conference entitled Personal Assistance Services: A Right Not a Privilege. Everyone is welcome at this free seminar, which will take place; Friday 28th September from 10am to 1pm in the Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis. Light refreshments served on the day. For info contact: Dermot Hayes: 086 3157591

Autumn pilgrimage to Lourdes: Pilgrims who would like to travel to Lourdes on the autumn pilgrimage that leaves from Shannon Airport on **Sunday 7th October and returns Friday 12th October** are requested to book their seat with joewalstours.ie. Tel: 01 2410810 €679pps

A Day in Honour of Our Lady - "Calling all Families" Consecrate your Families to Our Lady on Saturday, 6th October in the Knock Shrine at the 3pm Pilgrimage Mass. Followed by testimony, food and music in the Rest and Care Centre and concludes with a Holy Hour to pray for our Priests, Bishops and their Dioceses. To book your seat on the **FREE** Bus from Topaz Service Station, Tulla Road, Ennis, Co. Clare, at 9.45am (Donations welcome, Booking essential), please contact Human Life International in Knock on 094 9375993 or Email: mail@humanlife.ie

Bus to Clonfert to Eddie Stone Saturday 6th October. Contact Stephen (086) 1943960.

Ei Electronics, Shannon's largest employer is hosting an Open Day on Sunday September 23rd, celebrating 55 years of manufacturing in Shannon and 30 years as an Irish Company. A fun day is guaranteed with barbecue, refreshments, fun for the kids, factory tours and live entertainment throughout the afternoon. Come and celebrate with us, all are welcome, 11am-6pm. Further details www.eielectronics.ie

PARKINSON'S ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND - CLARE BRANCH: Meeting Friday 28th September; Carrigoran Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus from 10 am - 1 pm. If you have, or know anybody that has Parkinson's please come along. All new members welcome together with family member or carer. Contact: 087 2272782.

Clare Sports Partnership FREE #BeActive Exp: in Treacy's West County Hotel, Ennis on Saturday the **29th September from 6pm - 8pm** is giving you a chance to try all the sports and physical activity options available throughout Clare. Followed by a family pedal powered cinema at 8pm. Come try something new; Suitable for ALL ages 065-6865434. All activities are FREE

Gathering of Returned Missionaries: The next diocesan meeting of returned Missionaries takes place on next Thursday, 27th September at 8pm in St Flannan's College, Ennis. All returned Missionaries are most welcome.

Weekend Retreat in the Burren Co Clare. 28 - 30 September: Why not come on a guided journey to the most secret and sacred places in the Burren and let the silence and beauty of this unique landscape renew in body and soul? Further information from Mary at 087 970 1130/Nóirín at 087 9459151

Clare Haven Services Insights Programme - A free and confidential weekly programme for women who are or have been in an abusive domestic relationship will commence in Ennis at the end of September. For further information please contact Clare Haven Services on 065 6842646.

Sr. Eileen's Céinne Aire do Chruthú Dé.

Le tamall anuas cloisimid sna meáin chumarsáide faoi thubaistí nádúrtha atá ag tarlú ar fud na cruinne. De réir na saineolaithe is é an cine daonna faoi ndear roinnt mhaith díobh seo. Mar sin ba cheart dúinn gach iarracht a dhéanamh chun iad a mhaolú. Chruthaigh Dia an domhan dúinn chun maireachtáil inti le cruthaitheacht agus freagracht. Ina imlitir Laudato Si, impíonn an Pápa Proinsias orainn ár nósanna a athrú toisc an scrios atá déanta againn don domhan trí mhí-úsáid. Is í Éire an tír is mó san Eoraip le dramháil phlaisteach. De réir na staitisticí is déanaí téann 13 milliún tonna plaisteach isteach i bhfarraigí an domhain gach bliain agus tógann éisc, éanlaith agus orgánaigh eile iad isteach ina gcoirp gan trácht ar an díobháil don duine. Is féidir linn gearradh siar ar an méid dramhála a chaithimid i dtráipisí gach aon lá. Ní foláir dúinn machnamh ar Laudato Si. Comhghairdeas leis na daltaí go léir a fuair torthaí an Teastais Shóisearaigh an tseachtain seo caite. Molaimid a múinteoirí agus a dtuismitheoirí a chabhraigh leo an sprioc seo a bhaint amach ina saol. Go gcuire Dia rath agus bláth orthu agus iad anois ag tabhairt faoi ullmhúchán don Ardeistiméireacht. Maith sibh.

We hear and read daily of weather related disasters worldwide. According to the experts, these are the result of first world lifestyles. We ought to make every effort to redress the harm done. God created the world for us to live with creativity and responsibility. In his Encyclical Laudato Si, Pope Francis invites us to change our habits. Ireland has the most plastic waste in Europe. According to the latest statistics, 13 million tons of plastic go into the world's seas every year. Fish, birds and other organisms take this into their bodies and so it enters the food chain. We can dramatically reduce our use of plastic and other pollutants. Let us reflect on Laudato Si.

Congratulations to Junior Certificate Students who received their results recently. We congratulate them, their teachers and their parents who helped them reach this stage in their lives. May God bless them as they now begin preparing for Leaving Certificate. Maith sibh.

VISIT OF SACRED RELICS: Relics of Pope Saint John Paul 11, Saint Maximilian Kolbe OFM, Teresa of Kolkata, Don Bosco, Saint Anne the Mother of the Blessed Virgin, Saint Elizabeth of the Trinity, the three children of Fatima, Saint John Vianney, Saint Bernadette of Lourdes, Blessed Pope Pius IX & Saint Hesselblad will be on display in Kilmaley Church on Thursday 4th October from 7.30pm. All are welcome. Mass celebrated at 8.30pm.

Wanted an experienced, kind, reliable, genuine childminder for 12 month old. Ennis area or surrounds. Contact 085 2335710

*Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 16th September, €6,715.00*

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

PENITENTIAL RITE

P. Have mercy on us, O Lord

C. **For we have sinned against you.**

P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.

C. **And grant us your salvation.**

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

C. **Amen.**

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, 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.**

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Ws 2:12.17-20

The godless say to themselves,

'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

Let us see if what he says is true,

let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: The Lord upholds my life.

O God, save me by your name;

By your power, uphold my cause.

O God, hear my prayer;

Listen to the words of my mouth. **R**

For proud men have risen against me,

Ruthless men seek my life.

They have no regard for God. **R**

But I have God for my help.

The Lord upholds my life.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart

And praise your name for it is good. **R**

A reading from the letter of St. James.

Jm 3:16-4:3

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord,

Anyone who follows me

Will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Mk 9:30-37

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples;

he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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, 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.

Communion Antiphon

I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my sheep, and mine know me.