



# 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

St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715;

Friary: 6828751

Ennis Parish Web Site at: <http://www.ennisparish.com>

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

25th September, 2011

## TO FORGIVE IS TO LOVE

**The gospel message is a call to follow Jesus, to match our words and our deeds, to walk in the path of righteousness, and to welcome those we meet.**

Forgiveness is part of our calling, in how we reach out in love.

A school teacher has decided to let her class play a game. The teacher told each child in the class to bring along a plastic bag containing a few potatoes. Each potato will be given a name of a person whom the child hates, so the number of potatoes that a child will put in his/her plastic bag will depend on the number of people he/she hates.

So when the day came, every child brought some potatoes with the name of the people he/she hated. Some had 2 potatoes; some 3, while some up to 5 potatoes.

The teacher then told the children to carry with them the potatoes in the plastic bag wherever they go (even to the toilet) for 1 week. Days after days passed by, and the children started to complain due to the unpleasant smell let out by the rotten potatoes. Besides, those having 5 potatoes also had to carry heavier bags.



After 1 week, the children were relieved because the game had finally ended. The teacher asked: *"How did you feel while carrying the potatoes with you for 1 week?"*

The children let out their frustrations and started complaining of the trouble that they had to go through having to carry the heavy and smelly potatoes wherever they went.

Then the teacher told them the hidden meaning behind the game.

The teacher said: *"This is exactly the situation when you carry your hatred for somebody inside your heart. The stench of hatred will contaminate your heart and you will carry it with you wherever you go. If you cannot tolerate the smell of rotten potatoes for just 1 week, can you imagine what is it like to have the stench of hatred in your heart for your lifetime?"*

**Moral of the story:** Throw away any hatred for anyone from your heart, so that you will not carry sins for a lifetime. Forgiving others is the best attitude to take! Love others even if you don't like them.....

The Eucharist: Communion with Christ & with One Another



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

### Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 25th September, 2011.

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Fergal O'Neill ☎087 6615975

Wednesday Duty:

Fr. Tom Hogan ☎065 68 24043

### Live the Word

A simple life, is possibly the most enjoyable.

We seem to be preconditioned to always having to be busy! do this! do that! A busy life takes away the goodness, the joy, the beauty. Learn to cut out the unnecessary, and enjoy being busy noticing the moment.



**Nevin Maguire Cookery Demonstration** in Auburn Lodge, Gort Rd. on Wed Sept 28; in aid of Building of Hope & Clare Haven; fund raising event; tickets €20 from Auburn Lodge or Mgt Barry 087 9865039. Raffle also.

**Co Clare VEC's Back To Education Initiative** is proposing to offer a part-time FETAC Level 6 Certificate in Supervisory Management, commencing in early October. This course is aimed at adults who are working or intend to work or volunteer in a Supervisory capacity. For further information contact the BTEI office on 065- 6843633.

**The Speech Centre-Open Day-All Are Welcome!!!** Sat, Oct 1st, from 1-3pm. Drop by to see the clinic and meet with our team at the Ennis Family Medical Centre, Gort Rd, Ennis. Call Claire O' Loughlin on 0851681158 or [www.thespeechcentre.com](http://www.thespeechcentre.com)

**Banner Ladies Football Club** invites all girls U10 & 12, to come to training every Tue at The Banner Pitch, Shanaway Rd. 087 2704491; Alan Copley, Club Sec. [www.bannerladiesfootballclub.com](http://www.bannerladiesfootballclub.com)

### Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

*Ar Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire*, 24 Meán Fómhair guimis ar son Siúrachá na Trócaire anseo in Inis agus ar fud an domhain agus ar son a gcomhpháirtithe. Go raibh siad dílis dá ngairm. Go raibh an neart, an t-eolas agus an grásta ó Dhia acu iad siúd atá faoina gcúram a threorú mar is ceart agus is cóir. **Aiméan**

*We ask for God's blessing* on the Sisters of Mercy and on their Associates and Colleagues here in Ennis and throughout the world on the feast of Our Lady of Mercy (Mercy Day), 24th September. May they be faithful to their calling. May they have the strength, knowledge and grace from God to direct their care in the ways of justice. **Amen**



Give us your ideas

Consultation day Sunday 25th September from 3-5pm in The Junction, Cloughleigh Road. Opportunity for young people 15-18 years to visit the new centre, have their say and get information on up coming programmes: Money Banks, Life Skills, Roots, Web Design, Café Group, Developmental Programmes. For More information contact Jean 086-1568650 or checkout Facebook The Junction Ennis.

**The Burren Peaks Walking Festival** Friday Sept 23rd to Sunday Sept 25th, Ballyvaughan, Co. Clare. Groups, Clubs, and Individual Walkers welcome. Choice of 5 Guided Grade A, B & C walks each day. Pre-Booking of walks essential. Entry fees from €20. Nightly Entertainment. For more info: 087 7779714 - 087 7911700. [www.burrenpeakswalkingfestival.com](http://www.burrenpeakswalkingfestival.com)

**Secure Car Parking spaces** to let @ Clare Community Bridge Centre, Harmony Row, Ennis. €550pa. Arrangements can be made to pay monthly by dd. Contact 0863949652

### Matt Talbot Novena

The annual Matt Talbot novena praying for all suffering or sharing in the life of addictions begins in SS. John & Paul Church, Shannon on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm and continues each Tuesday for October & November, praying for all suffering or sharing in the life of Addictions.



**Next meeting of Ennis Toastmasters** on Tuesday 27th September at 8pm in the Temple Gate Hotel. New members welcome.

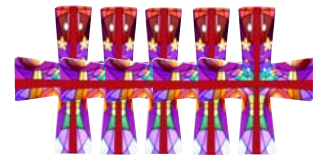
**2012 North Atlantic Fiddle Convention Youth Camp** coming to Derry/Donegal in June 2012. Forms from fiddle teachers/group leaders by 5pm, Fri 30th Sept. 2011. email: [tara@nafco2012.com](mailto:tara@nafco2012.com) / [youth@nafco2012.com](mailto:youth@nafco2012.com) [www.nafco2012.com](http://www.nafco2012.com) ☎+44 (0)28 7137 5134 Mobile: +353 87 290 8680

### Marriage & Relationship Counselling ACCORD

offers couples, and individuals in a couple relationship the opportunity to explore marital and relationship difficulties, and to seek new ways to resolve their problems. Tel: 1850 58 5000



### Gospel Mass



Monthly gathering in St. Joseph's Church on Sunday 25th September @ 6.30pm, with The Ennis Gospel Choir. All welcome.

### Buiochas

**Buiochas** to all who contributed so generously to the coffee morning for Cahercalla at Cathedral House. **Amount raised: €330.05.** **Maura**

**Buiochas** to all who attended Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock on Sun Sept 11th from Liam MacNally, Catholic Grandparents Association, Westport, Co Mayo (098 24877)

**Connolly Happy Feet Charity 10K** - The organisers thank all who participated in the recent walk. Special word of thanks to the stewards, volunteers and sponsors. A Little Lifetime Foundation and the Inagh Autism Unit are truly grateful that we have chosen their charity and would like to express a heartfelt thank you to everyone involved.

If you are affected by a loved ones abusing or addiction to alcohol or other drugs, please come to the Family Support Programme sponsored by Bushypark Treatment Centre (a Clarecare Ltd service) for information and support. In Ennis Tuesdays at Clarecare room 13 at 7.30 pm. Free and confidential. Ellen O'Neal, M.Ed., M.I.A.A.A.C., M.I.A.C.P. Cocaine Initiative - Continuing Care Counsellor, Continuing Care Co-Ordinator, Bushypark Treatment Centre Tel: 065-6840944; 065-6862049 (Direct Line); FAX: 065-6840450; Website: [www.bushypark.ie](http://www.bushypark.ie)



 **Table Quiz** Saturday 1st October at 8pm in Woodstock Golf Club Bar. Table of 4 €40. 1st Prize €100, spot prizes on entrance ticket. Proceeds in aid of "Food to Afrika" charity.

Grinds for Junior/Leaving cert; maths & technology subjects 087 7582592

**Garden Fete in Our Lady's Hospital Grounds** this Sunday at 2pm. Lots of fun for all the family. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Newsletter items to Parish Office ☎ 065-6824043 Fax 065-6842541 or email: [info@ennisparish.com](mailto:info@ennisparish.com) **Deadline is 12 noon on Tuesday.**

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 18th September, €8,549.00



## 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:

**Sat 24th 7.00pm:** Sean Mc Inerney, 14 Shannon Pk.  
**Sun 10am:** PJ O'Donnell, Ballyalla.  
**11.30am:** Tom & Carmel McInerney, 30 The Crescent.  
**Mon 11am:** Micéal O'Loughlin, 44 Corovorrin Grove.  
**Tue 11am:** Josephine(Phenie) Sheehy, Old Gort Rd.  
**Thu 11am:** Eithne Carey, Pine Grove & decd members of the O'Neill & Carey families.  
**Fri 11am:** Carmel O'Reilly, Clare Rd.  
**Sat 11am:** Gary & Peggy Neary, Corrovorrin Green.  
**7pm:** Michael Woods, The Green, Lifford.  
**Sun Oct 2nd 8am:** Rita Gilligan, Kincora Park.  
**10am:** Margaret & Michael Leonard, late Kevin Barry Ave.  
**11.30am:** Fiachra & Mary Barrett, Bonniconlon, Mayo.

### Mass in the extraordinary form (Mass in the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) in St Joseph's Church on Sunday October 1st at 5.30pm.

This Mass will be enriched by beautiful Gregorian Chant led by the Schola Petra fertile (choir of the fertile rock) from Corofin. **All Welcome**



## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 11am:** Eugene & Seamus Curley, Limerick Rd.  
**Mon 9.30am:** John & Peter Fitzgerald, Cregg.  
**Tue 9.30am:** Peter & Jim Mc Cormack, Cnamh.  
**Wed 9.30am:** Alan & James Mc Carrick, Cluain.  
**Thu 9.30am:**Maureen & Patrick Joyce, Cloughleigh Rd.  
**Fri 9.30am:** Mary Flaherty, Rathmore.  
**Sun 2nd 11am:** Jimmy Frawley, Corrovorrin & Larry Frawley, Hermitage..

**Retiring Collection for Cahercalla Hospice** after 9.30am & 11am masses on Sun 25th.

**Coffee Morning** on Wednesday 28th September in aid of our local Hospice at Cahercalla. 10am to 1pm at Mary Foley's house "Rosslara", 17 Cusack Lawn, Cloughleigh Rd.

**10 Week Introduction to Counselling Course** starting from Wed 28th Sept in Ennis from 7 - 9.30 pm (Suitable for anyone wanting to enhance their listening skills and their personal development.) For more details contact tutor Pauline Bradley on 087 6383988

L.I.T. **fulltime Business Computing Cert.** available in Ennis Regional Learning Centre. Apply by Sept. 30th. Contact 065-6866844 for further details.

**Fashion at the Castle** is happening at Dromoland Castle on Wednesday 28th September next in support of Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire, Newmarket on Fergus. Host for the evening is TV3's Noel Cunningham. Tickets are now on sale at €40 each and are available from 061 368333 or 086 8163243.

**World Champion Dancer Michael Donnellan** starts "Adult Irish Dance Fitness", West County Hotel, Tuesdays 8.15pm—9.30pm, Abbey Room. Beginners & Advanced Classes. Info 087-4186452. Whether you always wished to try it, or want to dance again after all these years. All are welcome.



## Friary News

**Secular Franciscan Order;** all welcome to the monthly hour of Silent Prayer for Peace at Poor Clare Chapel on Sat Oct 1 from 4.30-5.30pm.

### Killaloe Diocese Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes



At the time of going to print there are six seats still available on the Autumn pilgrimage which leaves Shannon next Sunday October 2<sup>nd</sup> returning Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October. €650pps. Book directly with JWT 143 Lower Baggot St Dublin 2 Tel : 01 2410800

### First Saturday Devotions in Honour of Our Lady of Fatima in The Cathedral next Sat. Confessions, rosary & Benediction after 10am Mass.



### People of the Year



Many people are working in a voluntary capacity (often unnoticed), giving of their time and energy in the service of others and enriching our community. Seven years ago the Pastoral Council decided to acknowledge their contributions and awards have been presented to worthy participants for the past seven years.

If you know of someone, who you feel would be worthy of such recognition, we would appreciate your nominating them. Nominations to be sent to the Parish Office and should include some information about the person being nominated and a brief outline of the reasons for the nomination. Reminders and closing date will be announced in future newsletter.

**Clare Volunteer Centre** - urban knitting project for **National Day of Volunteering** knitted items will only be on display on the Ennis Sculpture trail from 10am to 5pm on **Fri 30th Sep.** Contact Sharon on 6866800 or email Sharon@volunteerclare.ie

**Clare Age Friendly County Initiative at Glór** Tues 27th Sep at 10am. To reserve a place contact Helen on 6846511 or email hmalone@clarecoco.ie

**Genealogical & Family History Conference** sponsored by Clare Roots Society Sat 1st Oct at Templegate Hotel..

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sat:6.30** Sean Mullarkey, 70 College Green. **1st Anniv**  
**Sun:9am** John Joe & Kathleen Cullinan, Cornmarket.  
**10.30am** Martin Crowe, 78 St Michael's Villas.  
Kitty Kelly, College Road.  
**12 noon** Michael Butler, Claureen. **1st Anniv**  
**Mon:7.45am** Special Intention.  
**10am** Helen Coffey, 39 Hermitage.  
**7.30pm** Rita Ryan Hanrahan, England & Dalcassian Pk  
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**Tues:7.45am** Special Intention.  
**10am** Jim & Anne Kenny & deceased family, Corofin.  
**1.30pm:** ENS New School year Mass.  
**7.30pm** Michael Burke, 16 Park Row.  
**Wed:7.45am** Holy Souls.  
**10am** Mahoney family, Barrets Lane & Mc Namara Pk.  
**7.30pm** Charlie McEnery, Circular Rd.  
**Thurs:7.45am** Mass for the People.  
**10am** Dan Reidy, Clare Rd.  
**7.30pm** Decd members Summerly family, 19 Hermitage.  
**Fri:7.45am** James Griffin, Ardlea Rd.  
**10am** Patrick & Josephine Kelly, Ard na Greine.  
**7.30pm** David Clohessy, 17 Childer's Rd.MM  
**Sat.:10am** Joe & Mary Kelly, Showgrounds, Ennis.  
**6.30pm** Mary Taylor, 13 The Green. MM  
**Sun 2nd 9am** Tom & Rita Browne, 12 Fergus Dr, Shannon.  
**10.30am** Mr & Mrs Singleton, late 48 Hermitage.  
Patrick & Amelia Cahill, 9 Cahercalla Est& Kilmaley.  
Andrew Ryan, Clonteen, Ballyalla.  
Teresa Moroney, Hermitage.  
**12 noon** Mass for the People.

### Roster for Cathedral:

**Sunday 2nd October 2011**

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



### Rest in Peace



**Mary Barry**, Four Seasons Dr., Roslevan;  
**Laurie Garvey**, Ballyortla, Ennis; **Peggy McNamara**, Dublin, sister in law of Marcella McMahon Elm Park; **James McMahon**, Kilkenny, Tubber & Unit 4 St. Josephs; **Damien Burke**, Cork, brother of Patrick Bourke, The Height;

### Dates for Diary

- ◆ **Monday Sept 26th:** Parish Finance & Property Committee meeting in Cathedral House @ 8pm
- ◆ **Tuesday Sept 27:** Parish Pastoral Council Meeting in Chapter Room @ 8pm.
- ◆ **Training for Faith Friends Programme** Wednesday 28th September.
- ◆ **Cathedral Liturgy Group** Monday 10th October Cathedral House 8pm.
- ◆ **Blessing of Expectant Parents** Thursday 20th October in Cathedra @ 8pm.
- ◆ **Visit of Eucharistic Congress Bell** to Abbey Cluster **Sat/Sun October 22nd/23rd.**

All are invited to Cois na hAbhna Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011 for a World Café discussion on "How would a health service, that provides access for all, look". Time 10.30 - 12.30. Also includes feedback from the Ennis Hub project which ran earlier in the year. Organised by the Clare Active Citizenship Network.

## First Reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

### A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: You object, What the Lord does is unjust. Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When you renounce your integrity to commit sin and die because of this, you die because of the evil that you yourself has committed. When you renounce sin to become law-abiding and honest, you deserve to live. You have chosen to renounce all your previous sins; you shall certainly live; you shall not die'.

### The word of the Lord



## Responsorial Psalm

**Response:** .

**Remember your mercy, Lord**

Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth, and teach me:  
For you are God my saviour. **R**

Remember your mercy, Lord,  
And the love you have shown from of old.  
Do not remember the sins of my youth.  
In your love remember me,  
Because of your goodness, O Lord. **R**

The Lord is good and upright  
God shows the path to those who stray,  
God guides the humble in the right path  
God teaches his way to the poor. **R**

## Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

### A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians.

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

### The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*If you love me you will keep my word,  
And my father will love you,  
And we shall come to you.  
Alleluia!*

## Gospel

Matthew 21:28-32

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

### The Gospel of the Lord

