



Ennis Parish News

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

Mass Times

Sundays:

Cathedral:- Sat. Vigil: 6.30 p.m.; Sunday: 9, 10, 11, 12.15pm

Mass in Polish each Sunday at 3pm

St. Joseph's:- Sat. Vigil: 7.00 p.m.; Sunday: 8, 10, 11.30 a.m.

Cloughleigh Church:- 9.30, 11 a.m.

Friary:- Sat. Vigil: 7.30 p.m.; Sunday: 9.30, 10.30, 12.00 noon

Poor Clare Monastery:- 7.45 a.m.

Weekdays:

Cathedral: 8.00, 10, 7.30 p.m. Mon. – Fri.; 10, 11 a.m. on Saturday

St. Joseph's:- 8.00, 11 a.m. Mon. – Fri.; 11 a.m. on Saturday

Cloughleigh Church:- 9.30 a.m. Mon. – Fri.

Friary:- 10 a.m., 1.05pm daily; 10 a.m. on Saturday

Poor Clare Monastery:- 7.45 a.m. daily

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Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year) 27th September, 2009

THREE GOSPEL CHALLENGES

In today's Gospel we are asked to reflect on three issues which Mark put before his own community. They are: (1) ambition, (2) jealousy and intolerance of others and (3) scandalising others.

A little girl was sent to the shop by her mother and she was told to hurry home. It was two hours before she returned. The little girl said to her troubled mother. *"I'm sorry I'm late but I helped a girl mend her doll"*.

"How did you do that", said her mother,

"I couldn't" said the child, *"But I helped her to cry"*

To be an important person in the eyes of Jesus is to be prepared to serve, not to be looking for the highest place. The closest we will ever come to God in this life is when we are helping others.

The second challenge that Mark puts to us is to be tolerant and open to the good will of others. We all like to build up our own patch and to exclude those who do not belong. But if a person outside our circle does a good deed that leads another to God, we can be sure that the Spirit of God is at work there. A drink of water given with love is just as fruitful as any powerful deed done in God's name. Jesus sees the heart and as we see in the Gospel story, he is not threatened by the goodness of anyone outside his

own chosen circle. When it comes to goodness, with Jesus, he accepts goodness in anyone even if it's an outsider.

Mark's third concern is about giving bad example to others. As baptised followers of Jesus, we must always be watchful that we do not direct others away from God. We must also watch our own intentions and motives, to make sure that it is the love of God in our own hearts, that we make visible to others. Mother Teresa once said that her only wish was to be faithful in witnessing to God's love, through the love she showed to those dying on the streets of Calcutta.



**I am
worthy
Of
God's
Love**

*We are also called
to be faithful to God's love.*

What's on this week?

Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 27th September, 2009

Priest on Duty:

Fr. John McGovern ☎065 6822166

Wednesday Duty:

Fr. Tom Hogan ☎065 6824043



Parish Visitation starts the week of 5th Oct. We will visit Lee's Road and Drumcliffe Road. We look forward to meeting you. Remembering that "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am too."

Ennis Prayer Group

invites all to come share in our *New Life in the Spirit Seminars*, starting on Tuesday 6th October for seven Tuesdays, 8pm St Anthony's Hall, Francis St., Ennis. "I have come in order that you may have Life, Life in all its fullness" (Jn 10:10). Please come and bring a friend.



Vision Seminar with Fr. Flann Lynch. Discover freedom, power, purpose! Explore! Improve relationships both at home and in your workplace. **Venue:** West County on Sat & Sun, Oct 17th/18th. **Time:** Sat. 10am-5pm; Sun 10am-2pm; www.visionbeinspired.com



Ennis Toastmasters, which meets at the Templegate on Tuesday 29th of September at 8:30pm, is there to help you conquer your public speaking concerns. Come along and bring a friend....all welcome. Feel free to call us on 087 7839868 or our website at www.ennistoastmasters.com



Clare Mental Health Week 2009
Friendship and Community - important values in these challenging times is the theme for Clare Mental Health Week 2009 which runs from the 5th - 10th of October. It aims to encourage communities and groups to come together to show solidarity and support to each other in times of unemployment and recession. Events include talks from health and community experts, choral concerts, community meetings, stress reduction classes, hugathons and a Burren walk. **All events are free.** For further information contact mentalhealthweek@hse.ie or 065 6865847.

Relationship Workshop - 10th & 11th October: Learn ten-step process to restore a relationship or marriage, the 3 stages of relationship recovery, plus more... suitable for singles or couples - more details contact Des 065 6827749 or www.burrenlifebalance.com

Mass With A Difference



Venue: St. Joseph's Church.
Date: This Sunday 27th Sept;
Time: 6.30pm.
Celebrant: Fr. Jerry Carey & the Ennis Gospel Choir.



"We live in joyful hope in the fading Autumn light"

Matt Talbot Novena - Shannon:

This year's Novena begins this Tuesday Sept 29th at 7pm in SS John & Paul Church and continues for the Tuesdays of October and November. Each week praying for all suffering or sharing in the life of addictions. Petitions are available at the Shrine. Fr. Chris O'Donnell, Limerick Diocese Youth Director, will be the Preacher this Tuesday night. An invitation and a welcome to all.



St. Joseph's Young Priests Society A.G.M. on Fri 2nd Oct. after 7.30pm mass in St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.

BMW Raffle for Pemba, Tanzania: Michael Guthrie, Ennistymon, would like to thank all supporters of the raffle of his donated BMW, which raised €19,000 for the Pemba building fund. Congratulations to Margaret Scanlon, Ennis who won the car. The money collected will ensure that the second storey of the parish centre in Pemba will be completed.

Clare Hospice at Cahercalla, Weekly Draw Results, Year 9 Week 14 Tue, Sept 22nd 1st Prize €635: Mary Guerin, College Pk, Ennis. 2nd Prize €127: Susan Griffin, College Green, Ennis.

Hard of Hearing? Difficulty Coping? Hearing help sessions will run for 8 weeks, starting on Wednesday 30th Sept. **Time:** 11am to 1pm. **Venue:** Dunphy House, Respond, Cooper's place, Ennis. **Topics included:** Lipreading; Coping strategies; Assistive Technology; Information on Hearing Aids; Assertiveness Training. **Contact:** Geraldine Colleran @ 061 467494.



Newly Baptised
We welcomed the following into the Christian Community: Kevin Pio Mongans; Aimee Jean Carey.

Reopening

Conversation group in Irish: The Clár as Gaeilge Ciorcal Cainte will be held on Tue 29th Sept @ 11am in MacDonalds, Gort Rd. 065 6864474. Bigfi linn.



Ennis Tennis & Badminton Club:

Registration for Junior Badminton Coaching takes place on Tue 29th Sept at 6.30pm in the Club. Existing and new members very welcome. Coaching available for juniors aged 8 and up.

ART TUITION & PORTFOLIO

PREPARATION: Are you taking Junior or Leaving certificate Art and need a little extra help with your art skills? Or are you thinking of going to Art School and need a portfolio, but don't know where to begin? I would be happy to help you improve your drawing skills, and advise you on how to prepare a creative portfolio that meets with the requirements of the art school you apply to, in Ireland and the UK. For further information about the above, or any other art tuition for adults and children, please contact me April on: 085 745 9586 email: artist@apriljarocka.com



French Grinds starting again for school year. Contact Laetika at 087-9605314.

Ennis Old Folks Club will resume on Mon 12th Oct. at 8.30pm in Community Centre, Chapel Lane. All are welcome. Transport can be arranged contact Martin at 087-9033682.

Forever young prayer group meets every Thursday at 8pm in the Chapter room. All are welcome.



Ennis Brass Band, beginner's class, enrolment at Ennis Community College at 7.30pm the Tues 29th Sept.

Clarecastle Comhaltas: Sean Nós Dancing commencing Thursday 1st October, Abbey Hall (beside Clarecastle Credit Union) 7.30pm for beginners and 8.30pm for intermediate/advanced with Suzanne Leahy, for eight weeks. All are welcome. Any queries phone 6828443 after 5pm.

Yachtmaster Navigation Course, Shore based, Motor and Sail, I.S.A. approved. Details from Brendan at 087-2351976 or bptravers@eircom.net

Living Hope Suicide Bereavement Training Programme (Certificate): The Programme will give Bereavement Care Workers, Counsellors, Health Professionals, Clergy, Guidance Counsellors, Emergency Services Personnel, Schools & Colleges Staff and Local Communities the skills and confidence to provide Support to people Bereaved through Suicide. This is an On-Line, E-Learning programme. The Course Fee is €160 and a Certificate will be awarded to those who successfully complete this On-Line Six Module Course. The Training will also be available as a 3 Day Face-to Face Course (details to be confirmed at a later date). Details from: Living Hope Training, Console, 4, Whitethorn Grove, Celbridge, Co.Kildare. 01 6102638 or e-mail: info@console.ie

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

Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 20th September, €9,396.00



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Martin & Maureen Mullins, 52 Marian Ave.
 Sun 10am: Carmel McInerney, 30 The Crescent
 11.30am: Francis Woods, Kevin Barry Ave & Ballyvaughan
 Tues 11am: Eithne Carey, Pine Grove & Chris Carey, Thurles
 Fri 7.30pm: Kathleen Scanlan, Clancy Park.
 Sat 11am: Rita Gilligan, Kincora Park.
 7pm: Dec'd members Hurley family late Maid of Erin.
 Sun 4th 10am: Michael, Eileen & Noreen Hogan Corrovorrin Green.
 11.30am: Annie & Peter Barry, Shanaway Rd.

All Masses for St. Josephs Church can now be booked at Parish Office: ☎ 6824043.



Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

9.30am: Daniel Walsh, Clareen.
 11am: Eugene & Seamus Curley, Limerick Road.
 Sun 4th Oct 9.30am: Damien McKinney, Shalee Dr.
 11am: Nora O'Shea, 26 Considine Rd.

Ennis St Johns Community Games AGM on Mon 28th Sept in Ennis Museum at 8pm. (Entry beside Temple Gate Hotel.) Community Games give children a chance to participate in a variety of leisure activities. Children can experience the fun factor of activities ranging from Art/Modelling to Field/Indoor games, athletics and much more. To achieve this WE NEED YOUR HELP. Our achievements for 2009 are displayed in the window of O'Connells Pharmacy, Abbey St. www.enniscommunitygames.net or Geraldine Sharkey Hon Secretary at 065 6821615.

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 running a programme, starting in October, called **MY CHILD, MY ROLE ? A programme for parents with children in care.** Topics will include: promoting positive access visits with your child, understanding the care system, self care and living through a changed relationship with your child. For information please contact Clare Advocacy Service, Clarecare 065 - 6828178

Clare Branch of the Irish Wheelchair Association, Urgently require volunteers to assist with social activities. If you have some spare time and would like to give a helping hand, please contact Catherine Early on 065 6844150.



Friary News

Election of the new **Secular Franciscan Order Council will take place in St. Anthony's Hall on Sunday Sept 27th at 3pm.** This election will determine the progress of the SFO for the next 3 years. All members are earnestly requested to be in attendance. From October, we hope to invite anyone affected in any way by the economic downturn to share in our monthly SFO Mass. We hope to include some special prayers and to invite those who wish to write out their intentions to leave them at the Friary Office for inclusion in the monthly Mass.

God never intended the Church to be a Refrigerator in which to preserve piety. God intended it to be an incubator in which to hatch new conversations, dialogues and the empowering of the community.

First Saturday Devotions

in honour of Our Lady of Fatima in Ennis Cathedral next Saturday. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with Confessions, Rosary & Benediction after 11am Mass.



Ennis Parish are looking for new members for the distribution of the Eucharistic during Mass, if you would like to be a Eucharistic Minister please leave your details into the Parish Office or with any of the Parish Team.

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm Mass for the People.
 Sun.:9am Paddy Hanrahan, 77 St Michaels Villas.
 10am Jason Wood, 8 Connolly Villas. Carmel O'Reilly, Clare Road. Nevin family, Fairview, Dublin.
 Johnny Griffey (1st Anniv) & parents Maura & Joe
 11am Tom Browne, Shannon & Ennis. 1st Anniv
 12.15pm Mary Browne, Upper Market St. 1st Anniv
 4.30pm Latin Mass Society.
 Mon:8am Moira Lynch, Mullagh
 10am Jim Kenny & deceased Kenny family, Corofin
 7.30pm Kitty Kelly, College Rd. 1st Anniv
 Tues.:8am Patrick Cahill, 8 Cahercalla Est & late Kilmaley
 10am Charlie McEnery, Circular Road.
 7.30pm Deceased Summerly family, 19 Hermitage
 Wed.:8am Frank Crowe, Knock, Kilrush.
 10am James Griffin, Ardlea Rd.
 7.30pm Nancy McAllister, 134 Circular Rd.
 Thurs.:8am Donors Intention.
 10am Patrick & Josephine Kelly, Ard na Greine.
 7.30pm Teresa Moroney, Hermitage.
 Fri.:8am Mass for the people.
 10am Thomas & Catherine Kearney, Summerhill.
 7.30pm Jimmy Fenton, Ard na Greine. MM
 Sat.:10am Noreen Greene, 5 College Pk.
 11am Bridget Singleton, late 48 Hermitage.
 6.30pm Elizabeth Guthrie, "St. Martins", Loughville. MM
 Sun.:9am Furseay O'Connor, Collins Park.
 10am Deceased Butler & Neville Families, Station Rd. Billy & Peggy Hogan late Corrovorrin/London. Louis & Mary Cronin & Michael Hoare, Clare Rd.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday, 4th October, 2009

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



Rest in Peace

Kathleen McGovern, St. Martins, College View, Clare Rd.; **Peggy Neary**, Corrovorrin Green; **John McGann**, Ard na Greine & Fergus Pk.; **Bernard (Bernie) Dilger**, Wexford, brother of Frances Nagle; **Dettie O'Loughlin**, nee Shanahan, Kilcurrish, Fountain; **Mary Bleach**, Scarriff sister of Gerard Griffin, Kilrush Road; **John Kenny**, Neal, Co. Mayo father of Mary O'Donnell, Ballybeg; **Kevin Quinn** late Lifford, Ennis & Greystones, son of the late Gracie & John Quinn, Lifford;

Priests October Collection

next weekend: Saturday & Sunday
 3rd/4th October

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

Unislim meetings held in Ennis Leisure Centre on Saturdays 10am-11.30am.

Wanted - Singers

Are you interested in being part of a new Folk Group at the Cathedral? If you are, please leave your name and number into the Parish Office.



Up-Coming Fundraising Events



Ennis Daycare Centre

- ◆ **Dance in Cois na hAbhna** on Friday 23rd October in aid of 'An Cuan'. Music by Larry McEvoy. Tickets: €10, from Parish Office.
- ◆ **Walk the Bypass** - Walk/Run/Jog - on Monday 26th October.
- ◆ **A return visit of the ever popular Morrision Orpheus Choir** from Wales, who will visit Ennis for a special concert here in the Cathedral on Saturday November 21st. All proceeds will go directly to Cuan an Chlair and the Fr Martin Keane Building of Hope Project in Kenya. Tickets: €15, from Parish office.



Today's Scripture Readings

With Inclusive Language



First Reading: Numbers 11:25-29

A reading from the Book of Numbers.

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, Look, he said, Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp. Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, My Lord Moses, stop them! Moses answered him, Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!

The word of the Lord



Responsorial Psalm

Response: .

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
It revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
It gives wisdom to the simple. **R.**

The fear of the Lord is holy,
Abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
And all of them just. **R.**

So in them your servant finds instruction;
Great reward is in their keeping.
But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me. **R.**

Second Reading: James 5:1-6

A reading from the letter of St. James.

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be

your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them - listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord,

Consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 9:38-43.45.47-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us.'

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

The Gospel of the Lord

