



Ennis Parish - Palm Sunday 29th March, 2015

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ *According to Mark*

N. It was two days before the Passover and the feast of Unleavened Bread, and the chief priests and the scribes were looking for a way to arrest Jesus by some trick and have him put to death. For they said

C. 'It must not be during the festivities, or there will be a disturbance among the people.'

N. Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper; he was at dinner when a woman came in with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment, pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the ointment on his head. Some who were there said to one another indignantly,

C. 'Why this waste of ointment? Ointment like this could have been sold for over three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor':

N. and they were angry with her. But Jesus said,

J. *'Leave her alone. Why are you upsetting her? What she has done for me is one of the good works. You have the poor with you always, and you can be kind to them whenever you wish, but you will not always have me. She has done what was in her power to do: she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. I tell you solemnly, wherever throughout all the world the Good News is proclaimed, what she has done will be told also, in remembrance of her.'*

N. Judas Iscariot, one of the twelve, approached the chief priests with an offer to hand Jesus over to them. They were delighted to hear it, and promised to give him money; and he looked for a way of betraying him when the opportunity should occur.

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to him,

C. 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?'

N. So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,

J. *'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.'*

N. The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

When evening came he arrived with the Twelve. And while they were at table eating, Jesus said,

J. *'I tell you solemnly, one of you is about to betray me, one of you eating with me.'*

N. They were distressed and asked him, one after another,

O. 'Not I, surely?'

N. He said to them,

J. *'It is one of the Twelve, one who is dipping into the same dish with me. Yes, the Son of Man is going to his fate, as the scriptures say he will, but alas for that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! Better for that man if he had never been born!'*

N. And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them, saying,

J. *'Take it; this is my body.'*

N. Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them and all drank from it, and he said to them,

J. *'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'*

N. After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives. And Jesus said to them

J. *'You will all lose faith, for the scripture says: "I shall strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered". However after my resurrection I shall go before you to Galilee.'*

N. Peter said

O. 'Even if all lose faith, I will not.'

N. And Jesus said to him,

J. *'I tell you solemnly, this day, this very night, before the cock crows twice, you will have disowned me three times.'*

N. But he repeated still more earnestly

O. 'If I have to die with you, I will never disown you.'

N. And they all said the same. They came to a small estate called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples,

J. *'Stay here while I pray.'*

N. Then he took Peter and James and John with him. And a sudden fear came over him, and great distress. And he said to them,

J. *'My soul is sorrowful to the point of death. Wait here, and keep awake.'*

N. And going on a little further he threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, this hour might pass him by. He said

J. *'Abba (Father)! Everything is possible for you. Take this cup away from me. But let it be as you, not I, would have it.'*

N. He came back and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter,

J. *'Simon are you asleep? Had you not the strength to keep awake one hour? You should be awake, and praying not to be put to the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak.'*

N. Again he went away and prayed, saying the same words. And once more he came back and found them sleeping, their eyes were so heavy; and they could find no answer for him. He came back a third time and said to them,

J. *'You can sleep on now and take your rest. It is all over. The hour has come. Now the Son of Man is to be betrayed into the hands of sinners. Get up! Let us go! My betrayer is close at hand already.'*

N. Even while he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, came up with a number of men armed with swords and clubs, sent by the chief priests and the scribes and the elders. Now the traitor had arranged a signal with them. He had said

O. 'The one I kiss, he is the man. Take him in charge and see he is well guarded when you lead him away.'

N. So when the traitor came, he went straight up to Jesus and said,

O. 'Rabbi!'

N. And kissed him. The others seized him and took him in charge. Then one of the bystanders drew his sword and struck out at the high priest's servant, and cut off his ear.

Then Jesus spoke,

J. *'Am I a brigand that you had to set out to capture me with swords and clubs? I was among you teaching in the Temple day after day and you never laid hands on me. But this is to fulfil the scriptures.'*

N. And they all deserted him and ran away. A young man who followed him had nothing on but a linen cloth. They caught hold of him, but he left the cloth in their hands and ran away naked. They led Jesus off to the high priest; and all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes assembled there. Peter had followed him at a distance, right into the high priest's palace, and was sitting with the attendants warming himself at the fire. The chief priests and the whole Sanhedrin were looking for evidence against Jesus on which they might pass the death-sentence. But they could not find any. Several, indeed, brought false evidence against him, but their evidence was conflicting. Some stood up and submitted this false evidence against him.

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



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: Teresa Blake, Clonroad. **1st Anniv**
Sun: 29th 9am: William & Guilfoyle family, Hermitage.
 John McMullin, McNamara Park.
 May & McEnery family, Kilrush Rd.
 Maurice Geary, Waterford, father of Maurice, Ennis.
10.30am: Jim Kitson, Laureen Drive.
 Thomas & Margaret Coughlan, Clonroadbeg.
 Elizabeth Maher, Clonroadbeg.
 Johnny & Madeline Arkins, Clonroad.
 Elizabeth (Baby) Collins, Park Row.
12 noon: Mary Keane, Clancy Park. **1st Anniv**
Mon: 7.45am: Jack, Deborah & Brother Niall
 McCarthy, Killarney
10am: Martha & William Costin, Limerick &
 McAuliffe family.
7.30pm: Penitential Service.
Tues: 7.45am: Book of Intentions.
10am: Thomas Whelan, Dalcassian Park.
 Ann Murphy, Dublin.
7.30pm: Sean & Bridget O'Keeffe, Ard na Gréine.
Wed: 7.45am: Forgotten Souls.
10am: Nurse Kathleen Duggan, Francis St.
7.30pm: Paddy Kennedy, Parnell St. **1st Anniv**
Holy Thurs: 7.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper.
Good Fri: 3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion.
Holy Sat: 3.30pm: Blessing of Polish Breakfast Food.
9pm: Easter Vigil Mass.
Easter Sun 5th: 9am, 10.30am & 12noon
1.15pm: Polish Easter Sunday Mass.

Roster for Cathedral:

Easter Sunday 5th April, 2015

Readers: Group 4

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 29th 9.30am: Ciara Fox, Hermitage.
11am: Jane & Paddy Coffey, McNamara Pk.
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 9.30am: Joan Summerly, Brookville.
Holy Thurs 8pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper.
Good Fri 3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Supper.
Holy Sat 9pm: Easter Vigil Mass.
Easter Sun: 9.30am & 11am.

St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Joe Skelly, New Road.
Sun 29th March 8am: Michael Foley, Fergus Park.
10am: Coughlan Family, Marian Ave.
11.30am: Maureen O'Keeffe, Lifford Rd.
Mon 11am: Edwin Twomey, Mellor, Blackburn.
Tues 11am: Patrick & Michael Cleary, Clancy Park.
Wed 11am: Kieran Mulkere, London & Crusheen.
1st Anniv
Holy Thu 7pm: Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper.
Good Fri 3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion.
Holy Sat 7pm: Easter Vigil Mass.
Easter Sun 5th April: 8am, 10am & 11.30am.

Hospital & Sick Calls

29th March, 2015

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom O'Gorman: 065 6869098

Wednesday: 1st April

Fr. Ger Fitzgerald: 065 6869098

Friary



Monthly meeting: Secular Franciscan Order,
 Friary Wed 1st April 10am · St. Anthony's Hall 7.30pm.

Hour of Prayer for Peace will be led by members of
 the SFO at the Poor Clare Chapel on the First
 Saturday 4th April from 4.30pm to 5.30.

Easter Ceremonies in Ennis

Cathedral:

Holy Thursday, 2nd April:

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30pm.
 Adoration of Blessed Sacrament at Altar of Repose.
 Holy Hour 8.30pm – 9.30pm.

The Friary:

Thursday, Friday & Saturday - Morning Prayer at 10am.

Holy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6.30pm.
 Procession to Altar of Repose in Poor Clare Monastery Chapel.
 Adoration until 10pm with Night Prayer at 9.45pm in Poor Clare's Chapel.

St. Joseph's:

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper & Procession to Altar of Repose at 7pm.
 Adoration until 9pm.

Cloughleigh:

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8pm. Adoration until 10pm.

Cahercalla:

Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6pm.

Good Friday, 3rd April:

Cathedral:

Stations of the Cross at 11am.
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm.
 "The Cross". Prayer and Reflection Around The Cross at 9pm

The Friary:

Liturgy of the Passion at 5pm.
 Reflection on the Passion at 8pm

St. Joseph's:

Stations of the Cross at 11am.
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm

Cloughleigh:

Outdoor Stations at 10.30am - Ros na Ri, Shanaway Rd.
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm.

Cahercalla:

Stations of the Cross at 2pm.

Holy Saturday, 4th April:

Cathedral:

Morning Prayer at 11am.
 Blessing of Polish Breakfast Food: 3.30pm.
Easter Vigil Mass at 9pm and Prayer of Waiting
 (*Note: No 6.30pm Mass this Evening.*)

The Friary:

Easter Vigil at 9pm. (*Note: No 7.30pm Mass this Evening.*)

St. Joseph's:

Easter Vigil Mass at 7pm.

Cloughleigh:

Easter Vigil Mass at 9pm.

Easter Sunday, 5th April:

Cathedral:

9am, 10.30am & 12 noon
 Polish Easter Sunday Mass 1.15pm

The Friary:

9.30am, 10.30am & 12 noon

St. Joseph's:

8am, 10am & 11.30am

Cloughleigh:

9.30am & 11am

Cahercalla:

10.30am

Poor Clare's Monastery

All ceremonies take place in The Franciscan Friary Church. See above for details.

Easter Sunday: Mass at 7.45am.

Dawn Mass

Old Graveyard, Drumcliffe

Easter Sunday 6am

TROCAIRE

Working for a Just World

Trócaire Collection will be taken up
 at Good Friday Solemn Liturgies.



Newly Baptised

We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:
 Michael Joseph Crowley; Kevin Robert Davies; Sophia Anna Regan.

Penitential Services

Monday 30th March 7.30pm: Ennis Cathedral (Liturgy by Abbey Cluster).

Tuesday 10.30am: Friary.

Wednesday at 1.05pm: Friary. (No 1.05pm Mass)

Confessions at the Cathedral

Holy Thursday & Good Friday after Solemn Ceremonies & during Prayer around Cross-Liturgy 9pm

Holy Saturday: 11am – 1pm.; 2pm – 6pm.; 7pm – 8.30pm.

Confessions at the Friary

Tuesday to Holy Saturday: 11am – 1pm & 2pm – 6pm (except during ceremonies)

Confessions at St. Joseph's Church

Holy Thursday after Solemn Ceremonies.

Good Friday 10am—11am.

Confessions at Cloughleigh Church

Holy Thursday & Good Friday after Solemn Ceremonies.



Consecrated Life

I consider myself extremely lucky to have had the good fortune to be educated by the Sisters of Mercy in Spanish Point Secondary school for five years. I have the most wonderful memories of my time there. I remember my teachers with such fondness; Sr. Lucia, the best home economics' teacher in Ireland, Sr. Eileen, the most inspirational English teacher ever, Sr. Francis, who gave me my love of geography and history. Sr. Baptist, who facilitated amazing discussion on very challenging topics in religion class. Our music teachers Srs. Joan & Goretti, now sadly deceased, who gave me my first taste of classical music. The Eine Kleine Nacht Music is still one of my favourite pieces of music.

These sisters were truly wonderful women who dedicated their lives to our education. We really do owe them a huge debt of gratitude. I know for sure that I would never have achieved so much in my life without their teaching and inspiration- to study in Trinity College, to having a life-long, love of reading and poetry. I am forever grateful to the Sisters of Mercy.

*Anna Marie Darmody, Dep. Principal,
Holy Family Senior School, Ennis.*

As part of the Easter Ceremonies during Holy Week, A garment is sewn together from pieces of material gathered from people in the Community. If you would like to be part of the garment you may leave a piece of material in the box on the sanctuary in the Cathedral.



Live the Word: How you think has a powerful impact on your daily life. If you think negatively, you will experience negative situations. If you think positively, you will experience positive situations. You have the power over how you think and how you experience Life.

Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) takes place this Sunday 5th April at 5.30pm in St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



Chapel Lane Market takes place on Easter Saturday April 4th from 10am -5pm. We look forward to welcoming you all to the Community Centre on Chapel Lane.

Small jewellery item found in grounds of St. Joseph's Church. 087 0934413

Drop-in Meditation Class, "Mind Your Mind", Buddhist based, open to all. Mondays, 1-2pm (except Easter Monday) till end of April, Maria Assumpta Hall. €8, waged, €5 unwaged. Deirdre: 087-3922538

Maths & physics grinds for all levels now available. Alex 086 6090337.

Migraine Association of Ireland Seminar Clarion Hotel, Limerick, Thurs 9th April 7- pm.

Easter Triduum at Esker Retreat Centre: Holy Thursday evening to Easter Sunday Morning. Three days of meditation and prayer in preparation for Easter, facilitated by Fr. Denis Luddy C.Ss.R. More details contact 091 844549 or www.redemptoristsesker.ie

Lenten Reflections: A one page reflection on each Sunday Gospel called Hearing, Happening, Hoping can be downloaded from the Killaloe Diocesan website <http://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/diocesan-news/scripture-in-lent.html>. All six Sundays are available now.

Matt Talbot Novena, Tulla: Takes place Wed. at 7pm in SS Peter & Paul's Church. The Preacher this week 1st April is: Fr. Cletus OFM; "Blessing of St. Anthony" (Pray for the dead)

Woodland Walk in Dromore Woods, Ruan, Easter Monday April 6th commencing 12 Noon. Enjoy nature at its best with a stroll through the woods; great day out for all the family. Everyone welcome. Donations to Cahercalla Hospice on the Day.

Rice College Supervised Study will be provided by John Burns every day during the Easter Holidays, except Good Friday. Starting Saturday 29th March and running every day up to and including Sunday 12th April. 9am to 5pm daily, with breaks and 12pm to 5.30pm Sundays. Enquiries to John on 0872766338. Please do not phone the school office.

Well done everybody! It is encouraging to see so many people out and about cleaning, painting, picking up litter and planting. Remember YOUR INVOLVEMENT is crucial for Ennis to retain its Gold Medal Status and regain Ireland's Tidiest Large Urban Centre.

Eggciting Easter camp at the Holy family kids' club, fun filled activities, art, crafts and bakes from Mon 30th March -Thurs 2nd April 9am-1pm €45. Limited spaces available book with Lara 0868438888. Now taking bookings for free ECCE preschool and July summer camps.

Ennis based youth music project 'Guitarchestra', glór March 28th, 8pm. Tickets from www.glor.ie / 065-6843103.

Bishop's & Priests' Easter Collection will be taken up at all masses next weekend

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday, 22nd March, €7,195.00

Abbey Cluster Easter Penitential Service. Cathedral Monday 30th March 7.30pm.



Invitation to parishes of the Abbey Cluster
"God's love...let it flow"

Celebrating God's love in forgiveness
Made visible in his son Jesus.
All invited.. All welcome.

Pilgrimages

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: Fri June 26th, returning Wedn July 1st. €687 per person sharing with a €10 discount for online booking at www.joewalshstours.ie. Booking forms can be obtained from: Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot Street, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 2410800. Book online at www.joewalshstours.ie get €10 discount. A limited number of Sick pilgrims will be accommodated in the Sanctuary of Lourdes at a cost of €575. Applications for sick pilgrims only to Fr. Tom Ryan, Pilgrimage Director, SS John & Paul Presbytery, Shannon. Tel: (061) 364133.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock, Sunday 5th July, sharing with Ferns as we have in previous years. Specific details will be announced at a later date.

Ennis Padre Pio Trip to Rome, Bari, and San Giovanni: Oct 12th - 19th; €975p.p.s.; All taxes included; Leader Mary O'Sullivan; Spiritual Director: Fr. Tom Hogan; Visiting St Peter's Basilica, Colosseum, and Trevi Fountain. Papal Audience with Pope Francis. Visit the tomb of Padre Pio. Contact Mary 087 1247669.

Baby Easter Chicks with Cream Egg €3 each/2 for €5 for sale in Parish Office



Bingo Great prizes; Jackpot: €1,500;
In Community Centre in aid of Cuan an Chláir;
Sunday from 8pm.

Sale of Work 2nd Hand Goods
Community Centre, Chapel Lane
Wed, Thurs, Fri & Sat. from 11am-3pm.

C. 'We heard him say, "I am going to destroy this Temple made by human hands, and in three days build another, not made by human hands".'

N. But even on this point their evidence was conflicting. The high priest then stood up before the whole assembly and put this question to Jesus,

O. 'Have you no answer to that? What is this evidence these men are bringing against you'

N. But he was silent and made no answer at all. The high priest put a second question to him,

O. 'Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed One?'

N. Jesus said

J. *I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power and coming with the clouds of heaven.'*

N. The high priest tore his robes, and said,

O. 'What need of witnesses have we now? You heard the blasphemy. What is your finding?'

N. And they all gave their verdict: he deserved to die.

Some of them started spitting at him and, blindfolding him, began hitting him with their fists and shouting

C. **'Play the prophet!'**

N. And the attendants rained blows on him.

While Peter was down below in the courtyard, one of the high priest's servant-girls came up. She saw Peter warming himself there, stared at him and said

O. 'You too were with Jesus, the man from Nazareth.'

N. But he denied it saying,

O. 'I do not know, I do not understand, what you are talking about.'

N. And he went out into the forecourt. The servant-girl saw him and again started telling the bystanders,

O. This fellow is one of them.'

N. But he again denied it. A little later the bystanders themselves said to Peter,

C. **'You are one of them for sure! Why, you are a Galilean.'**

N. But he started calling curses on himself and swearing,

O. 'I do not know the man you speak of.'

N. At that moment the cock crew for the second time, and Peter recalled how Jesus had said to him, 'Before the cock crows twice, you will have disowned me three times.' And he burst into tears.

First thing in the morning, the chief priests together with the elders and scribes, in short the whole Sanhedrin, had their plan ready.

They had Jesus bound and took him away and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate questioned him,

O. 'Are you the king of the Jews?'

N. He answered ,

J. 'It is you who say it.'

N. And the chief priests brought many accusations against him.

Pilate questioned him again,

O. 'Have you no reply at all? See how many accusations they are bringing against you!'

N. But, to Pilate's amazement, Jesus made no further reply.

At festival time Pilate used to release a prisoner for them, anyone they asked for. Now a man called Barabbas was then in prison with the rioters who had committed murder during the uprising. When the crowd went up and began to ask Pilate the customary favour, Pilate answered them,

O. 'Do you want me to release for you the king of the Jews?'

N. For he realised it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed Jesus over. The chief priests, however, had incited the crowd to demand that he should release Barabbas for them instead. Then Pilate spoke again.

O. 'But in that case, what am I to do with the man you call king of the Jews?'

N. They shouted back,

C. **'Crucify him!'**

N. Pilate asked them,

O. 'Why? What harm has he done?'

N. But they shouted all the louder,

C. **'Crucify him!'**

N. So Pilate, anxious to placate the crowd, released Barabbas for them and, having ordered Jesus to be scourged, handed him over to be crucified. The soldiers led him away to the inner part of the palace, that is, the Praetorium, and called the whole cohort together. They dressed him up in purple, twisted some thorns into a crown and put it on him. And they began saluting him,

C. **'Hail, king of the Jews!'**

N. They struck his head with a reed and spat on him; and they went down on their knees to do him homage. And when they had finished making fun of him, they took off the purple and dressed him in his own clothes. They led him out to crucify him. They enlisted a passer-by, Simon of Cyrene, father of Alexander and Rufus, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross. They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha, which means the place of the skull. They offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he refused it. Then they crucified him, and shared out his clothing, casting lots to decide what each should get. It was the third hour w

hen they crucified him. The inscription giving the charge against him read: 'The King of the Jews'. And they crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left.

The passers-by jeered at him; they shook their heads and said,

C. **'Aha! So you would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days! Then save yourself: come down from the cross!'**

N. The chief priests and the scribes mocked him among themselves in the same way. They said

C. 'He saved others, he cannot save himself. Let the Christ, the king of Israel, come down from the cross now, for us to see it and believe.'

N. Even those who were crucified with him taunted him. When the sixth hour came there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour and at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

J. 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?'

N. This means 'My God, my God, why have you deserted me?'

When some of those who stood by heard this, they said,

C. **'Listen, he is calling on Elijah.'**

N. Someone ran and soaked a sponge in vinegar and, putting it on a reed, gave it him to drink saying,

O. 'Wait and see if Elijah will come to take him down.'

N. But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last.

And the veil of the Temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The centurion, who was standing in front of him, had seen how he had died, and he said,

O. 'In truth this man was a son of God.'

N. There were some women watching from a distance. Among them were Mary of Magdala, Mary who was the mother of James the younger and Joset, and Salome. These used to follow him and look after him when he was in Galilee. And there were many other women there who had come up to Jerusalem with him. It was now evening, and since it was Preparation Day (that is, the vigil of the sabbath), there came Joseph of Arimathaea, a prominent member of the Council, who himself lived in the hope of seeing the kingdom of God, and he boldly went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate, astonished that he should have died so soon, summoned the centurion and enquired if he was already dead. Having been assured of this by the centurion, he granted the corpse to Joseph who brought a shroud, took Jesus down from the cross, wrapped him in the shroud and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the entrance to the tomb.

Mary of Magdala and Mary the mother of Joset were watching and took note of where he was laid.