



# 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

### Phone Numbers:

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Friary: 6828751

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

## 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 2nd August, 2009

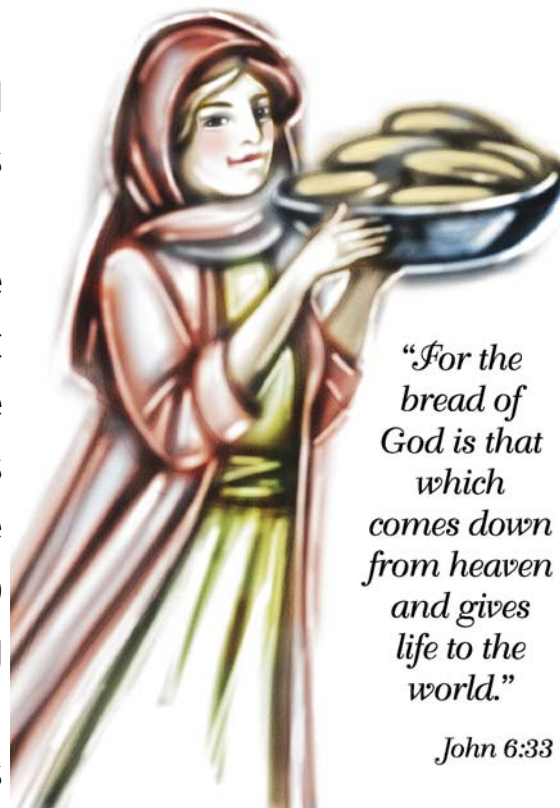
### *I am the bread of life!*

Today we hear what Jesus said to the crowd who wanted to make him king for feeding him. Their reaction was understandable. They had been fed for nothing. Jesus on the other hand wanted to make his position clear.

You are looking for me because you have not understood the sign of the multiplied bread was saying about me', he brings them down to earth. What was it saying about him? He tells them; "What you have to do is believe in me".

We need to make a living. We must feed, clothe and house ourselves. The car and phone might even be regarded as

essentials. Jesus would recognise that. But he would say; "You must get a balance back into your life."



*"For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."*

*John 6:33*

We could have all the essentials in the world, but our inner needs are satisfied in a different way. And Jesus came to show us how. For example, in last Sunday's gospel he left the crowd and went into the hills. Hear we have a definite clue from the life of Jesus as to how we are to live a Christ centred life. The silence of prayer is indispensable if we are to "become less so that he

becomes great". And this must be an essential part of our day. In what other way are we to achieve balance in our live?

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

### Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 2nd August, 2009  
Priest on Duty  
Please contact Parish Office at:  
065 6824043

### Clonmacnois Youth Festival 2009



"Know that the living God is with You"

13th to 16th August - no cost donation only. (16—35 years). Information from: Youth 2000 office at 01-6753690 or [www.youth2000.ie](http://www.youth2000.ie)

#### MONASTIC EXPERIENCE

Weekend for Women Carmelite Monastery, Delgany, Co. Wicklow. Single women interested in finding out more about A Carmelite Monastic Vocation are invited to join in our life of prayer, liturgy and work for the weekend 28<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> August. preferred age 25 – 45. For more information visit our website: [www.carmelite-monastery-delgany.ie](http://www.carmelite-monastery-delgany.ie) email: [contact@carmelite-monastery-delgany.ie](mailto:contact@carmelite-monastery-delgany.ie) or write to: Prioress, Carmelite Monastery, Delgany, Co. Wicklow.

### Knock Shrine

#### Up Coming Events:

Knock Shrine Novena will take place from August 14th to 22nd inclusive. There will be two sessions daily; 3pm and 8.30pm. Both sessions include concelebrated Mass.



#### National Grandparents' Pilgrimage

Sunday 13th September; Celebrant: Cardinal Seán Brady; Guest Singers: Fr. Liam Lawton and Dana. Children's Prayer Appeal: Invitation to all Grandchildren to write a prayer for their Grandparents. All prayers will be blessed at the pilgrimage. 2pm Anointing of the Sick with music and song; 3pm Pilgrimage Mass followed by Eucharistic Adoration.

Our Lady's School of Evangelisation, St. Michael's House, Knock, Co. Mayo. Empowering young men & women for life. Thinking of a Gap year, wanting a Career Break or looking for more meaning in life. Now recruiting for Sept 09; 18-35 year olds. Discover the Special plan God has for you. [www.olseknock.com](http://www.olseknock.com)

### Fr. Michael McNamara

November 1944 - July 2009



The initial disbelief and shock at the sudden death of Fr. Michael McNamara was replaced by a sense of loss of a valued and loved friend. His warm manner, broad smile and genuine love of people made everyone feel special in his company. He always had time for the chat and for company. Games were replayed, political dilemmas were sorted out, friendships were traced and made, you felt blessed by his goodness. For so many he was known as Fr. Mac or Micky Mac – teacher, priest, colleague, family man, friend. He was the eldest of a family of five born to Ger and Janey McNamara in the Parish of Kilmaley. Fr. Michael served as priest of the Killaloe Diocese for 40 years. He studied for the priesthood at St. Patrick's College Maynooth and was ordained in Kilmaley Church in 1969. After ordination he was appointed to the staff of St. Flannan's College Ennis as Dean of Studies. In 1971 he was appointed temporary assistant to Shannon and 1973 he undertook a course at Swansea University, Wales, on Youth and Community Services. In July 1974 he was appointed to the staff of St Patrick's Comprehensive School, Shannon. Since July 2001 he has served in the parish of Doora Barefield, first as Curate and since 2005 as Parish Priest. He was Chaplain to St. Flannan's College, Spiritual Director to Divine Mercy and was always ready and available to Celebrate Mass as Gaeilge.

*A leithéid féin ní feicfear arís.*



### Killaloe Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes

leaves Shannon Airport on Tue, Sept 22 for 5 days, returning Sun Sept 27. Cost is €660 per person sharing. (This is the cheapest pilgrimage price to Lourdes this year). Booking forms available from The Parish Office or from Joe Walsh Tours, Dublin @ 016789926.

### Maoinceoil an Chlair *the gift of music*

Is the leading music school in Ennis with 15 years of experience in teaching Irish traditional and classical music. Now giving lessons in Uilleann Pipes and Banjo. Want to talk to our music teachers and Staff? Why don't you come to our 'open day' on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2009 from 10am to 2pm at MCC or phone 065 6841774



### Castlerock Montessori/Pre School

now enrolling for September 09. Limited class size, morning sessions, Mon-Fri 9-12. Book now to avail of the free pre school year for 2010. Qualified, experienced Montessori teacher. Contact Rita: 087 2265819 or at 33 Castlerock, Tulla Rd.

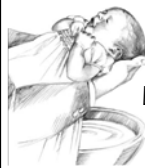
Grinds available in Irish & French both oral and written. Teacher experienced, all levels and ages catered for. Contact: 086 212 9186

Rockmount Montessori, Rockmount Manor, Ennis—Small private Montessori - A few places remain available for September. Book now for 2010-2012 to avail of the free preschool year introduced by Budget 2009. Children 2years 9mths to school going. Contact Edel at 065/6864801 or 086 8125871.

### Walk the Ancient Pilgrim Path 2009



Step back in time-walk in the footsteps of your ancestors at Lough Derg - Sunday 16th August 2009. Join us, support us and celebrate with us –that is the message from Lough Derg as they launch the first ever 'Ancient Pilgrim Path Walk' as part of an inaugural National Day event.



### Newly Baptised

We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Annie Maureen O'Keeffe; David Thomas Keating; Robert, Patrik & David Balog; Jan Sivak; Mia Zoe Schembri-Hassett; Cillian Francis Hogan; Tia Zoe Joyce-McCarthy; Chloe Charelle O'Brien; Lauren Ann Gibbons.

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 26th July, €8,251.00



## St. Joseph's

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Birdie & Kieran Naughton, 9 Corrovorrin Grn.  
 Sun 10am: Eddy Casey, Marian Avenue. 1st Anniv.  
 11.30am: Betty Mounsey, 10 Marian Avenue.  
 Tues 11am: Connie Daly, Stammer Park.  
 Wed 11am: Joan Scanlon, St Senans Rd.  
 Fri 11am: Jim O'Keefe, Rathdowney.  
 Fri 7.30pm: Colm Flynn, 45 Corrovorrin Drive.  
 Sat 11am: Maura Finn, 5 Oak Park.  
 7pm: Eddy Casey, Marian Avenue. 1st Anniv.  
 Sun 9th 10am: Patrick Carmody, 25 Kincora Park.  
 11.30am: Gerry Leyden, 11 Steeles Terrace.



## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 9.30am: Cathering Guy, Circular Rd.  
 Tues 9.30am: Morgan & Mary Finnuane, Lahinch.  
 Wed 9.30am: Michael & Moira Madigan, Lahinch Rd.  
 Sun 9th 9.30am:  
 Coote family late 22 Connolly Villas & England.



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

**Clare Hospice at Cahercalla;** Weekly Draw Results; Year 9 Week 6, Tuesday, July 28th 2009; 1st Prize €635: Michael Murrhy, Kildysart; 2nd Prize €127: Mary Hanrahan, Lissycasey.



### Mothers' Support Group



Do you live in the Ennis Area? Have you recently had a baby? Have you experienced difficulties since the birth of your baby? Have you had difficulty coping? Would you like to attend a mothers' support group, sharing experiences, learning new coping skills, and meeting other mothers. You are very welcome to attend a newly formed Mothers support group and coffee morning, in the Community Resource House, Gordon Drive, Cloughleigh Ennis. On Tue 4th Aug at 11.30am. For more details contact Margaret Hackett Public Health Nurse On 065 6828525. Mon - Fri 9.30-5pm

*No God - No Peace?  
 Know God - Know Peace.*

## Taizé 2009



42 young people from Killaloe Diocese who travelled on pilgrimage to Taizé with Fr. Jerry in July.



## Friary News

Monthly Mass and meeting of the Secular Franciscan Order will take place in the Friary at 10am and in St. Anthony's Hall at 7pm on Wednesday August 5th.

*No 8am Mass in St. Joseph's or in The Cathedral, on this Bank Holiday Monday.*

## SAMARITANS

Can be contacted by phone 6829777 or 185060 90 90. Any person of any age can visit the Samaritans (Kilrush Road), any day between 12noon & 10pm.

### The Tabernacle

Housed in gold upon the altar  
 The Lord of each one reigns ...  
 Majestic, never aloof or haughty,  
 Hearing our prayers and pains.  
 Never too busy to hear our story,  
 Ever ready to heal  
 Broken hearts and shattered lives  
 As each one we reveal.

Would that we could be like Him  
 In all we think and do ...  
 Loving God so much that we  
 Are tabernacles, too

Margaret Peterson

**Clare Money Advice & Budgeting Service:** Would you like to manage your money better? Finding it hard meeting loan repayments or making ends meet, MABS can help you manage your debts and plan a budget. This is a Free, Independent & Confidential Service. Phone 6841991 for an appointment in your area.

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat:6.30 Michael Moroney, Limerick Rd. 1st Anniv.  
 Sun.:9am Matt & Mai Cunningham, Clare Rd.  
 10am Ann Griffin, Shanaway Rd.  
 George & Maura Guilfoyle, 56 McNamara Pk.  
 11am Thomas Scanlan, 19 Clancy Pk& 35 Clarehill.  
 12 .15pm Helen Cassidy, Marian Ave & Bishops Ct MM  
 Mon: **No 8am Mass**  
 10am Niall McCullough, 4 Dalcassian Drive.  
 7.30pm Tom Kelly, Kilrush Rd.  
 Tues.:8am Sheila Casey, 20 Dalcassian Ave.  
 10am Mons. Patrick Kearney, San Diego & Ennis.  
 7.30pm Martin & Catherine Brody, 12 Limerick Rd.  
 Wed.:8am Holy Souls.  
 10am Martin Power, Cahercalla Rd.  
 7.30pm Mary Hehir, late 127 Hermitage.  
 Thurs.:8am Mary Leane, Brian & Catherine Sheehan, 16 Drumbiggle Drive.  
 10am Mary Roughan & dec'd family membs, Clare Rd.  
 7.30pm Jimmy & Teresa Considine late 4 Considine Tce & daughter Maura O'Halloran.  
 Fri.:8am Mass for the people.  
 10am Tom Joe Coffey, Tobartaoscain.  
 7.30pm P.J Neylon, 22 Connolly Villas.  
 Sat.:10am Pickford family, Drumbiggle Rd.  
 11am Angela Kelly, Hazelwood.  
 6.30pm Mary Mgt Hennessy, College Green. 1st Anniv  
 Sun.:9am Jim Quinlivan, Lower Market St.  
 10am Mary & Martin Power, late 39 O'Connell St.  
 Jim Hearne, Clonroadbeg  
 Patrick Griffin, 30 McNamara Park.  
 11am Bridie Reynolds, Moohana. MM  
 12.15pm Eileen Guilfoyle McMahan, 105 Hermitage MM

### Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 9th August, 2009

Readers: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



**Appeal to Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for all Churches.** Now that Summertime is with us, please check roster and if unable to attend, try and get a replacement. Readers: please come to Sacristy before Mass and Eucharistic Ministers who are not rostered, please come to offer help before Mass.

### Rest in Peace



Mary Teresa O'Dowd, Ballycroy, Co. Mayo sister of Sr. Pius, St Xaviers Convent of Mercy;  
 Dr. Noel McCarthy, USA & formerly Cusack Rd; Pat O'Hanlon, Shanaway Rd; David Russell, 1 Abbeyville;  
 Fr. Michael McNamara, Parish Priest Doora-Barefield;  
 Fr. Neil Campion, Parish Priest Killimer;

### Sign of Peace



Some people have suggested that the handshake at the Sign of Peace should be suspended as a precaution in relation to the swine flu. The HSE has advised us that such a suspension is unnecessary. They advise however that people with flu symptoms should absent themselves from any gatherings. We should of course respect the fears of someone who may prefer to smile or wave the hand as the sign of peace.



# Today's Scripture Readings

With Inclusive Language



## First Reading Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

A reading from the Book of Exodus.

The whole community of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!

Then the Lord said to Moses, Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the days portion; I propose to test them this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.

I have heard the complaints of the people of Israel. Say this to them, Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God. And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powder, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the people of Israel said to one another, What is that? not knowing what it was. That said Moses to them is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.

*The word of the Lord*



## Responsorial Psalm

Response:

**The lord gave them bread from heaven.**

The things we have heard and understood,  
the things our ancestors have told us,  
we will tell to the next generation:  
the glories of the Lord and his might. **R.**

He commanded the clouds above  
and opened the gates of heaven.  
He rained down manna for their food,  
and gave them bread from heaven. **R.**

Mere people ate the bread of angels.  
He sent them abundance of food.  
He brought them to his holy land,  
to the mountain which his right hand had won. **R.**

## Second Reading Ephesians 4:17.20-24

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him

properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

*The word of the Lord*

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;  
No one can come to the Father except through me.  
Alleluia!*

## Gospel

*John 6:24-35*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,  
you are not looking for me  
because you have seen the signs

but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last,  
but work for food that endures to eternal life,  
the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you,  
for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our ancestors had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,  
it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven,  
it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven,  
the true bread;  
for the bread of God  
is that which comes down from heaven  
and gives life to the world.'

'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered:  
'I am the bread of life.

He who comes to me will never be hungry;  
he who believes in me will never thirst.'

*The Gospel of the Lord*

