



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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Friary: 6828751

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 4th October, 2009

Reaching out to Others

During the mission month of October, Christians are invited to reach out, to be childlike. Jesus invites us to be childlike, not childish. To be childish implies irresponsibility, immaturity and throwing tantrums if one does not get one's way. To be childlike is something different.

Children are humble people. They are open and ready to learn. As children they have not yet learnt to think in terms of pride and prestige. A child is yet to discover his or her own importance. What the child will become later depends on the guidance or misguidance of adults.

Children are generally obedient. It is possible that children can sometimes be disobedient but it is also true that the general instinct of all children is to obey. Children as they are, have not yet learnt the pride and the false importance that always put people apart from each other and ultimately from God.

Children are people of great trust! They trust their parents and their teachers who, to them, know it all and so they are always right. The child is aware of his or her ignorance and helplessness and so looks up to someone who

according to him / her knows better. Children expect the best out of the world and they are not suspicious of it. Unfortunately some people sometimes abuse this great trust.

Children have short memories. They do not keep grudges, or nourish bitterness. They easily forget completely to the extent that forgiveness is not necessary.

So when Jesus says 'unless you become like little children you will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven', he is calling us back to our lost childhood.

He is calling all of us, young or old, to be born again in the innocent character of humility, obedience, trust and to forgive and to forget. With these tools we can 'Reach Out' to others and to the Kingdom Of God.

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What's on this week?

Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 4th Oct 2009

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom Hogan ☎065 6824043

Wednesday Duty:

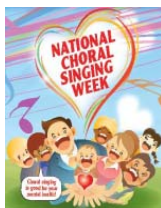
Fr. Tom O Gorman ☎065 6840715



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."

Singing is good for your mental health

and Ennis Mental Health Association is hosting a fabulous, free concert for Clare Mental Health Week 2009. On Friday the 9th October Regina Nathan, the Ennis Youth Choir, Cantare Chamber Choir, Ennis Gospel Choir and the Forever Young Choir join forces in a fantastic line up in the Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis at 8pm. Clare Mental Health Week events aims to promote *Friendship and Community* through talks from health and community experts, concerts, community meetings, stress reduction classes, hugathons and a Burren walk. **All events are free.** For information contact mentalhealthweek@hse.ie or 065 6865847.



Do you have 2 hours free on Tuesday or Thursday?

Help required in homework club in the Ennis area from 4.30–6.30pm. Funding also required, all donations greatly appreciated. Contact Patricia 086 6009137



Munster open vocations Day

An afternoon of Reflection, Conversation with Prayer on Sunday 4th October 2-5pm at pallottine College, Thurles. Contact: Fr. Pat Coffey 086 2427728; Sr. Phyllis Moynihan RSM 087 9636893; Fr. Emmet O' Hara SCA 087 7542116.

Fr Denis Hartnet & Fr Fox from Mill Hill Missionaries would like to thank the people of Ennis for the hospitality and generosity on their recent visit.

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

An invitation and welcome to all to the second night of Matt Talbot Novena which takes place Tuesday October 6th at 7pm in SS John & Paul Church, Shannon. The Preacher will be Rev Liam Enright, Croom Diocesan Catechetical Advisor. Each week praying for all suffering or sharing in the life of addictions. The Novena continues each Tuesday night in October and November. Come along and bring a friend.



Bingo commencing this Thursday Oct 8th in The Pavillion Hall, Lisdoonvarna, doors open at 8pm, games begin at 8.30pm. Proceeds raised will go to a new Cystic Fibrosis Adult Outpatients for patients age 16 and up. Your support would be much appreciated.

Ennis Old Folks Club will resume on Monday 12th October at 8.30pm in the Community Centre, Chapel Lane. All are welcome. Transport can be arranged, Contact Martin 087 9033682

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

Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire, Newmarket on Fergus celebrates its 50th anniversary this year. Celebrations begin October 4th with Mass in the village church at 11am followed by reception in the school. The Board of Management and Jubilee Committee of Scoil na Maighdine Mhuire invite all past pupils, former staff members and extended community of Newmarket on Fergus to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the opening of the school. Further information please call 061 368333.



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

Do you have a disability or a mental health difficulty? Would you like some assistance to get a job? Clare Supported Employment Service has helped many people with a disability or a mental health difficulty to become employed. For further information contact Alice on 6844007 or info@claresupportedemployment.ie or log onto www.claresupportedemployment.ie

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



DAY FOR LIFE

4th October - 'You are precious in my sight'

Day for Life – the day in the Church's year dedicated to celebrating the dignity of life from conception to natural death – will this year focus on the theme of suicide. The main emphasis of Day for Life in 2009 will be on the pastoral dimensions of this difficult and sensitive subject. It will highlight why the Church believes that every life is worth living and look at the reasons why people contemplate suicide, including acute mental illness and the possible spiritual factors involved. It will also point towards the support that the professional services can bring and hopefully help to reduce the stigma too often associated with mental illness and depression.



Bishops' letter available at church doors.
Samaritans: 1850 60 90 90
Turning the tide of Suicide: www.3ts.ie

Newly Baptised



We welcomed the following into the Christian Community: Nathan Thomas Molloy; Darek Dariuz Tamróz; Gracjan Dominik Luc; Ciarán Gerard Considine; Aoife Mary Cusack; Christopher Séamus Curley.

Open AA meeting on Tuesday October 6th @ 8.30pm in St Anthony's Hall. All are welcome. AA can and does change lives

Ennis Prayer Group You are heartily welcome to share with us Life in the Spirit . Seminar at St Anthony's Hall, Francis St on Tuesday Oct 6th @ 8pm. Speaker Sr. Helen Byrne D.G followed by chat and cup of tea. **"Now is the Time"**

Sean nos dancing classes in Cois na hAbhna on Tues night 7pm for children & 8pm for adults.

Coffee Morning in aid of Clare Youth Service 9th October at the HUB, (beside Community Centre) Chapel Lane from 10am onwards...Coffee & Cake €2

Tai chi Classes, commencing Wednesday October 14th, 7–8.30pm at CBS Bunscoil contact Norman 086 3639948. **Inwardly strong like a Buddha's Warrior**

Bus to Clonfert on Wednesday 21st October. Leaving St. Joseph's car park at 9.15am. Bring a packed lunch. Contact Maura @ 065 6825739.

Little Angels @ Holy Family Kids club is for children aged 2 1/2-5 years. The pre school is open from 9am-12.30pm Monday-Friday. We are having a registration day on Monday 12th October from 2:50pm-5pm. Please contact Lara on 086 843 8888 for preschool and after school enquiries.



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 27th September, €8,819.00



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week

Sun 10am: Michael, Eileen & Noreen Hogan, Corrovorrin Green.

11.30am: Annie & Peter Barry, Shanaway Rd.

Thu 11am : Sr. Roberta Hayes, Texas & Ruan. MM

Sat 11am: Pat McInerney, Corrovorrin Green.

7pm: Anna McLoughlin, Ard na Greine.

Sun 11th 10am: Martin Byrnes, Gort Rd.

11.30am: Michael Byrt, Marian Avenue

Taizé Prayer - Prayer using the songs of Taizé, reading from Scripture and some quiet reflective silence. St Joseph's Church Thurs 8th Oct @ 8pm. All welcome.



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



Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 9.30am: Damien Mc Kinney, Shalee Drive.

11am: Nora o Shea, 26 Considine Road.

Tue 9.30am: Nancy & Austin Mooney, Cornmarket St.

Sun11th 9.30: Humphrey Murphy, Cloughleigh Rd.

11am: Christina Coote, late 5 Considine Tce.

Cloughleigh CCE resume set dancing classes at Woodstock Golf Club on this Monday night Oct 5th @ 8.30pm. Everybody welcome, including beginners.

Clare Hospice at Cahercalla: Weekly Draw Results: Year 9 Week 15: Tuesday, September 29th; 1st Prize €635: Mary O'Gorman, Skehanagh, Clarecastle; 2nd Prize €127: Joan Flannery, Tobertaoscairn, Ennis.



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 October 7th.

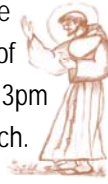
From October we hope to invite anyone affected in any way by the economic downturn to share in our monthly Mass. We hope to include some special prayers and to invite those who wish to write out their intentions to leave them at the Friary Office for inclusion in the monthly Mass

One day SFO Retreat on Sunday October 18th from 11am to 5pm. This will be conducted by Fr Liam Kelly OFM and will include Mass and opportunities for quiet prayer. All are welcome to St. Anthony's Hall.



St. Francis

Feast Day - 4th October
Blessing of the Animals in honour of St Francis today at 3pm outside Friary Church.



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30 Elizabeth Guthrie, 'St Martins' Loughville MM

Sun.: 9.00 Furseay O'Connor, Collins Park

10am Decd memb Butler & Neville families, Station Rd
Billy & Peggy Hogan, late Corrovorrin
Louis & Mary Cronin & Michael Hoare, Clare Rd
John Pa & Joe O'Brien, Ogonnelloe.

11am Ennis National School Confirmation Enrolment

12 .15pm Mass for the People

Mon: 8am Raymundo Sabroso, Ballyalla.

10am Deceased members of Mahoney family
Barretts Place & McNamara Park.

7.30pm Phil Cronin, College Road.

Tues.: 8am Donor Intentions.

10am Joseph Keane, 14 Summerhill.

7.30pm Mary & Patrick Ward, 3 Cloughleigh.

Wed.: 8am Ann & Mick Liston & Dan Crowe.

10am Holy Souls.

7.30pm Martin Meaney, Boloughera.

Thurs.: 8am Martin & Fanny Mulcahy, Ogonnelloe.

10am Aidan Tuttle, Castletawn Tulla Rd.

7.30pm Mgt & Andy Woods, 110 Hermitage.

Fri.: 8am Mass for the people.

10am James Bradley, Showgrounds

7.30pm Patrick O'Brien, Willow Park. MM

Sat.: 10am Deceased members Baker & Burke families.

11am Bertie Garry, Sandfield Park.

6.30pm Amelia Cahill, 4 Cahercall Estate & late of Kilmaley 1st Anniv

Sun.: 9am Matt Nugent, Cusack Rd.

10am Special Intention.

John Joe Moroney, Rock View House, Cusack Rd

John McGann, Ard na Greine MM

11am Margaret Earlie, Limerick Road. MM

12.15pm Kathleen O'Dowd, Midway Tulla Rd. MM

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 11th October, 2009

Readers: Group 2

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 4

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



Rest in Peace

IN MEMORY Peggy Falsey, Quilty, mother of Patsy Falsey 82 Clancy Pk & Kathleen Dooley, Beechpark; Michael O'Loughlin, London & late Cloughleigh Rd; Billy Harrington, Knocklong, Limerick & Riverview Scariff; Nora Mai Hanlon, Glynn, sister of Hannah Kearney, 1 St. Patricks Tce.;

Wanted - Singers & Musicians

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.



Chess Classes for Everyone! Doora Parish Hall - will be host to 3 different classes - Chess enrolment & information night Wednesday 7th Oct at 7pm. Classes start the following week and run for 8 weeks. For more information - phone Connie 087 9777011

October Priests' Collection

Thanks to the Parish Representatives who have distributed envelopes and Links for the Autumn Collection for Bishop Willie and the Priests of the Parish, which is being taken up this weekend. Sincere thanks for the generosity and loyalty of the people of the Parish.

Cuan an Chláir, Ennis Daycare Centre



Presentation of cheque of €10,000 from Fleadh Nua "Chieftain's Concert"
L-R: Mary Corey CUAN; Oliver O'Connell Comhaltas; Colette Coakley CUAN; Michéal Ó Riabhaigh Comhaltas; Jackie Browne CUAN; Rory Casey Comhaltas; Mary O'Sullivan CUAN. Total Collected To date: €255,188



Up-Coming Fundraising Events



- ◆ **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** - This charity walk to be held on Monday 26th October will start at 2pm and offers a choice of three routes to suit all abilities. You can choose to walk 4, 6 or 8 kilometres. Registration at St. Flannan's College @ 1.15pm; Registration fee: €10 payable on the day. Members of the all Ireland winning Clare Under 21 hurling team will start the walkers @ 2pm.
- ◆ **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 Chláir 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: **Genesis 2:18-24**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate. So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

This at last is bone from my bones,
and flesh from my flesh!
And will be called woman,
for she was taken from man.

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of the Lord



Responsorial Psalm

Response: .

May the Lord bless us

All the days of our life.

O Blessed are those who fear the Lord
And walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
In the heart of your house;
Your children like shoots of the olive,
Around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
The one who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
In a happy Jerusalem
All the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! **R.**

Second Reading: **Hebrews 2:9-11**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all humankind

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons and daughters into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers and sisters.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord,

Consecrate us in the truth.

Alleluia!

Gospel: **Mark 10:2-16**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, no one must divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too. People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

The Gospel of the Lord

