



# 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: 8am; 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:

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

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 7th February, 2010

## *Here I am Lord: Send Me*

The theme of today's Reading is Vocation. Most people, when they hear the word "vocation", think only of a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. This is too limited a concept. There is a vocation to marriage or the single life. Every vocation requires responsible, courageous people, capable of deep trust, who are unafraid of risk. However, the majority of us live our vocation in our families - parents, children and young adults. All of us fulfil our call by our neighbourliness, our concern for others, our friendship and by giving of our time to others.

Priests and religious have a call to a particular way of life, a way that involves ministering to others in a special way.

God knows how desperately the church, at this time, needs men and women to meet that call.

In this year of priests, we should pray for those people who are discerning whether or not God is calling them to the priesthood or religious life.

The church itself is constantly being called by God to meet the challenges of every age and give meaning to the world that is forever in the making.

Simon and his companions were exhausted, disappointed men and it was not easy for them to respond to Jesus' instruction, "*Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch*". But they saw in Jesus something that moved them to hope and do His bidding.

Their response was rewarded abundantly. Their great trust in God is the lesson we learn from the Gospel story.



So the question for all of us is -  
*Do I trust in God?*

God can do all things, even when they appear to us impossible.

# What's on this week?

## Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 7th February, 2010

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom Hogan ☎ 065 68 24043

Wednesday Duty:

Fr. Tom O'Gorman ☎ 065 68 40715

## Diocesan News

Bishop Willie Walsh convened a meeting of the Priests of the Diocese, at The Clare Inn Hotel, on February 1st.

"After The Murphy Report" was the topic for discussion. A wide range of views and feelings was shared, as to how the priests and laity of the diocese reacted to the findings and how it affected their lives

While there was widespread remorse and shame, it was felt that priests should continue in humble service to their priestly ministry.



Mobile phone lost outside the Cathedral after 6.30 mass on 23rd January. Please contact 6824043



**Eire Og Minor Club:** Under 14 Hurling Training has recommenced in Eire Og on Sunday mornings from 11am to 12:30. Any new players interested in joining, please contact Tony Brohan (085 1740660) or come along to training.



**Fatima 2010 ex Cork.** nights - full board €714.00. spiritual Director: Fr. John Walsh. Group leader. Contact Kathleen @ 061 368549

'Open House' ...Join Us Any Morning For Coffee And A Tour Of The Village....No Charge...At.....'The Clubhouse', Pairc Na Coille Retirement Village, Showgrounds Road, Ennis. Beside The Rugby Club. From 10.00 A.M. ☎ 086 259 6487 (Geraldine).

## Cancer Health Information Day

In West Co. Hotel on Sat Feb 20th from 10am to 12.30. Adm: free. Speakers: consultants from Galway University Hospital

## Live the Word:

### Gospel Reflection / Questions for this Sunday



- ◆ Is there something in your life that hinders you or holds you back? Do not be afraid to let it go, live your life with courage, letting go of that which does not suit you.
- ◆ Be true to yourself and bring a change for the good to your life.

### National Adult Learners' Festival All Events Free 22nd to 26th February

The 4th Annual Nationwide Adult Learners' Festival will take place from Feb 22nd to 26th. Free taster classes are available in Clare VEC Adult Education Centre, Clonroad Business Park (065 6824819); while the de Valera library will present films & displays on a variety of topics. Details of all events in Ennis & county-wide from: [www.clarelearningnetwork.org](http://www.clarelearningnetwork.org), local media, church porches & Adult Education Centre.



### Newly Baptised

We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: **Sophie Eve Howard; Sam Paul Fetton; Lucy Ann Montwill; Finian Eoin Lynam; John Connor Tuohy; Hollie Noelle Downes; David Patrick Murphy; Adam Franz-Josef O'Neill**

### Recent Marriage:

**Valerie Harrington Lios Árd, Ennis & Daragh Gough, Claremount.**

*May they be united in love forever.*



**Medugorje Prayer Meeting** on Mon 8th at 8pm in Clarecastle Day Care Centre.

**Corofin Dramatic Society** will stage play in the Hall Feb 12th, 13th, 20th, 21st, 27th & 28th Feb.; John Patrick Shanley's *'Doubt - A Parable'* at 8.30pm.

**Bus to Clonfert** on Wed Feb 10 at 9.20; Please bring packed lunch; cost: €15; Tel: 6825739



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

## People of the Year

Presentation of Awards on  
Thursday 11th March  
at The Old Ground Hotel at 8pm

Congratulations to this year's recipients:

- ◆ Mary Hanrahan, St. Michael's Villas.
- ◆ Larry Brennan, Woodhaven Drive.
- ◆ Helena O'Dowd, Clonroad, Ennis.
- ◆ Tom Mannion, Highfield,
- ◆ Maureen Cronin, Mountain View.

### Special Merit Award

- ◆ Fr. Seán Sexton, Kilnamona.

Welcome to all



Thank you to all who supported the recent walk held at Toonagh for Special Olympics, St. Clare's School, Ennis. Total amount raised

€2,400, cheque for same has been handed over to St. Clare's School, Ennis.

**Ennis Track Athletic Club** Annual 4 mile & 2 mile Fun Run, Jog or Walk for all the family. Proceeds to Chernobyl Orphanage Programme & Fr. Martin Keane Building of Hope. At Ballyea Community Hall on **Sunday 14th February 2010**. Official Start 12.45pm. Call Gerry 086 3781912.



Family: €10 & individual: €5

*Whatever is wrong with your life today,  
You'll find a solution if you kneel down  
and pray.*



## Getting Married in the Catholic Church

- ◆ State requires 3 month's notice
- ◆ Church requires 3 month's notice
- ◆ Course of Marriage preparation provided by Accord 'The Catholic Marriage' Care Service.

Dates for Pre-Marriage Courses (to be booked through Accord)

065 6824297 / 1850 58 5000)

12th Feb & 20th March  
5th March & 17th April  
9th April & 22nd May  
7th May & 12th June

*Ennis Parish Development Fund*

*for Sunday, 31st January, 2010*

€9,385.00

*Haiti Disaster Appeal*

€42,433.00

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.



## St. Joseph's

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sat 6th: 7.00pm** James & John Sexton, Ballard, Miltown Malbay  
**Sun 7th 8.00:** Burns & Lipton Families, Los Angeles  
**10.00:** Tony Strand, 40 Shannon Park  
**11.30:** Teresa Howard, Kilrush Road.  
**Mon. 11.00:** Decd members of Mc Cormack Family, late Tulla Road.  
**Tues. 11.00:** Lena, Mags & Tom Lynch, late Shannon Park.  
**Wed 11.00:** Mary & John Fitzgerald, Kerry  
**Thurs. 11.00:** James Mc Gann, Parnell Street  
**8.00pm:** Taize Prayer  
**Friday 11.00:** Nonie & Tony Malone, late New Park  
**Sat. 11.00:** Esther (Essie) Tobin, 14Considine Terrace  
**Sat. 7.00pm:** Maurice O'Brien, Inch  
**Sun 14th 8.00:** Joe & Mary Daly, Stammer Park  
**10.00:** John Carmody, 50 Marian Avenue  
**11.30:** Aileen Nugent, 51 Castlerock, 1st Anniv

### St. Joseph's Choir

Are looking for people to join the choir. We sing at 11.30am Mass on Sundays and have a practice on Mondays from 8pm to 9pm. Please come along & help make our Mass even more joyful & uplifting.



## Cloughleigh



### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 7th: 9.30** Michael Griffin, Woodlawn.  
**11.00:** Mamie Murphy, Hillview, CloughleighRd. MM.  
**Tues 9th : 11.00** Deceased members of Probus  
**Sun 14th: 9.30** Bridie Dilger, late 54 Hermitage  
**11.00:** James & Kathleen White, 11 Considine Tce.

## World Day of Prayer for the Sick Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

St Joseph's Church  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February @ 11am

Beloved Lord, breath calm in my mind  
Peace in my heart, and silence in my soul  
In the silence let me hear your voice  
In the peace let me see your face  
In the calm let me know your love  
May Christ who cared for those  
In need and healed those who  
Were ill, care for you and bring you healing.

A welcome to all who would like to receive  
the Blessing of the Sick.

**Information open meeting** for anyone concerned about another's drinking or drug use or misuse information about addiction, alcoholism, cocaine use, please feel free to stop by and listen or ask questions Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm. Meeting is held at Clarecare, room 13, Harmony Row, Ennis  
Tea/Coffee Served. Facilitators: Ellen O'Neal and Teresa Fitzgerald 065-6862049 Funded by the OMD Cocaine initiative through the Midwest Regional Drugs Task Force and piloted by Bushypark Treatment Centre, a service of Clarecare Ltd.

### GOAL Haiti Earthquake Appeal

The Chi Bio-Energy Clinic will hold free healing therapy sessions in Old Ground Hotel on Sun 7th Feb from 2-6; All donations to GOAL Disaster Fund.



## Friary News

**FRANCISCAN SOCIAL**  
The Secular Franciscan social is on February 14th from 1.30 to 6pm in the Temple Gate Hotel. Two-course meal with music and dancing. Music by John Carey. Spot prizes. Tickets €20 from the Friary Office. All are welcome.

### Reflection



God is so close,  
so intimate,  
like a shadow  
that cannot separate  
itself from us.  
When we dance,  
God dances,  
When we weep  
God weeps.  
When we run,  
God runs with us.  
Whenever we say  
"it is enough,  
I am weary and  
can't go no further"  
God tenderly sits  
and waits with us,  
until we are renewed  
and ready to continue  
the journey.  
God moves at our pace.

Edwina Gateley.  
(A Mystical Heart)

**Invitation to Energy Action**  
Day in Bunscoil na mBraithre in school halla Thurs. 11th February. All welcome.  
Open 9.15 to 2.30



Clare Hospice at  
Cahercalla

[www.cahercalla.ie](http://www.cahercalla.ie)

Weekly Draw Results: Year 9  
Week 33. **Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2010. 1<sup>st</sup> Prize €635.00; Grainne Dunne, Quin, Ennis, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize €127.00 John Mooney, Drumline,**

### 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 27th February.  
**Time:** 10am - 5pm;  
[www.visionbeinspired.com](http://www.visionbeinspired.com)



## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**6.30pm** Special Intention  
**Sun.:9am** Mary, Mick & Kitty Connellan, Árd na Greine  
John & Bridie O'Sullivan, Kilrush Rd.  
James Kelly, late Clonroadmore.  
Christina, Miko, & Patrick Ball & MI Ryan, 65 Hermitage.  
**10.30am:** Mass for the People.  
**12noon:** Mass for People  
**Mon:8am** Special Intention  
**10am** Thomas & Ellen Cleary, Ballycroy, Co. Mayo  
**7.30pm** Bernie Dilger, 39 Connolly Villas  
**Tues.:8am** Nora Harnett, Limerick  
**10am** Maureen Murphy, 45 Hermitage  
**7.30pm** James, Agnes & Seamus Blake, 9 Limerick Rd.  
**Wed.:8am** Michael Neylon, Kilmaley  
**10am** Josephine O'Keefe, Darragh  
**7.30pm** Martin & Teresa O'Grady, Turnpike Rd.  
**Thurs.:8am** Joe Foley, 25 College Park  
**10am** O'Driscoll Family, Drumbiggle  
**7.30pm** Christina & Paddy Malone, 6 Dalcassian Drive  
**Fri.:8am** Mass for the people.  
**10am** Thomas Mannion, Highfield Place.  
**7.30pm** Kitty Considine, 104 Hermitage (MM)  
**Sat.:10am** Daniel Kelly & his daughters Marie McCarthy & Theresa Carrol, Tipperary & Tom O'Sullivan, Tralee  
Fintan Ryan, 23Fergus Manor  
**6.30pm** Kevin Keane, 15 Connolly Villas (MM)  
**Sun.:9am** Paddy & Mary Keane, Limerick Rd.  
Lorraine Cooley, 8 Dalcassian Ave.  
Liam Moloney, Shanaway Road.  
Peggy Pilkington, 17 Clare Rd.  
Michael Griffin, Woodlawn

### Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 14th February, 2010.

Readers: Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 2

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



### Rest in Peace



**Con Keane**, Rosscarberry, Cork, brother of Dan Keane, Roslevan; **Ann Hayes**, London & Inch, sister of Tommy Hayes, Golf Link's Rd & Joe Hayes, Inch; **Pat Twomey**, Mc Namara Park; **Delia Curtin**, Miltown Malbay & Parnell Street.. **Paddy Kierce**, Quay Road, Clarecastle father of Philip, Ballybeg.

## For your Diary

- ◆ **Monday 8th February;** Cluster parish Councils @ St. Flannan's College 8.00pm
- ◆ **Wednesday February 10th:** Cluster Pray & Play leaders @ St. Flannan's College, 8.00pm
- ◆ **Ash Wednesday :** 17th February.
- ◆ **Killaloe Pilgrimages to Lourdes:**  
26th June to 1st July  
27th September to 2nd October



# Today's Scripture Readings

## With Inclusive Text



### First Reading: **Isaiah 6:1-8**

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

In the year of King Uzziah's death I saw the Lord seated on a high throne; his train filled the sanctuary; above him stood seraphs, each one with six wings. And they cried out one to another in this way,

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.  
His glory fills the whole earth.

The foundations of the threshold shook with the voice of the one who cried out, and the Temple was filled with smoke. I said:

What a wretched state I am in! I am lost,  
for I am a man of unclean lips  
and I live among a people of unclean lips,  
and my eyes have looked at the King, the Lord of hosts.

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding in his hand a live coal which he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. With this he touched my mouth and said:

See now, this has touched your lips,  
your sin is taken away,  
your iniquity is purged.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying:  
Whom shall I send? Who will be our messenger?  
I answered, Here I am, send me.

### The word of the Lord



### Responsorial Psalm

**Response:**

*Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.*

*I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
You have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple.*      **R**

*I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
Which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
You increased the strength of my soul.*      **R**

*All earth's kings shall thank you  
When they hear the words of your mouth.  
They shall sing of the Lord's ways:  
"how great is the glory of the Lord!"*      **R**

### Second Reading **1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

In the first place, I taught you what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins, in accordance with the

scriptures; that he was buried; and that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared to Cephas and to the Twelve. Next he appeared to more than five hundred of the disciples at the same time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died; then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles; and last of all he appeared to me too; it was as though I was born when no one expected it. But what matters is that I preach what they preach, and this is what you all believed.

### The word of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
I call you friends, says the Lord,  
Because I have made known to you  
Everything I have learnt from my Father.  
Alleluia!*

### Gospel: **Luke 5:1-11**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus was standing one day by the Lake of Gennesaret, with the crowd pressing round him listening to the word of God, when he caught sight of two boats close to the bank. The fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats - it was Simon's - and asked him to put out a little from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat.

When he had finished speaking he said to Simon, 'Put out into deep water and pay out your nets for a catch.' 'Master,' Simon replied, 'we worked hard all night long and caught nothing, but if you say so, I will pay out the nets.' And when they had done this they netted such a huge number of fish that their nets began to tear, so they signalled to their companions in the other boats to come and help them; when these came, they filled the two boats to sinking point.

When Simon Peter saw this he fell at the knees of Jesus saying, 'Leave me, Lord; I am a sinful man.' For he and all his companions were completely overcome by the catch they had made; so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were Simon's partners. But Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on it is people you will catch.' Then, bringing their boats back to land, they left everything and followed him.

### The Gospel of the Lord

