



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

# Ennis Parish News

## 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: 7.45am; 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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Friary: 6828751  
Ennis Parish Web Site at: <http://www.ennisparish.com>

Third Sunday of Lent (Year C) 7th March, 2010

## Getting to the Root!

We all struggle with different realities every day. Life throws so many things our way that, we can get so caught up with our struggles, that we spend so much time and energy worrying and stressing over them.

The parable today, tells us that the owner of a vineyard, wanted to cut down one of his tree because, this one tree didn't bear fruit. Yet, the man *who looked after the vineyard*, thought differently. He told the owner that he would get to the root of the problem, by caring for and nurturing the tree.

It is from the root that things begin to grow.

We all know that if we have a toothache - that more often than not, the problem is with the root. And it's similar with the problems we encounter in life. Unless we too get to the root of the issue or the problem, we will always have, or be in a certain amount of pain.

We have to get to the root of the problem, name it and tame it, before we can move on and before we can begin to bear fruit in our lives.

During Lent, we have time to prune the parts of our lives that need pruning, so that we can throw away the 'bad bits' that inhibit our growth. Like Spring, Lent is about growing and bearing fruit.



**God of new beginnings, you are the ever-patient gardener who nurtures our cracking and dried branches in the water of your love. Bind up our broken spirits in your grace and hope; nourish us by your grace and sustain us in your love that we may realize the harvest of your justice and peace in our lives.**

*(from: Not by Bread Alone 2010)*



# What's on this week?



## Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 7th March, 2010

### Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom Hogan ☎065 68 24043

### Wednesday Duty:

Fr. Tom O Gorman ☎065 68 40715

# People of the Year

## Presentation of Awards on Thursday 11th March 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.

Tom Mannion, Highfield.

Maureen Cronin, Mountain View.

**Special Merit Award:** Fr. Seán Sexton, Kilnamona.

**All Welcome!**



### Greetings from Tipperary...

I returned safely from Mombasa on Wednesday last. After 26 working days on this year's Building of Hope - Training Centre - it was blessed and opened by Bishop Willie. It was a day of great celebration, achievement and gratitude for the generosity of the people of Ireland to the people of Migombani. On behalf of Fr. Martin Keane thank you all.

Thursday I depart for part one of my journey to Ecuador and this time it's a one way ticket! With my parents we first head to Boston where the Society of St. James are based (Clark Street). On Sunday, another young man Tom Keyes aged 63 and myself will join in a celebrated mass with Cardinal Sean O'Malley to send us to Peru and Ecuador respectively. The dream for me is being realised. I can't wait to begin living and working in Guayaquil, a city of some 3 Million people. I join Fr. Colm Hogan a Lorrha native and he will help train me in and help deal with any language difficulties!!!!

I have received generosity and kindness from so many which I thank you for. Should any of you at this early stage wish to support financially this new and developing parish, I have an account being managed in Bank of Ireland, Bank Place, Ennis. It is called 'Ennis 2 Ecuador Relief Fund'. 'Relief' meaning for the future. I hope to bring change and support from Killaloe Diocese to the peoples of Monte Sinai, Guayaquil, as we plan what needs to be done next. Thank You as always as I depart home and the familiar. Let us keep each other in thoughts and prayers.

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**Come to the Hub Cafe** in Chapel Lane this St. Patrick's day. We're open from 12 til late. We'll have live music from Ennis bands and will serve our regular menu all day. This is an alcohol and drug free event.

Ennis Musical Society presents the **HOT MIKADO** in Glór Theatre, Ennis from 10th to 13th March inclusive. Tickets at Glór 065 6843103.



**Bushypark Treatment Centre** (a **CLARECARE** Clarecare service) is hosting concerned persons' meetings on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 pm in room 13 at Clarecare on Harmony Row, Ennis. If you want to learn more about addiction, you are welcome to stop in and have a chat. Tea/coffee served.

**Christian Life Sodality**, meetings will resume on Tuesday 9th March @ 8pm in the Christian Brothers Monastery. All are welcome.

**Medugorie prayer meeting** Monday March 8th at 8pm in Clarecastle day care centre.

## Lent at The Cathedral

Parish theme this year:

*"Living with Faith in Ireland today".*

**Weekday morning Mass in Cathedral at 7.45am for Lent.**

**On Tuesday nights at 7.30pm as we journey through Lent, guest speakers will reflect on:**

*"Living with Faith in Ireland today".*

**Tuesday March 9th:**

Fr. Michael Rodgers, Termann Spirituality Centre, Glendalough, Co Wicklow.



## Taizé Prayer through Lent

Each Thursday during lent think about joining us in St. Joseph's Church at 8pm for prayer using the songs of Taizé, Readings from Scripture and quiet time for reflection. All welcome.



### Lectio Divina

at 8pm in Cathedral House.

*(Reflection on the Sunday Readings for Lent)*  
March 18th. All are welcome.

**Solas** - Suicide Support Group will take place on Saturday 13th March from 11am. - 12noon at CIOC offices, Elevation Business Pk, Clonroad, Ennis. This support group is for family, friends, co workers etc whose lives have been touched by suicide. It is totally confidential and free of charge and is a safe place where you can share your experience with other people, who really understand how you are feeling. For further information contact Johanna Treacy, Psychotherapist 086 - 0829907 at the CIOC Office.

The AGM of Clare branch of the Retired Nurses Association will be held on Monday next 8th inst in the West County at 12 noon. All retired nurses are welcome and should attend. National officers will be present.

## International Seminar in Children's Special Needs Care

**Date:** 6th. to 9th. April 2010

**Venue:** Auburn Lodge Hotel, Ennis

11 Therapists from California based Speech & Language Development Centre will present workshops on topics:

- Living with child with Special Needs
- Teaching child social and communication skills
- Managing behaviour of child.
- Vocabulary development

**Contact:** 065 6896015

**Website:** www.clarecrusaders.ie



## Recent Weddings

Congratulations to:

Louise Howard, Claireen & Michael Leonard, Moycullen, Co. Galway

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 28th February, €9,302.00

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



## St. Joseph's

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Pat O'Brien, 27 Shannon Park.  
Sun 10am: Agnes & Jack, late Marian Ave.

#### Do this in Memory

11.30am: Maureen O'Keeffe, Lifford Rd.  
Mon 11am: Kathleen & Thomas Lowe, Limerick.  
Tue 11am: Kieran & Eddy Hennessy, Coopers Place.  
Wed 11am: Sean McMahon, 58 Marian Ave.  
Thu 11am: Betty & Tony Glynn, 7 College Rd.  
Fri 11am: Tom McLnerney, 30 The Crescent.  
Sat 11am: Joe Moroney, 5 Corrovorrin.  
7pm: Jimmy Madigan, 25 Marian Ave.  
Sun 14th 10am: Tina Connole & Pat & Mary O'Brien, Carron  
11.30am: Peadar O'Keeffe, Drumcliffe Rd.



## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 9.30am: Bgt Culliney.

#### Do this in Memory

11am: John & Mary Flanagan, Ballygriffey.  
Mon 9.30am: John Mc Sorley, Leitrim.  
Tue 9.30am: Patrick Mc Clom, Donegal.  
Thu 9.30am: Dec'd Members Hegarty family, Hermitage.  
Fri 3pm **Confirmation**  
Sun 14th 9.30am: Leo Guy, Circular Rd.  
11am: Maura & Joe Griffey, Circular Rd, Inch, U.S.A



## Taizé Summer Pilgrimage

July 4<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>: Taizé, a unique community founded by Bro Roger, invites young people to share in prayer, workshops & meals with the Brothers. From Sun 4<sup>th</sup> - Sun 11<sup>th</sup> July we will stay with the community. On Sun 11<sup>th</sup> we return to Paris staying in Hotel accommodation for two nights. Mon 12<sup>th</sup> in Disneyland Paris, with an evening Coach tour of Paris. Tuesday organised sightseeing, (Shopping). Returning home, Tues evening 13<sup>th</sup> July. 17 - 30 years of age. Cost €550. Any enquiries (As soon as possible): Fr Jerry Carey - 086 2508444.

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



## Newly Baptised

We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: **Glodia Serondie; Tael Luyimduladio; Eileen McDonagh; Michael James Sullivan Kelly; Elin Rose Bridget Gilligan;**

## Ceremony of Light For Confirmation Pupils

Takes place in the Cathedral on Wednesday 10th March @ 8pm for Ennis National School & Gaelscoil young people for Confirmation. All are welcome.



## Confirmation 2010

Gaelscoil Mhíicil Ciosóg; Friday March 12th @ 12pm, St Joseph's Church.  
Ennis National School; Saturday March 13th @ 11am, Cathedral SS Peter & Paul, Ennis.



## Live the Word

Luke:15 1-3:11-32  
Reflection Sunday March 14th  
**'He was lost and now is found'**.  
There are times when we may have hurt or offended someone, or acted without integrity. These are times where we have got lost on our path. To ask for forgiveness is humbling, and allows you to learn from your mistakes. To forgive is a blessing, it helps to heal the soul.

**Wanted for needy family:**  
Washing Machine. Tel:6824043

The final lecture in the joint lecture series of the Clare and Shannon Archaeological and Historical Societies takes place next Tuesday evening, March 9 at 8.30pm in the Westropp Room at Clare Museum, Arthur's Row, Ennis. The lecture by Peter Harbison is entitled "William Burton Conyngnam (1733-1796), Antiquarian & Superior Patriot". All welcome. For further details contact 087-9165916.

## Launch of Daffodil

Day takes place at West County Hotel on Tuesday 9th March @ 8.30pm. All volunteers welcome. Tel 065 6829170



## Wanted for Car Boot Sale in aid of Cuan an Chlair:

good quality clothes, delph, bric-a-brac. Contact Paul at Parish Office 6824043.

Mosaic workshop & Clare's Art & Craft 3 Day Easter camps. Design, fix & grout your own piece of mosaic using broken tiles, crockery & glass, wall hangings / mirrors. ☎ Clare 087 2389521

10 day Pilgrimage to Israel, Jordan & Egypt, €1150pps. "In the footsteps of Moses" 25th Sept to 4th Oct 2010. Spiritual Director Fr. Denis Talbot. All are welcome. For details ☎ Jean 062 37065



## Parish Visitation

We thank the residents of Willsgrove for their hospitality during our recent visitation. In the coming weeks, we will begin to visit Fergus Park. We look forward to meeting with you. Remembering that "where two or three are gathered in my name there I am too".

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat:6.30 Patrick Twomey, McNamara Pk. MM  
Sun.9am :Patrick & Nancy Guilfoyle, 6 Gallows Hill.  
Frank Mc Mahon, Drumcaranmore, Loughville.  
Billy & Bridie Ryan, 19 Gallows Hill.

10.30am John Fleming, 6 Marian Ave

#### Do this in Memory

12 noon Kay Gallagher, Cahercalla. MM  
Mon:7.45am Decd memb's Sheehan family, Kerry & London  
10am Maureen & Michael Rice, Summerhill.  
7.30pm Nora & Christopher O'Grady, Hermitage.  
Tues.:7.45am James, Patrick & Mgt Doohan.  
10am Tony, Susan & James O'Brien, Golflinks Rd.  
7.30pm Sean Dinan, St Michaels Villas.  
Wed.:7.45am Michael McMullin, Ballyalla.  
10am Mairéad Scanlan, Miltown Malbay.  
7.30pm Gerald O'Driscoll, 4 Summerhill.  
Thurs.7.45am Michael & Bgt Foley, Liscannor.  
10am Eddie Gallagher, Tarmen Donegal.  
Nora Byrnes, Scotland.  
7.30pm Tom & Ena Hogan, Ballymaley, Gort Rd.  
Fri.:7.45am Mass for the People.  
10am John Daly, Lifford, Gort Rd.  
7.30pm Mass for the People.  
Sat.:10am Rosarie Gleeson.  
11am Confirmation Ennis National School.  
6.30pm John Sheedy, Old Gort Rd.  
Sun.:9am James & Mary Teresa Quinlivan, Lissycasey.  
James Vaughan, Market Street.  
10.30am Paddy Armstrong, Ballyroughan, Kilmurry.  
Teresa Delaney, Glenina & formerly 2 High St.  
12 noon Mass for the People.

## Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 14th March, 2010

Readers: Group 5  
Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 1  
Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



## Rest in Peace

Jimmy McGrath, Ballinasloe brother of Mary Roberts, Kincora Pk; Larry Conlan, Dublin, husband of Carrie Roberts Clonroad; Pauline Reid, Dublin & Longford, sister of Joan Duggan Newpark; Maisie Moloney nee Kelly, Claremount, Clarecastle; Michael, Heather & Tara Glynn, Clonroad & New Jersey, brother of Paul Glynn, Clonroad.

Education Fund Collection will be taken up this weekend in all Churches in Ennis Parish. This fund is used to support students studying for the priesthood. This year the Diocese has 2 students in the Seminary. This collection is also directed towards further education of lay people in ministry.



## For your Diary

- ◆ First Penance:  
CBS 9th March 7.30pm St. Joseph's.  
Holy Family 10th March 6.30pm Cathedral.  
Scoil Christ Rí 10th March 7pm Cloughleigh.
- ◆ Bereavement Visitation Meeting, Thursday 11th March @ 8pm, Cathedral House.
- ◆ Confirmation for Pupils of Socil Christ Rí, Cloughleigh Friday 12th March at 3pm.
- ◆ Confirmation for Pupils of Ennis National Saturday 13th March at 11am.

