



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: 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

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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C.

8th August, 2010

WHAT IS IN OUR TREASURE BOXES?

We are daily being subjected to negative remarks about our church, our faith and our religion. There seems to be darkness all around us.

But today's readings are full of hope. We are given a sure road map. It is faith in God. Like Sarah and Abraham, our faith will stand to us in every trial.

We hear it said every day that there is a crisis of faith. *What can be done about it?* Maybe the question should be: *What is in our treasure boxes?* Now that the benefits of the celtic tiger are no longer visible, if we really want to show what is in our hearts let us show first what is in our treasure boxes. What we put our trust in shows the condition of our hearts.

In this period of the darkness of faith, God is as present to us as in times of great devotion. In fact God is very close. So let us heed the message of the Gospel and with joy and hope continue to be

dressed for action, by giving practical love to those around us. If our faith is our greatest treasure, our hearts will be there too and we will come out of the darkness with a renewed vision for our church.



Lord increase our faith

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

Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 8th August, 2010
Priest on Duty: Please Contact
Parish Office ☎065 68 24043



Killaloe Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Kieran O'Reilly, leaves Shannon Airport on Monday Sept 27th for 5 days, returning Sat. 2nd Oct. Cost is €660 per person sharing. Booking forms available from Ennis Parish Office or Joe Walsh Tours, Dublin @ 01 6789926, or Fr. Tom Ryan, Shannon. www.shannonparish.ie

Padre Pio Pilgrimage to Rome from Sept 29th - Oct 6th. Few seats available. Call Mary Kelly 065 6835519

Ennis Padre Pio Prayer Group, trip to Rome, Papal audience, San Giovanni, Monte San't Angelo, Loreto, Manopello, Nettuno, Lanciano & the Adriatic Coast. Ex Cork, Sept 5-15th; 10 nights; €1,285 pps. All dinners & taxes included. Spiritual Director: Fr. Tom Hogan, Adm, Cathedral. ☎ Maire Coll 086 880 4603

Killaloe Diocesan Escorted tour to Italy with Spiritual Director Canon Brendan O'Donoghue Aug 22nd (7 nights 4* hotel) Incl: Assisi, Rimini, Loreto, San Marino & Rome €1095 pp/s Ltd Seats available. Tom Mannion Travel. ☎ 682 4211

Cuddles Community Pre-school, Stone Court, Drumbiggle. A few places remain available for Sept 2010. ☎ Deborah 6864890

Due to unprecedented demand, Cookery Teen Summer Camps, 13-16 yrs, will run for a third and final week beginning on Mon 16th - Aug 20th inclusive 9.45am- 4.30pm daily Venue St Flannan's College Ennis. Lunch included. Learn to make fun, interesting and tasty dishes while also learning about your nutrition. Hands on classes. Places available. ☎ 086 3160240

"NOYE'S FLUDDE" - Comes to Ennis.
This year's Summer Music Youth Opera production of Benjamin Britten's enchanting and appealing children's opera, 'Noye's Fludde'. This wonderful opera, specially composed for children, includes dozens of children costumed as the animals entering and leaving the Ark and as the children of Noye. **Performance will take place in the Franciscan Friary, Ennis on Wednesday 18th August at 8pm.** Tickets: Single €15 Concessions €12 Family tickets €30 (2+2)

Irish Blood transfusion Mobile unit will be holding a blood donor clinic in the West County Hotel on Thu 12th 2-5pm and also on Monday 16th to Thursday 19th inclusive 6-9pm.

Ennis Parish Team & Friends Annual Cycle

Will take place on Saturday 21st August.

All monies collected will be in aid of Fr. John Molloy's Parish in Monte Sinai, Ecuador. Your support and generosity as always is very much appreciated. **Donations can be left at Parish Office or if you wish, you can pick up a Sponsorship card.**



Update from Fr. John in Ecuador:



As the weeks roll into months the dry hot weather continues and dust increases. I have had many meetings, some welcome visitors and visited Cuenca Ecuador's third largest city. At present, we have three sections in the parish so each section has a co-ordinator. These people run their section of the parish. We all meet once a month to see how we are doing. We have formation and training every month especially for the 45 Catechists. From 7am on every Sunday morning, the first of the 372 preparing weekly for sacraments arrive. There is no religious education in the schools here. The enthusiasm, life and learning on a Sunday morning here is so life-giving. We have had a number of visits from American High School Students. We visit homes with them and the welcome and hospitality among the poor is always their most striking first impression. And what do we say about first impressions!? I am finding the visits of these young people huge acknowledgement of 'our' world and the world here coming together for the good of all. From all these schools 16 will be selected to come and volunteer to live and work here for a year or two. They are supported and cared for by Rostro de Cristo. The change over took place this weekend past. I will miss the four who worked with me but I will have five for the coming year so I am very content. They are the 'new' missionaries. Check www.rostrodecristo.org and more too on the site about Monte Sinai!

I am at presently ministering to Anita who has five children and is dying from Cancer in her bamboo home. To be present here when words fail us and we ask 'why' does God allow this...all we have is our faith to keep us going. Anita has faith because her dignity is held among the suffering in herself and for her children. We pray a lot.

I visited Cuenca for a couple of days in June. It is the home of the genuine Panama Hat! I saw them being hand-woven with natural fibre of Toquilla straw. Now you know where to go before next years Galway Races!

I continue to eat great vegetables and fruit. Have had one portion of 'Cheviche' but still rely on the auld Chicken which really can't be beaten! In my local 'shop' I can buy one egg, one banana and one onion! No packaging! Hope the cyclists are eating well for 21st. I wish I was with you to cycle but will be in Spirit as I always enjoyed our fun cycle each year. Enjoy. I appreciate so much the huge generosity and efforts of so many and assure you all the money raised will be used directly in our parish here. THANK YOU.



amigo, John.

Newly Baptised



We welcomed the following into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Mary Ann McCarthy;

Conor James O' Callaghan; Sarah Lily Corey; Sarah May Murray Radford; Alicia Hassett; Oran Niall Duignan; Niall Joseph Burke; Eoghan Joseph Corry; Lorna Dnova Parciova.

Table Quiz in Village Inn Quin on next Friday 13th Aug @ 9pm. Teams of 4. Proceeds in aid of Fr. John Molloy Mission in Ecuador. Please support.



Limerick Dyspraxia/DCD support group has arranged for Amanda Kirby, who is a world renowned professor in this sector, to give a talk in the Carlton Castletroy Park Hotel, Limerick on August 11th at 8pm Admission by ticket only €20. **Bookings & Enquiries: 086 237 8266**

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
Sunday 1st August, €8,158.00*



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7th 7pm: Flan Hickey, Lifford Road. **1st Anniv**
Sun 8th 8am: Decd members Mulkerin family, Old Gort Rd & late Oughtterard.
10am: Gerry Leyden, 11 Steeles Tce.
11.30am: Betty Mounsey, 10 Marian Ave.
Wed 11am: Joe Gardiner.
Fri 11am: Rose Meehan, 28 Fergus Park.
Sat 14th 11am: Patricia Harmer, Lifford Rd. **1st Anniv**
7pm: Michael McNamara, 36 Glensheen.
Sun 15th 8am: Joan Reidy, Kincora Park.
10am: Patrick Carmody, 25 Kincora Park.
11.30am: Paddy O' Hara, 5 Oakleigh Wood.

Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion

St. Joseph's Church Monday to Friday 8am.
 Everybody welcome.

Prayer using the songs of Taizé: Scripture reading, prayer, quiet reflective time in St Joseph's Church **August 17th at 8pm.** All welcome.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 15th Aug 11am: Mary Brennan, Clarecastle, Lizzie O' Donnell, Tullycrine.

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

Would you like to return to education and gain a nationally recognised qualification? The Ennis Access Programme has a number of places available in September 2010. This programme offers learners the opportunity to complete a FETAC Level 3 Award in Vocational Employment Skills. This is a FAS funded Local Training Initiative which operates from 9.15am to 1.15pm daily at Westgate Business Park, Kilrush Road, Ennis. Eligible learners may receive a training allowance and a childcare allowance is available. Modules covered include; Food and Cookery/Nutrition, Computer Skills, Health and Safety, Health Promotion, Work/Office Skills and Personal Development. Please contact Sam or Sharon for more information on 0656866800/leave your details with CLDC reception or register your interest with FAS, Parnell St., Ennis.

Live the Word:



Gospel Aug 15th Lk 1: 39-56
 Be grateful for what you have. You have been sent so many good things in your life, and sometimes through the business of life you forget what they are. Take a step back, and look around you. What you have is your Kingdom, treasure it.

Clonmacnois Youth Festival 2010



12th to 15th August - no cost / donation only. (16—35 years). Information from: Youth 2000 office at 061 6753690 or www.youth2000.ie

Knock Shrine National Novena

Will take place from the 14th to the 22nd of August, inclusive. There will be two Sessions daily, namely 3pm and 8.30pm. Both sessions include concelebrated Mass. Those who cannot take part in the Novena devotions at Knock Shrine can share in all of its blessings by saying the novena prayer and the Rosary on the nine days.



Novena Prayer

Our Lady of Knock, Queen of Ireland, you gave hope to your people in a time of distress and comforted them in sorrow.

You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray with confidence to your divine Son, remembering His promise, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find". Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims on the road to heaven.

Fill me with love and concern for my brothers and sisters in Christ, especially those who live with me. Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or depressed. Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass.

Give me a greater love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Pray for me now and at the hour of my death.

Amen.

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

good quality clothes, delph, bric-a-brac. ☎ Paul at Parish Office 065 6824043.



Cuan An Chláir

'Donate A Brick' campaign.

This is an ideal gift for any occasion, as well as supporting the Daycare Centre in Cahercalla.

Bricks can be purchased for just €10 each on line by logging on to www.cuan.ie and are also available at Ennis Parish Office.

The donor can enrol the recipient in the "Remembrance Book" which will be permanently displayed at the new Cuan An Chláir day care facility.

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat:6.30 Gianfranco Alborange, 7 Greendale. **1st Anniv**
Sun.:9am Jim Quinlivan, Lower Market Street.
 Tom Joe Coffey, Tobertaoiscain.
10.30am Patrick Griffin, 30 McNamara Pk.
12 noon Mass for the People.
Mon:7.45am Jim Hearne, Clonroadbeg.
10am Martin & Mary Power, 39 O'Connell Street.
7.30pm Christy & Brid McDonagh, Childers Rd.
Tues.:7.45am Special Intention.
10am Matt & Mai Cunningham, Clare Rd.
7.30pm Jimmy & Teresa Considine & daughter Maura O'Halloran, 4 Considine Terrace.
Wed.:7.45am Special Intention.
10am Sheila & Martin Casey, Dalcassian Ave.
7.30pm Joe & Mgt McCormack & decd family members, late Barrack Street.
Thurs.:7.45am Frank Cosgrove, 28 Dalcassian Park.
10am Thomas McMahon, 6 College Road & late Dysart, Kilrush.
7.30pm Brendan Ryan, Fergus Park.
Fri.:7.45am Mass for the people.
10am Catherine Hassett, Inch, Kilmaley.
6.30pm Rose Meehan, 28 Fergus Park.
7.30pm Michael Guerin, 9 College Park. **MM**
Sat.:10am Coughlan Family, 12 Steeles Tce.
 Ann Evans nee Galvin, Coventry England, late Barrack St.
 John Maughan, 11 Childers Road.
 Mary Hennessy, 67 College Green.
6.30pm Bridget, Kevin & George Curley, Showgrounds Rd.
Sun.:9am T. Kenny, Rathflynn, Maurices Mills.
10.30am Jerry Collins, Cusack Rd.
 Tony & Mary King, Cahera, Lissycasey.
 Sean O'Donoghue, Tobartaoscaín.
12 noon Margaret Quelly, Hermitage. **MM**

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 15th August, 2010

Readers: Group 6

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 3

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 3



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



Kitty Keane, sister of Sr. Brid Hogan St Xaviers; **Brian O'Reilly**, Doora, formerly AIB Ennis & Shannonside Building Supplies; **Mary O'Neill nee Duggan**, late 6 Steeles Terrace; **Mary O'Donoghue nee O'Loughlin**, St. Pius, Tobartaoscaín; **Kathleen Coffey**, Westbourne Ct., & Balla, Co. Mayo.



Feastday of St Clare, Wednesday 11th August.

Caring for Carers Clare

The Annual Mass for Family Carers and those for whom they care will be held in Clarecare, Harmony Row on Wednesday next the 11th August at 7.30pm. All are welcome.





Today's Scripture Readings

With Inclusive Language



First Reading

Wisdom 18:6-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.

This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes

you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy people offered sacrifice in secret

and this divine pact they struck with one accord:

that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike;

and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the ancestors.

The word of the Lord



Responsorial Psalm

Response: .

Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
For praise is fitting for loyal hearts.

They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
The people God has chosen as his own. **R**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
On those who hope in his love,
To rescue their souls from death,
To keep them alive in famine. **R**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
As we place all our hope in you. **R**

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-2.8-19

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for

a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that God who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man and one woman, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,

For revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:32-48

Jesus said to his disciples

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like those waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

The Gospel of the Lord

