



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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St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715;

Friary: 6828751

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

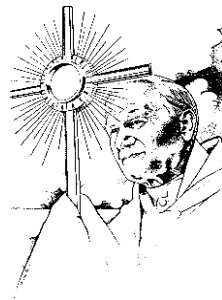
3rd Sunday of Easter (Year B)

26th April, 2009.

Celebrating 15 Years of Eucharistic Adoration

In 1994, *“The Blessed Sacrament Chapel”* alongside the Parish Office, opened to persons from Ennis and other Parishes - 600 of whom come for a specific hour, 24 x 7. People love the quiet tranquil *quality time*, handing their worries and problems over to the Lord, as He keeps His promise to refresh them.

Persons of all ages, and all walks of life, tell us they find to their surprise that the hour flies, and as with lovers the world over, prayer becomes a communication no longer dependant on multiple words.



They go on to find the Lord present in other places - in Scripture, in the fields, their car, their home etc..

More people than ever are dropping into the Chapel and find the experience satisfying and refreshing.

You are welcome in this Chapel. For info please contact the Parish Office or Maurice @ 6824825 / 086.8531161. We always seek persons to *“watch”* for an hour.

Will you try it?



This Sunday evening at 7.00 in the Cathedral, Bishop Willie will lead the Parish Community in a joyful celebration of 15 years of Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration.

A Bene Merenti Award will be presented to Maurice Griffin.

Fr. Benny Mc Hale, Ballyhaunis will be Guest Preacher at Evening Prayer & Benediction.

Everybody is invited to this happy event and to Refreshments later in the Scouts Hall .

Fáilte do chách!



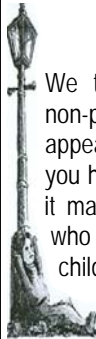


What's on this week?



Hospital & Sick Calls

This week: 26th April, 2009
Fr. John Molloy ☎ 6824043
Wednesday: 29th April
Fr. Pat Taaffe ☎ 6891983



St. Joseph's House, Bucharest, Romania.

We thank all parishioners who donated non-perishable foodstuff to our recent food appeal. We are very grateful for the support you have given over the last few years and it makes a big difference for the children who receive it. At present we have 60 children on a daycare basis and 29 children in residence in St. Joseph's House.

On behalf of the children and staff we would like to offer sincere thanks to you all and the committee for your wonderful generosity and support. Fr. John.

Clare Crusaders

Volunteers needed for street collection (Flag Day) @ Ennis on Thurs 7th May. Charity - Clare Crusaders (Autism); Contact Clare @ 0871373453.



Lourdes Diocesan Invalid Fund

(Church Gate Collection) takes place on next weekend Sat & Sun May 2nd & 3rd. Please support.

Newly Baptised



Kaylum George Edward Browne;
Andrew Keith Terry Malone;
Seán Thomas Hanrahan Dobbin;
Cillian Cristóir Felle; Kai Charles Darren Flynn;



RAPID Resource House, No. 16 Gordon Drive, Cloughleigh, offers services to the residents living in the Ennis RAPID area (Hermitage, Cloughleigh, Clancy Pk., Drumbiggle, Turnpike/Dalcassian, Old Military Barracks).

Every Wednesday: 11am-1pm

- ◆ Parent Support - Drop-in information & advice for parents with Clarecare's Springboard Project.
- ◆ Meet the community Garda.
- ◆ Meet the Ennis Town Council Estate Management Officer.

Thursday 30th April: 2.30-3.30pm

- ◆ Information clinic on Welfare Entitlements with Citizens' Information Service & HSE Community Welfare Officer.

Welcome

To  The

Mass with a Difference

The Gift of Easter is The Gift of Hope

Next Mass With A Difference is on this Sunday April 26th at 5.30pm (*please note new time on this occasion*), in St. Joseph's Church. Join us to give praise for the many gifts bestowed on us, especially for the gift of Hope. We'll raise our voices in song with The Ennis Gospel Choir, with special guests from The London Community Gospel Choir. Please join us, and bring a friend to our Mass...with a difference!

Coach to Knock on Sat 2nd May. Those wishing to join the Christian Life Sodality on their Annual Pilgrimage to Knock, contact Sr. Benedict 065 6842399 or any Sodality Member. Coach will leave outside St. Joseph's Hospital at 9.30am. There will be a 2nd short stop outside Holy Family School.

Life in the Spirit Seminar :

Miltown Malbay/Doonbeg Charismatic Prayer Group running a Life in the Spirit Seminar on every Mon - 4th May to 22nd June (excluding 18th May) from 7.30-9.30pm. Series of talks, discussion, song, prayer & praise and is a chance for you to step away and take the time to deepen your personal relationship with God....which will change your life!



An evening of Music in aid of the Dialysis unit at the Mid-West Regional Hospital Limerick will be held in Ennis Cathedral on Sunday 10th May at 7pm. Music by the University of Limerick Orchestra with Ennis Youth Choir & Director Michael Hennessy. Tickets €10 each; from Ennis Parish office (065) 6824043 or Brid Collins (061) 485228.

Moonlight to Midnight: Sponsored Walk in aid of The Clare Hospice at Cahercalla at Flaggy Shore, New Quay. Fri. night May 22nd; 10pm to Midnight (Full Moon); Assemble at the Flaggy Shore, New Quay at 9.30pm; Ramble at 10pm sharp—approx 5 miles. Bring suitable walking and rain gear. For sponsorship cards call Joe Queally: 087 6260301 or Mary Maloney: 087 6452611.

Cuan an Chlair - Ennis Daycare Centre

- ◆ Fleadh Nua 2009; Presents The Chieftains in Concert; Wedn 20th May at 8pm in Cathedral. Tickets available through Glór Box Office exclusively.
- ◆ Cork City Marathon. June Bank Holiday Weekend Contact: Mary O'Sullivan ☎ 6824043.



Total Collected to Date: €212,663



Ennis Tidy Towns thank all who participated in their recent spring clean event. A large number of residential & community groups

took part in this local initiative & the results were clear to be seen. Fantastic work by everyone. If you would like to organise a clean up in your area ☎ Mgt 065 6842988/ info@ennischamber.ie Remember you can make a difference!

Irish Cancer Society Shop, Woodquay, Ennis Thanks to all for donations and also to volunteers. Please remember we are always looking for new volunteers. Further info from Claire at 6848826.

GROW (Community Mental Health Organisation) wishes to thank all who contributed to their recent Church Gate Collection. ☎ 061 318813.

Clare Hospice at Cahercalla-

www.cahercalla.ie Tue, April 21st
1st Prize €635: Kitty Scanlon, Cathedral Court. 2nd Prize €127: Peter Walsh, Shannon.



Vision Seminar with Fr. Flann Lynch, who is a Capuchin priest. Discover freedom, power, purpose! Explore! Uncover new possibilities! Improve relationships both at home and in your workplace. An abundant life!

Venue: West County Hotel on Sat & Sun 9th/10th May. **Time:** Sat. at 10am-5pm (enrol 9.30am-10am) Sun 10am-1.30pm, followed by Mass; donation if you wish; Booking: Just turn up & bring your friends. Tea & coffee provided www.visionbeinspired.com

Needed - Painters for Fr. Martin Keane, Cranny, Building of Hope Project Kenya January- February 2010. Contact: Fr. John 086-815-2828. **Table Quiz** at Temple Gate Hotel Wednesday April 29th. **Great prizes and night!** Please support.

Newsletter items to Parish Office ☎ 065-6824043 Fax 065-6842541 or Email: cathedralennis@eircom.net **Deadline is 12.00 noon on Tuesday.**

Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 19th April, €10,500



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm Bernadette Kelly, Clonroadmore.
 Sun 10am Bill Turner, 29 The Green.
 11.30am Martin Cotter, 33 St. Senans Rd.
 Mon 11am Michael & Mary Ryan, 10 St. Senans Rd.
 Tues 8am Anne Corry, Darragh.
 Fri 11am Rita Mulkerrins, Marian Avenue.
 7.30pm Rice College Graduation Mass
 Sat 11am Joe Arthur, Gort Rd.
 7pm Mary Doorty, Tulla Rd.
 Sun 3rd 8am Sean & Christy Glynn.
 10am Mickey & Mary O'Gorman, 63 Marian Ave.
 11.30am Eileen O'Loughlin. 1st Anniv.
 & PJ O'Loughlin Kevin Barry Avenue.



Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 9.30am: Christopher Keane, 49 Fergus Park.
 11am: Flan Cassidy, "Loyola", Cusack Road.
 Mon 9.30am: Peter & Peter Joseph Foley, Cusack Lawn

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



Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Poland: visiting Warsaw, Czestochowa & Krakow. Following in the footsteps of St. Faustina, St. Maximilian Kolbe & Pope John Paul II. Oct 8th for 9 nights. Spiritual Director: Fr. John Walsh. ☎ Kathleen 061-368549. Price: €1169.00.

Fatima Pilgrimage - August 27th, departs Shannon; Price: 814 euro; Spiritual Director Peter Byrne CSsR, Redemptorist Monastery, Limerick. ☎ Teresa Leahy at 061-351416; 087 6481956.



Ennis Toastmasters will hold their next meeting on Tuesday 28th April at 8:30pm at Temple Gate Hotel. Guests are always welcome

Sr. Ethel Burren Walk: The organisers wish to express their gratitude to all who helped to make the event a success and sincerely thank all who contributed so generously. We hope to make it an annual event and look forward to next year.

Charity Walk for Pemba Island on Thursday May 21st. Sponsorship Cards available from Maura Brooks at Cathedral House or €20 registration fee on the day. Gathering for 8K Walk, run or jog from one mile inn at 6pm, setting off with traditional music, and spot prizes at the finish.



Clare Burren Marathon on Sat May 23 at 9am. Full/half/mini marathon; walk or jog; Charity of your choice; Ballyvaughan; 087 2691147; Entry to be in before May 10th. info@www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com;

Kilmaley Vintage Rally: Sunday 3rd May opposite Kilmaley Hurling Field. A Vast range of stationary engines, cars and tractors on display. There will also be vintage steam thrashing on the day. Cake Stall and a Bouncing Castle for the Children. All proceeds raised from this event are in aid of "The Children's Light of Hope Cystic Fibrosis."



Friary News

Hour of Prayer for Peace
 The Secular Franciscan Order (SFO) will hold a monthly hour of prayer for peace in the Poor Clare Chapel each First Sat. of the month from 4.30-5.30pm, starting next Sat. May 2nd. Some short prayers will be said at the beginning of the hour but it will be essentially a quiet hour of prayer for peace. The blessed Sacrament will be exposed. Everyone is invited to come and join us in prayer.



Celebrating 800 Years

Keep up with the forthcoming Franciscan 800 celebrations in Ennis on Fr. Hugh's mini-website @www.Ennis800.blogspot.com

Ar chuala tú an chuach?



Go mbeirimid beo ar an am seo arís agus go maire an óige istigh in ár gcroí.

St. Joseph's Young Priests' Society Meeting on Fri 1st May after 7.30pm mass in St. Joseph's. All are welcome.

FAS

Access Programme Ennis. Are you in receipt of a Social Welfare Payment and looking for a new challenge? Do you want to make friends and upgrade your skills? The FAS Access Programme (Ennis) offers you the opportunity to take part in a part time education and training programme. You will receive a FAS training allowance and a contribution towards childcare. The programme runs from 9am to 1pm Monday to Friday. Learners will work towards gaining a FETAC Major Award in Vocational Employment Skills. We are currently recruiting new learners. For more information please contact Sam or Sharon on 065-6823339.

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat:6.30 Mary Bridget Stephens, Clonroad 1st Anniv. & Albert & Sr. Marie Stephens.
 Sun.:9am Rita O'Brien (nee Lynch) Kilrush Rd.
 10am Ned Collins, 39 St Flannans Tce. Freddie & May Gilligan, & deceased family members late 292 Gollinks Rd. Lil Neylon, 11 Market Street. Joseph Ryan, Feakle & Birdhill.
 11am Kitty Kennealy, Fergus Park. 1st Anniv.
 12.15pm Ann Moriarty-Henry, 47 Westfields 1st Anniv.
 Mon:8am Mary Sullivan & Dec'd family membs Mullagh.
 10am John & Kathleen Flanagan, late Market St & Connolly Villas.
 7.30pm John McAllister, 62 Drumbiggle Rd.
 Tues.:8am Aine & Frank Coote, Gort Rd.
 10am Kathleen Sorcha, Cappamore Barefield.
 7.30pm Decd members of Foley & Brodie families.
 Wed.:8am Mass for the People.
 10am Bridie & Michael O'Donoghue, 15 Limerick Rd.
 7.30pm Rachel O'Loughlin, 35 Turnpike Rd & Dolores Roberts.
 Thurs.:8am Patrick Cleary, 7 Clancy Park. MM
 10am Kelly Family, Dalcassian Ave.
 7.30pm Jimmy Kelly, 2 Kilrush Rd.
 Fri.:8am Mass for the People.
 10am Eoin Linnane, 74 Parnell St.
 7.30pm Mass for the People.
 Sat.:10am Dec'd memb's Cullinan family, Drumcliffe Rd.
 11am Mass for the People.
 6.30pm Martin O'Shaughnessy, 11 Gallows Hill 1st Anniv
 Sun.:9am Nora McDonagh, Clonroad.
 10am Chris Meaney, Limerick Rd. Ann Murphy, late 108 Clancy Park. Patrick & May Scanlan, Kilmaley. Jerome & Francis Greene, 55 Cahercalla Est.
 11am Thomas Nihill, 5 Francis Street. 1st Anniv.
 12.15pm Willie Bonner, Caherlaghan, Tulla. MM

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday, 3rd May, 2009
 Readers: Group 3
 Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 1
 Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Rest in Peace

Bridget Coughlan, Corofin, mother of Geraldine Moloney, The Crescent; Gene Burke, Perth & formerly Athenry, brother in law of Maura Ryan, Roslevan; Kevin Lynch, Kilrush, father of Kevin Lynch Lifford Rd; Brian McCarthy, late of Tulla & Australia, brother of Freda Nihill, Francis St.; P.J. Hogan, England & Kilkee, brother of Paddy Hogan, Elm Park; Mary Twomey, Kilnamona, wife of Brian Twomey late of McNamara Pk.; Katie Lonergan, Bansha, sister of Ena Kelly, St. Michael's Villas;

For Your Diary

- ◆ Pastoral Council Meeting Tuesday 28th April, Chapter room 8pm.
- ◆ Cathedral Liturgy Group Monday 11th May.
- ◆ Blessing of New Life 6th May at 8pm in Cathedral.
- ◆ Summer Blessing for Pre-Schools 3rd June at 12noon in Cathedral.



Today's Scripture Readings

With Inclusive Text



First Reading: Acts 3:13-15.17-19

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Peter said to the people: You are Israelites, and it is the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

Now I know, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

When I call answer me,
O God of justice;
From anguish you released me,
Have mercy and hear me!

R

It is the Lord who grants favours
to those whom he loves;
The Lord hears me whenever I call Him. **R**

"What can bring us happiness?" many say.
Lift up the light of your face
on us, O Lord. **R**

I will lie down in peace and
sleep comes at once,
For you alone, Lord, make me
dwell in safety. **R**

Second Reading: 1 John 2:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St. John

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know God',

and does not keep God's commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.
But when we obey what God has said,
God's love comes to perfection in us.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.

Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord

