

Moments in my Life

There are moments in your life when you miss someone so much you just want to pick them from your dreams and hug them for real.

When the door of happiness closes, another opens, but often times we look so long at the closed door that we do not see the one, which has been opened for us.

Don't go for looks, they can deceive. Don't go for wealth, even that fades away. Go for someone who makes you smile because it takes only a smile to make a dark day seem bright. Find the one who makes your heart smile.

Dream what you want to dream; go where you want to go; be what you want to be; because you only have one life and one chance to do all the things you want to do.

May you have enough happiness to make you sweet, enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human, enough hope to make you happy. The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes their way.

Love begins with a smile, grows with a kiss and ends with a tear. The brightest future will always be based on a forgotten past, you can't get on well in life until you let go of your past failures and heartaches.

When you were born you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live life so that when you die, you are the one smiling and everyone around you is crying.

Dear Parishioner,

We present this Parish Directory outlining Church and Community services in the Town of Ennis.

It has a wealth of information about our parish — times of Masses, information on various Church Groups and other Organisations working in the Community.

Ennis parish has a population of 17,000 approx and forms part of the wider town of Ennis.

The parish is served by the Bishop and seven diocesan Priests, together with the Friars of the Franciscan Community and the Religious Sisters.

We have four churches - Cathedral, St. Joseph's, Friary and Cloughleigh - eight primary schools, five post primary schools and a number of other buildings.

The parish is divided into five pastoral areas with one Priest assigned to each region. Because it is a busy parish the priests have found it increasingly difficult in recent years to do parish visitation. We are conscious of the fact that some people complain that "we never see a priest". We have a visitation group who visit a number of Estates during the year. They are part of our Parish outreach group.

Ennis Parish is part of a Cluster of Parishes - Clooney/Quin; Doora/Barefield & Clarecastle/Ballyea. More and more we are working as a Cluster Group - sharing resources and sharing Priest personnel.

A Polish priest, Fr. Tomasz Daukszewicz is in residence in Cathedral House with responsibility for the Pastoral care of the Polish Community in the Parish. Mass is celebrated in Ennis Cathedral each Sunday at 3.00pm

A Redemptorist priest, Fr. Seán Lawlor celebrates Mass in Portuguese for the Brazilian Community in the Poor Clare Chapel on the 4th Saturday of each month at 8.00pm

Mass in Pairc na Coille Nursing Home, Showgrounds Road, each Saturday @ 3.00pm.

Mass with Ennis Gospel Choir on the last Sunday of each month in St. Joseph's Church at 6.30pm

Mass in the Extraordinary form (Latin Rite) on 1st Sunday of each month in St. Josephs at 5.30pm.

If you would like to become involved in any aspect of the work of the Parish, please contact the Parish Office @ 065 6824043.

With kind good wishes, *Ennis Parish Visitation Team*

Ennis Parish Services

Priests of the Parish:

Parish Priest: Most Rev Kieran O'Reilly, Westbourne, Ennis. 065-6828638

Cathedral Adm.: Fr. Tom Hogan, Cathedral Presbytery, O'Connell Street, 065-6824043, Mobile: 087-6446410

Fr. Fergal O'Neill C.C., Clarecastle, Mobile: 087 6615975

Fr. Ger Fitzgerald C.C., Cathedral Presbytery, O'Connell Street, Ennis 065-6824043, Mobile: 086 1697595

Canon Pat Taaffe, 3, Cottage Gardens, Station Road, Ennis. 065-6891983, Mobile: 086-1731070

Fr. Patrick Conway, Westbourne House, Lahinch Road, Ennis. Mobile: 087- 6831992

St. Joseph's Adm.: Fr. John Mc Govern, 52 Kincora Park, Lifford, 065-6822166,

Cloughleigh: Fr. Tom O'Gorman, 1 Shallee Drive, Cloughleigh, 6840715.

Franciscan Friary: Fr. Liam Kelly, Guardian, Francis Street, Ennis 065-6828751. email: friars.ennis@eircom.net

Parish Team Sisters: Sr. Anne Boland : Mobile 087-1369517
Sr. de Montfort: Mobile 086-1993838
Sr. Betty Curtin: Mobile 086 3715018

Polish Chaplain: Fr.. Tomasz Daukszewicz Cathedral House, 065 6824043; Mobile 087 0515788; email: tomasodau@gmail.com

Abbey Cluster:

Doora/Barefield: 065 6822225/086 2508444 Fr. Jerry Carey

Quin: 065 6825612, Fr. Michael Collins

Clarecastle: 065 6843471, Fr. Harry Brady

Ennis: 065 6824043, Fr. Tom Hogan



Connect Groups Members

Connect Group Area A

Ann O'Loughlin
Sr. de Montfort
Tommy Mahony
Fr. Fergal O'Neill

Connect Group C.

Fr. Ger Fitzgerald
Sr. Ann Boland
Tikki Daly
Mary Moloney
Canon Pat Taaffe

Connect Group Area E

Sr. Carmel Kehoe
Maureen Hand
Jean Guilfoyle
Emmanuel Mc Mahon
Fr. Paddy Conway
Fr. Tom Hogan

St. Joseph's Connect Group B & F.

Fionnuala Moran
Dominic Considine
Jim Mc Mahon
Sr. Aingeal Nic Mhathúna
Helen Whyat
Fr. John Mc Govern

Cloughleigh Connect Group D

Sr. Mairéad Kelly
David Casey
Mary McDermott
Sean McDermott
Nancy O'Connor.
Antoinette Barry
Ben Mba-Ileozor
Mary Corey
Fr. Tom O'Gorman

A Blessing On Your Home

May God bless your home from its
foundation to its roof.

May He bless every doorpost, every stone and
timber.

May He bless the family and the table on which the
food is set.

May He bless the door that we open
willingly to the poor and the stranger,
as well as to our relatives.

May He bless the windows which let in the light to
us from sun, moon and stars.

May He bless the roof above our heads,
and each firm wall surrounding us today.

With our neighbours, may peace and love abound.
May God bless this family of ours and keep it from
danger; and may He lead us all to His own kingly
house of hospitality forever.

Amen

Addictions: Alcoholism & Drug Dependency; Gambling

Alcoholics Anonymous:

061-364254/ 065- 6838316/ 065-6829417

Al Anon:

Tel 01 8732699.

Alcoholism & Drug Dependency:

Clarecare, Harmony Row, Ennis, 065- 6828178

Bushypark Residential Treatment Centre,

Bushypark House, Ennis, 065- 6840944 www.bushypark.ie

Bushypark Aftercare:

St. Anthony's Hall, Francis Street every Thursday at 8.30 p.m.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association:

Secretary: Anna Lyons . Tel. 065 6822365

Gamblers Anonymous: Monday, Wednesday & Friday at Social Services
Centre, Henry Street, Limerick at 8.30pm Tel. 061 314111



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Blessed Sacrament Chapel beside the Cathedral - continuous
adoration day and night. Volunteers to watch one hour should
contact the Parish Office: 065-6824043 or Maurice Griffin: 065-6824825.

Poor Clare Monastery - daily 3 p.m. - 7 p.m. with Benediction and Evening
Prayer at 5.30 p.m. on Sundays.

Friary Church: First Fridays after the 10.00 a.m. Mass, until Benediction
at 5.55p.m.



Altar Society: *Floral decoration of Church and care of Altar Linen*

Cathedral: Josepha Quigley 6823795

St. Joseph's: Fr. John Mc Govern 6822166/6821511

Cloughleigh: Fr. Tom O'Gorman 6840715

ACCORD, c/o Clarecare, Harmony Row, Ennis, 1850-58-5000 / 6824297
Pre Marriage course. Confidential counselling for people experiencing
difficulties in their marriage by trained counsellors, fertility counselling and
family planning also marital sexual therapy.

Engaged Encounter at Esker, Athenry, Tel: 091-562331

Adoption Society: St. Catherine's Adoption Society, Clarecare, Harmony
Row. 065 6828178. Contact: Laura O' Callaghan, Joan O'Keeffe, Michelle
Dowling or Carmel O' Dea:, Michelle O'Halloran, Admin Sec.

Alzheimer Association - Clare Branch

A day care centre operates three times weekly in Respond House, Drumbiggle (off the Market). Open from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. **Contact** : Mary at 6823514 during opening times.

Monthly support meetings are held for carers, relatives and friends at the Alzheimer Office, Unit 17, Clonroad Business Park, Clonroad, Ennis, on the second Thursday of each month at 8.00pm.

Support meetings also held in Kilrush and Ennistymon, contact 6823514 for details.

Home care support can be obtained from this office for carers in need of a break. Telephone: Brigid or Pauline at 6845835 or 6868621. Drop in service for information available at office, Unit 17, Clonroad Business Park.

Apostolic Works Society, at Maria Assumpta Hall, Station Road. *Hours of opening Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 10.00am to 1.00 pm and 2.00pm to 5.00pm, Tel: 6823351*



Aware: Aware is an organisation formed in 1985 by a group of interested patients, relatives and mental health professionals. Meetings are held all over the country to give help and encouragement to people suffering from depression and to their relatives.

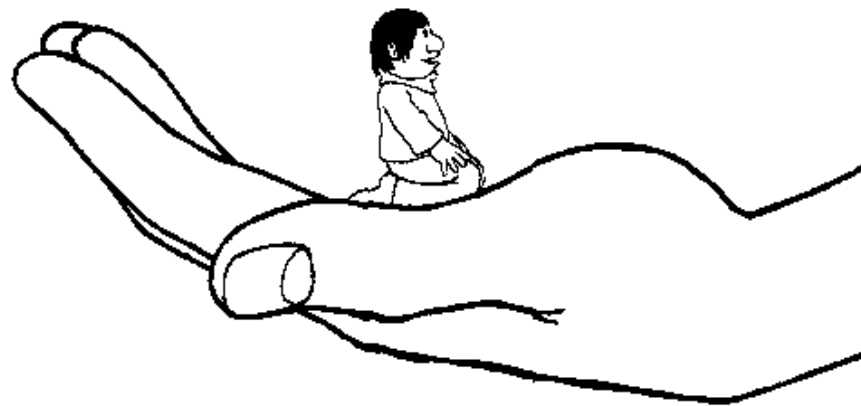
Contact no: 01 6766166. www.aware.ie

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grow-www.grow.ie. console-www.console.ie



One can't prove God exists
with absolute certainty



Most people don't try to
prove God exists.
They search for Him and
find Him.
Some don't bother to look.

Safety Declaration

Introduction:

This Safety Declaration is made by Ennis Parish Pastoral Council in order to state clearly its policy on safety. Our objective is to endeavour to provide a safe and healthy environment for all our employees and to meet our duties to contractors and members of the public who may be affected by our operations. The success of the policy will depend on your co-operation. It is, therefore, important that you read the safety document (available in the Parish office) carefully, and understand your role and the overall arrangements for health and safety at Ennis Parish.

It is our intention to review this statement in the light of experience and developments annually.

Baptisms: Arrange date of baptism at the :

Cathedral (6824043);

St. Joseph's Church (6822166);

Cloughleigh (6840715).

Baptism takes place every Sunday in the Cathedral at 2.00pm

Please give at least three weeks notice.

Baptismal Team Coordinator: Sr. Madeline Tel: 6824043



Bereavement & General Counselling

Parish Bereavement Visitation Team

Contact: Sr. Anne Boland. **065 6824043**

Eithne Gleeson Counsellor: 065 6824892 / 087 6679516

Bereaved Parents Association An organisation for bereaved parents (grandparents, brothers, sisters), who have lost a child of any age. Meetings to suit you, or any Tuesday @ 8.00pm in Cathedral House, or Friary parlour any day.

Contact Ann @ 6820024 to arrange

Clare Suicide Bereavement Support:

This is a group of trained, non professional volunteers who befriend and support individuals, families and communities bereaved by suicide. The suicide may be recent or in the past. A meeting is held on the 1st Wednesday of every month where there is a chance for the bereaved to support each other in coming to terms with what has happened. Clare Suicide Bereavement Support can be contacted by telephone or text at 086 0565373 / 08703698315.

www.claresuicidebereavement.com

Other Help lines: *Aware:* 1890 303 302 www.aware.ie

Samaritans: 1850 609 090 www.samaritans.org

Solas Support Group: 086 0828807 Johanna Treacy

Teenline Ireland: 1800 833 634 www.teenline.ie

STEM Support Group: Bereavement Support Group. Providing individual and group counselling for the bereaved. All counsellors are qualified and have experience working in this area. We operate in Ennis and North Clare. Service is free and confidential but a small voluntary contribution is appreciated.

Partially funded by: Lotteries; HSE and Family Support Agency.

Contact Pauline Bradley on 087 6383988

Adult Counselling Service, H.S.E., Ennis

Confidential professional counselling available free of charge for adults who suffered any kind of abuse and neglect in childhood. **Phone : 1800 234 115**

Rainbows: Rainbows is a support group programme for children who have suffered significant loss in their lives, either through death, divorce or other painful transition.

Contact: Catriona Mc Nicholas @ 087 6245675



Blind: National Council of the Blind:

Clare Branch, Community Resource Worker: Maura Barry @ 086 8109088.



Cancer Support Group:

National Cancer Support Group: Contact no: 1800 200 700
Action Breast Cancer support: Contact no: 1800 30 90 40
Irish Cancer Society: 5, Northumberland Road, Dublin 4.
Free Breast Check: 1800 454 555
Clare Cancer Support: www.clarecancersupport.com / 087 6912396

Cloughleigh Community Centre:

Cloughleigh Community Centre is based at Davitt Terrace, Cloughleigh. The centre is community based and is administered by Cloughleigh Residents & Development group.

This group is voluntary and liaise with the statutory bodies for the betterment of the community of Cloughleigh.

Chairman: Noel Fawl, Gordon Drive, Cloughleigh.

Vice-Chairman: Flan Brennan, Morrissey Ave., Cloughleigh

Treasurer: Kieran Walsh, 065 6820745

Assist Treasurer: Flan Brennan, 065 6822601

Assist Secretary & RAPID Community Chairperson: Dolores Nevin; 6842096.

RAPID Community Rep.: Flan Brennan, Dolores Nevin & Robert Wilkie.

Committee Members: *Carmel O’Grady; Fr. O’Gorman, Cloughleigh Curate, Noel Fawl; Flan Brennan; Kieran Walsh; Dolores Nevin*

The Community Centre is available for Hire at a nominal fee, proof of insurance will be required.

These activities are currently run at the Centre:

Mondays: Playgroup :9.15 a.m. to 12.30pm (Marion)

Young at Heart Go for Life 3.30pm (Nellie & Mary)

Tuesdays: Playgroup : 9.15 a.m. to 12.30pm (Marion)

Yoga 8.00pm to 9.00pm: (Sarah)

Wednesdays : Playgroup : 9.15 a.m. to 12.30pm (Marion)

Judo (Albert & Joe) 7 to 9.30 p.m.

Thursdays : Playgroup : 9.15 a.m. to 12.30pm (Marion)

Youth Club 7.00pm to 9.30pm (Glen)

Fridays: Playgroup : 9.15 a.m. to 12.30pm (Marion)

Friday Club 7.00pm to 9.00pm , (Margaret)

- ◆ Hall is used by different interest groups for committee meetings.
- ◆ Occasional functions for older people;
- ◆ Christmas activities and children’s Summer Camp.



Working with Children / Young People. In Ennis Parish Policy Statement.

The Parish of Ennis, welcomes and encourages the participation of children, young people and adults in Parish life and activities.

The Parish strives to create a safe environment for all involved.

Code of Conduct.

Children, young People and Adults treat each other with respect.

All Children, Young People are treated fairly and equitably.

If a Child, Parent / Guardian is unhappy with any aspect of the child’s / young persons care, all aspects of any complaint will be considered by a third party.

Children, Young People and Adults will use respectful language.

Children, Young People and Adults will respect the individuals right to privacy.

The physical integrity of Children, Young People and Adults will be respected.

Children, Young People and Adults will respect the property and premises connected with Parish activities.

Children and Young People will not be given alcohol or illegal drugs, under any circumstances.

The above code is in accordance with “The Keeping Children Safe”, guidelines. (*issued by the Diocese of Killaloe, March 2004*).

Parish Representatives for ‘The Keeping Children Safe’:

Monica Gallagher ; Cathy McHugh & Geraldine Cummins.

Diocesan Child Protection Workers:

Mary Nash 065 6839339 / 086 0471254

Joe Searson 065 7087875 / 087 6762023

Sunday Masses in Ennis

- Saturday:** 6.30 p.m. Cathedral
7.00 p.m. St. Joseph's
7.30 p.m. Friary
- Sunday:** 7.45 a.m. Poor Clare Monastery
8.00 a.m. St. Joseph's
9.00 a.m. Cathedral
9.00 a.m. Ennis General Hospital
9.30 a.m. Cloughleigh Church
9.30 a.m. Friary
10.00 a.m. St. Joseph's
10.30 a.m. Cathedral
10.30 a.m. Friary
10.30 am Cahercalla Hospital
11.00 a.m. Cloughleigh Church
11.30 a.m. St. Joseph's
12.noon Cathedral
12. noon Friary
3.00pm Cathedral (Polish Community)

Holydays of Obligation

- Eve of Holyday:** 6.30 p.m. Cathedral
7.00 p.m. St. Joseph's
7.30 p.m. Friary
- Holyday:** Same as on Sunday in St. Joseph's & Cloughleigh
- Cathedral:** 9.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 12.00 noon & 6.30 p.m.
- Friary:** 10 a.m.; 12 noon; 1.05 p.m.

Confessions

Cathedral: Each Saturday 12 noon to 1.00 p.m. & before & after 6.30 p.m. Mass on Saturday.

St. Joseph's Church: Before the 11.00 a.m. Mass and the 7.00 p.m. Mass on Saturdays.

The Friary: Confessions are heard each day from Tuesday to Friday in the Confessional room beside Our Lady's Shrine at the following times: 11.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; 3.00pm to 5.30 p.m..

Confessions times on Saturdays: 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. and 2.00 p.m. – 5.30pm

Catholic Churches:

Cathedral of Ss. Peter & Paul,	O'Connell Street, Ennis	065-6824043.
St. Joseph's Church,	Lifford Road, Ennis	065-6822166.
Christ the King Church,	Cloughleigh Road, Ennis	065-6840715.
Franciscan Church,	Francis Street, Ennis	065-6828751.
Poor Clare Monastery,	Francis Street, Ennis	065-6828023.

Caring for Carers: Meet at Clarecare, Harmony Row, Ennis on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m. Contact 065-6866515. Carers Centre, 2 Carmody St. Business Park, Carmody Street. open Monday to Friday from 10.00 am to 4.00 pm where information, support and advice are available for carers.



Christian Brothers Monastery, New Road, Ennis, 065-6821471.

Clarecare, Harmony Row, Ennis 065-6828178. A professional voluntary agency, which aims to provide a range of people centred accessible services that meet current and changing needs in Co. Clare. See also under Social Services for more information.

Convents: Sisters of Mercy:

1 Corrovorrin Crescent, Ennis,	065-6841375.
Garinis, Clonroadmore, Ennis	065-6820768.
8 Greendale, Clonroad, Ennis,	065-6840385.
5 & 6 Rosanore, Lifford, Ennis	065-6821554.
7 Shalee Drive, Cloughleigh, Ennis,	065-6828894.
St. Xavier's Convent, Clonroad, Ennis,	065-6828024.
10 & 11 Ardlea Close, Limerick Rd., Ennis	065-6842399.
84 Aughanteeroe, Gort Road, Ennis	065- 6844533.
2 Glen Gardens, Clonroadmore	

Sisters of Joseph of the Sacred Heart:

7 Woodlands, Kilrush Road, Ennis 065-6844742
(Sr. Ann Boland & Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan).

St. John of God Sisters: Sr. Carmel Kehoe, Water Park, Ennis.

La Sante Union : 40 Cregaun, Tobartaoscairn, 065-6823035

Rita Kilroy, (Community Worker), &

Dympna Bonfield, (Art Therapy with Health Board, Kilrush & private practice).



Choirs:

Cathedral:	Contact: Leon Walsh	087 0566549
St. Joseph's Church:	Contact: Fr. J. Mc Govern	065-6822166
Cloughleigh:	Contact: Fr. Tom O'Gorman,	065 6840715
The Friary:	Contact: Michelle Hennessy	065-6828751
Abbey Gospel Choir:	Contact: Fiona Walsh	087-6886378
Youth Choir:	Contact Michael Hennessy	087 9453665
Cantara Choir:	Contact Geraldine Bradley	065 6842573
Young at Heart Choir:	Contact Joan Duggan	065 6821391
Cathedral Folk Choir:	Contact Fr. Fergal O' Neill	087 6615975



Clare County Council: **065-6821616**



Clare Haven House: Supporting and Advising Women and Families about Domestic Violence at Munster House, Gort Road Ind. Estate, Ennis Monday to Friday 9.00am to 5.30pm. **Telephone:** 065-6842646; **Fax.** 065-6842654 **Help Line:** 065-6822435/ 6849777(24 hour)

C. I O. C. (formerly Clare unemployment Resource Centre) The congress information & opportunity Centre deliver services to long term unemployed and disadvantaged groups in Clare. Contact: Springfield House, Harmony Row, Ennis, **065-6841009.** Fax: 065-6842132: email: cioc@eircom.net

Clare Youth Information Bureau: Carmody Street, Ennis. Tel: **065-6824137.**

Director: Margaret Slattery, Rights & entitlements, accommodation, travel, local info, working abroad, education, application forms, outreach programmes, full secretarial & printing service available.

Youth Training Schemes: Contact Youth Centre, Carmody St.



Community Centre: Chapel Lane, Ennis, **065-6828646.**

Open Monday to Friday. Meals for the elderly, Bingo, meeting rooms available.

Contact: Kevin Kenneally, Caretaker.

Credit Union: St. Francis Credit Union, Friar's Walk, Ennis. **065-6828305**



Cura: Unexpected pregnancy is hard to take. For confidential and free advice contact Cura @ 6829905. Office at 2 Barrack Close, Ennis. Open on Monday 7.00pm to 9.00pm and on Wed. & Thursday 11.00am to 1.00pm

Deaf and Impaired Hearing:

Tel., Geraldine Colleran @ 061- 467494/ 061- 467495,

Video 'phone: 061- 467492



Weekday Masses

Cathedral



Mon. - Fri.: 7.45am; 10.00 a.m. & 7.30 p.m.
Saturday: 10.00 a.m.

St. Joseph's Church

Mon. - Sat.: 11.00 a.m.



Cloughleigh Church



Mon. - Fri.: 9.30 a.m.

Franciscan Friary



Monday - Friday: 10.00 a.m.; 1.05 p.m.
Tuesdays: 10.00 a.m.; 1.05 p.m. & 7.30 p.m.

(The 10.00 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. on Tues. are Special St. Anthony Masses)

Monday to Saturday Morning Prayer at 9.30 a.m. each day.

Saturday: 10.00 a.m.

Bank Holidays: 12noon

Poor Clare Monastery

Monday - Sunday: 7.45 a.m.

Bank Holidays: 8.30 a.m.

Cahercalla Hospital

Monday to Sunday: 10.30am

† **Priests are always available for pastoral counselling and blessings at all churches. If you would like to talk with a priest at any time, please phone 6824043.**

Our thanks to all who helped produce this booklet

Primary Schools:

Christian Brothers, New Road, Ennis, 065-6822150
• **Principal:** Liam de Róiste
Chairperson of Board of Mng: Michael Gallagher

Ennis National School, Kilrush Road, Ennis, 065-6829158
• **Principal:** Ray Mc Inerney
Chairperson of Board of Mng: David Casey

Holy Family, Station Road, Ennis:- Junior School: 065-6829808
• **Principal:** Sharon Dilger
Chairperson of Board of Mng: John O'Beirne

Holy Family, Station Road, Ennis:- Senior School: 065-6828893, Fax: 6843789
• **Principal:** Sarah Connolly Barnes
Chairperson of Board of Mng: Carmel Honan

Cloughleigh National School, Cloughleigh Road, Ennis, : 065-6820105
• **Principal:** Fiona Power
Chairperson of Board of Mng: Cecil Mc Donagh

Gael Scoil, Glenina, Gort Road, Ennis, 065-6821220.
• **Principal:** Dónal ó hAiniféin
Chairperson of Board of Mng: Caomhán Ó Conghaile

Ennis Educated Together National School, Gort Road, Ennis: 065-6820070.
• **Principal:** Sean ó Conphaola
Chairperson of Board of Mng: Jarlath Munnelly

St. Anne's Special School, Lifford, Ennis. 065 6829072
• **Principal:** Caroline Lodge
Chairperson of Board of Mng: Kieran Carr

St. Clare's Special School & Pre School 065 6821899
• **Principal:** Moira Lawlor
Chairperson of Board of Management John Costello

Secondary Schools:

Colaiste Muire, Harmony Row, Ennis, 065-6829497 / 6828605
• **Principal:** Jean Pound

Rice College, New Road, Ennis, 065-6822105
• **Principal:** Louis Mulqueen

St. Flannan's College, Limerick Road, Ennis 065-6828019 / 6824053
• **Principal:** Colm Mc Donagh

Ennis Community College, Mill Road, Ennis, 065-6829432 / 6822336
• **Principal:** Matt Power

Gael Cholaiste An Chlair, Mill Road, Ennis, 065-6829432 Ex.26
• **Muinteoir i bhfeighil:** Áine Ní Mhaoilchéire



Ennis Citizen Advice & Info. Centre, Bindon Lane, Ennis. Tel: 6841221

Ennis Town (Urban) Council: Waterpark House, Drumbiggle 6828040

Ennis West Partners, Orchard Lane, Hermitage, Phone 6823339

Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Altar Servers:

If you would like to volunteer for any of these ministries, contact the Cathedral (6824043), St. Joseph's Church (6822166), Cloughleigh (6840715), The Friary (6828751)



Evening Prayer with Benediction:

Cathedral on Sundays at 5.30 p.m. (from Advent to the end of Lent).

Franciscan Friary: Francis Street, Ennis 6828751.

Friary Office: Priests always available for pastoral counselling and blessings.

Franciscan Missionary Union: Enquire at Friary Office.

Secular Franciscan Order (S.F.O.): Formerly the Third Order of St. Francis. Meetings on 1st Wednesday of each month at 10.00 a.m. and 7.30 p.m..

Friends of Old Drumcliffe:

Voluntary work groups involved with the maintenance of Old Drumcliffe graveyard. Workday : Saturday from 10am to 1pm. Contact : 6824043.

Friends of St. Joseph: Fr. John Mc Govern 6822166

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Home Help Service: Contact Mary Cosgrove, at Clarecare: 6828178.

Hospitals:

Ennis General Hospital , Gort Road, Ennis	Tel: 6824464. Fax: 6820476 Fax: 6863270
Acute Unit (Psychiatric) Cappahard Nursing Home	Tel: 6863218 Tel: 6865436/6865456
St. Joseph's Hospital , Lifford Road, Ennis, (Priests of the Parish provide Chaplaincy to the above).	Tel: 6840666. Fax: 6821015
Cahercalla Community Hospital , Cahercalla, Chaplains: Fr. Gerry Fitzpatrick and Priests from Ennis Parish	Tel: 6824388. Fax: 6841292
Páirc na Coille Retirement Home Chaplain: Fr. Patrick Conway	Tel: 6824238 Tel: 087- 6831992

Legion of Mary:

Senior Presidium (Men & Women) meet on Mondays at 7.30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Meeting Hall, 51 Kincora Park, Lifford, Ennis.
Newcomers are very welcome.

Mid Clare Comitium Meeting: 2nd Thursday of every month at 8.00pm.
Venue: Venerable Edel Quinn Room, Maria Assumpta Hall, Station Road, Ennis.

Mass in Honour of Our Lady

with Novena Prayer at 10.00 a.m. every Saturday in the Friary Church.

Our Lady of Fatima devotions in the Cathedral on the 1st Saturday of each month after 10.00am Mass.



Youth Activities in Ennis:

Cloughleigh Youth Club: This club meets every Wednesday evening (September to May) in the Cloughleigh Community Centre.

Elmo's Attic: This is a drop-in-centre, which caters for young people over the age of fifteen. It is open every Saturday (Closes for the Summer Months) from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. The centre is staffed by young people who are supported by a small number of adults.

The Junction, Cloughleigh Road, Ennis. A youth and Community development to serve the Youth and Community needs in Ennis. Contact Jean Tierney, Project Manager @ 6845350 email jtierney@clareyouthservices.org

Young Bands: This project operates in conjunction with Elmo's Attic and involves supporting the formation of young bands. Local bands receive the opportunity to perform at Elmo's on a monthly basis.

Summer Programme:

The Youth Service organise a range of summer projects which include the following:

- **Play scheme:** which caters for children aged between 9 and 11, operates over two weeks in July.
- **Summer Camp:** caters for children age 11 to 13 and is also held in July. Both of these programmed involve almost five hundred participants in a range of educational and entertaining activities.
- **Volunteer's Programme:** caters for young adults age 17 and over. The participants in this programme receive training to work with young people on the Summer Camp and Play scheme.

Further information on all programmes and activities contact Margaret Slattery, at the Clare Youth Service, Carmody Street, Ennis 065-6824137

Lee's Road Sports Ground: consisting of 4 playing pitches; 1 all weather pitch; 8 dressing rooms with canteen and shower facilities and office. There are also walk areas and sand based running track. For booking or more info. contact 065 6867175

Ennis Scout Group: The 1st & 4th Clare Scout Group consist of

2 Beaver Nights, Wednesday & Friday from 7.00pm to 8.00pm (6 to 8 year olds).

3 Cubs Nights, Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. (8 to 11 year olds)

2 Scout Nights, Monday & Tuesday 8.30pm to 10.00pm (11 to 15 years)

In Ennis we have a great group of Leaders, however like every other voluntary organisation we are always on the look out for new Leaders who are willing to give their time and knowledge to the younger people of Ennis. If you wish to find out more about Scouting in Ennis, please contact: Pat O'Connell @ 087 9967531 Kevin Malone @ 087 7402142

Girl Guides, Brownies, Ladybirds:

Contact: Betty Woods, 1 McNamara Park @ 6829046.

St. Anthony's Day Centre: Francis Street, Ennis. A Day Care Centre run by the Mid-Western Health Board. Open Monday - Friday.

Monday: 8 p.m. - G.R.O.W. ;

Tuesday: 8.30 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group;

Thursday: 8.00 p.m. Bushypark Aftercare. & 8.30 p.m. Women's Club;

Friday: 8 – 10 p.m. Social Club; and **Sunday:** 8.00 p.m. Whist Drive.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society:

Aim of society is to promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life and to assist financially students for the priesthood. Mass and Meeting for members on the First Friday of each month at 7.30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Church.

The Samaritans

The local Branch of the Samaritans provides confidential emotional support to people, of any age, who may feel the need to talk about any concern or aspect of their lives. They can be contacted by phone 6829777 or 1850 60 90 90 – for the price of a local call. Any person of any age can visit the Samaritans (Kilrush Road) any day between 10am and 10pm or phone anytime 24 hours a day/365 days a year.

Taize Prayer: 2nd Thursday of each month in Poor Clare Convent Chapel.

Contact: Fr. Jerry Carey: 086 2508444



Vocations: Diocesan Director:

Rev. Ignatius Mc Cormack, St. Flannan's College, Ennis. Tel: 6828019.

Religious Life: Contact 'Convents,' or 'Christian Brother's Monastery' or Friary.



Marriage: Thinking of getting Married? Give at least three months notice of marriage to one of the priests at the Cathedral (6824043), St. Joseph's Church (6822166) or Cloughleigh (6840715).

Civil Requirements – three months notice of marriage – contact The Superintendent Registrar for Births, Deaths and Marriages, Sandfield Centre, **Phone: 6868050.** or any Registry Office



Pre-Marriage Courses: *Accord, Clarecare*, Harmony Row, Ennis, Phone to book course at 6824297 or 1850-58-5000. *Esker, Athenry, (Engaged Encounter)* @ 091 562331; *Mount Argus, Dublin* @ 01 2965257

ACCORD, c/o Clarecare, Harmony Row, Ennis, 1850-58-5000. Confidential counselling for people experiencing difficulties in their marriage, by trained counsellors, fertility counselling and family planning also marital sexual therapy.

Money Advice & Budgeting Service: Help families and individuals with debt problems. Contact Clare M.A.B.S. 8, Harmony Row, Ennis Tel: 6841991.



Clare M.A.B.S.

MOVE: Men overcoming violent emotions, contact: Clarecare @ 6828178.



Poor Clare Monastery: Francis Street, Ennis.

The chapel is open to the public.

Masses: 7.45 a.m. on Sundays, Holydays & all week-days.

Bank Holidays at 8.30a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration daily 3 - 7 p.m., Evening Prayer & Benediction; at 5.30p.m.

Pioneer Total Abstinence Association:

Secretary: Anna Lyons . Tel. 065 6822365

Pray & Play Group:

Simplified Liturgy for children from 3 years to First Holy Communion.

Cathedral during 12.noon Mass; Contact **Julia Hayes 087 2282883**

Cloughleigh during 11.00 a.m. Contact **Fr. Tom O'Gorman 065 6840715**

St. Joseph's during 11.30a.m. Mass. Contact **Fr. John Mc Govern 065 6822166**

The Friary during 10.30a.m. Mass on Sundays. Contact **6828751**

Prayer Groups:

Charismatic Prayer Group: Meetings every Tuesday at 8.30 p.m. in St. Anthony's Hall, Francis Street.



Christian Life Sodality: Meetings of the Sodality in C.B.S. Monastery Chapel, monthly. **Contact:** Sr. Benedict Kenny 6842399.

Lectio Divina: Praying Sunday Readings each Tuesday.
Contact: Br. Dick Burke @ 6822105.



Padre Pio Mass: St. Joseph's Church - 7.30 p.m. on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Filipino Prayer Group: Chapter room, (beside Cathedral sacristy) on Saturday evenings from 8.30pm to 10.00pm

Taize Prayer Group: 2nd Thursday of each month in Poor Clare Convent @ 7.30 . **Contact:** Fr. Jerry Carey @ 086 2508444



Pregnant & Worried? CURA cares. If you need help, contact CURA, 2 Barrack Close, Ennis. Tel: 6829905.



Rainbows: Rainbows is a support group programme for children who have suffered significant loss in their lives, either through death, divorce or other painful transition. **Contact:** Catriona Mc Nicholas @ 087 6245675

Refugee Council Office @ Carmody Street Business Park, Ennis. @ 6822026

Respond: Voluntary Housing Agency & Daycare Centre : Tel: 6823514

Retired: Ennis Active Retired Group: meetings every Tuesday from 11.00 am to 12.00 noon, in Clarecare. 6828178

Old Folks meetings on Monday evening @ 8.00 pm in Community Centre.

For Christmas dinner, contact: Fr. Ger Fitzgerald. 68 24043 & Peggy Kearney

Day Care Centres: Clarecastle @ 6842457;
Kilmaley @ 6839768

Rotary & Lions Clubs, Ennis

Lions Club President: Marie Molloy, Cusack Road.
www.lionsofennis.ie

Rotary Club President: Bob Hanna @ 6820109
www.rotary.org

Soroptimist Ennis & District: President, Stacia Mc Dermott

Social Services:

CLARECARE, Harmony Row, Ennis, 6828178, Director: Fiacre Hensey . Social Work Services, Family support, adoption, home help, single parents, alcoholism, drug dependency, gambling, counselling services, coping with loss, travellers, etc.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul:

The S.V.P. aim to help the poor in Ennis. Conferences on Monday nights at 8.00 pm. (Contact 065-6824043). Written requests—leave at Parish office. S.V.P. Shop, 84 Parnell Street. 065-6824188



SVP Hostel: Laurel Lodge, Clare Road, Ennis. 065 6828003

Special Needs Children:

St. Anne's Day School, Ennis, 6829072 for persons with mild learning difficulties.

St. Clare's Special School and St. Clare's Pre-School, Gort Road, Ennis, 065-6821899 for persons with moderate learning difficulties.

Clare Parents Awareness Group: Support group for parents who have a child with learning problems or other disabilities. Contact St. Anne's School 6829072

Workshops: Brothers of Charity Training Workshop, Industrial Estate, Gort Road, Ennis. 6823123.

St. Joseph's Training Centre, Training Centre for the Travelling Community, Gort Road Industrial Estate. 6822922. www.stjotc.ie