



Ennis Parish News

Mass Times

Sundays:

Cathedral:- Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
St. Joseph's:- Sat. Vigil: 7pm; Sunday: 10am, 11.45am
Cloughleigh Church:- 8.00am, 11am
Friary:- Sat. Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday: 10.30am, 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; Daily Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament from 4-6pm in the Chapel.

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Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: info@ennisparish.com
St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715; Friary: 6828751

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

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/ennis.parish>

Confessions in Cathedral Saturday After 10am Mass & before and after 6.30pm Mass

St Joseph's Saturday After 11am Mass

Parish Office open Mon to Fri 9.30-1pm & 2-5pm Sat 10.30-12noon

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 14th January, 2018

“Come and See”

The Gospel reading from John today is an extraordinarily rich text, which requires careful reading, so I would like to just highlight some of the nuances which may go unnoticed.

Firstly, let's notice who takes the initiative in the reading. It is Jesus. When we meet him he is walking and the disciples of John follow him. The initiative of Jesus is then further stressed when he turns and sees the disciples and questions them. It is important to notice that the disciples are not totally passive in this passage. They have followed Jesus, who now turns and sees them and asks them an unexpected question. One might expect Jesus to ask them, 'Who are you' but instead he asks them 'What do you want?' This question may be seen as one having a far reaching universal application, even for us today, because it could easily be re-phrased as "What do you want out of life?" Life is a precious gift, one to be treasured and not wasted. Our initiative is so important because it answers that question, so pertinent even for our times, "What do you want"

The disciples ask Jesus where he lives, which may be seen in two ways. It could be either an enquiry as to

Jesus physical abode, or where has he made his home, or it could be seen as an enquiry reflecting a quest for God. Jesus answers, "Come and see" and the rest of the gospel of John is the living out of that invitation to come and see. This living out of the invitation to come and see will have some unexpected

results for the disciples who will experience

Jesus' healings, hear his teaching and

watch his interactions with others. In

the end, the disciples will not

understand the invitation to

come and see, which reaches

its high point at the

crucifixion, and they will run

away from Jesus in the

garden of Gethsemane.

We too are called to Come

and see. Do you notice that

one of the disciples who

followed Jesus remains

nameless? Andrew was one, who

was the other? John meant the nameless

disciple to represent you and me, because we too are

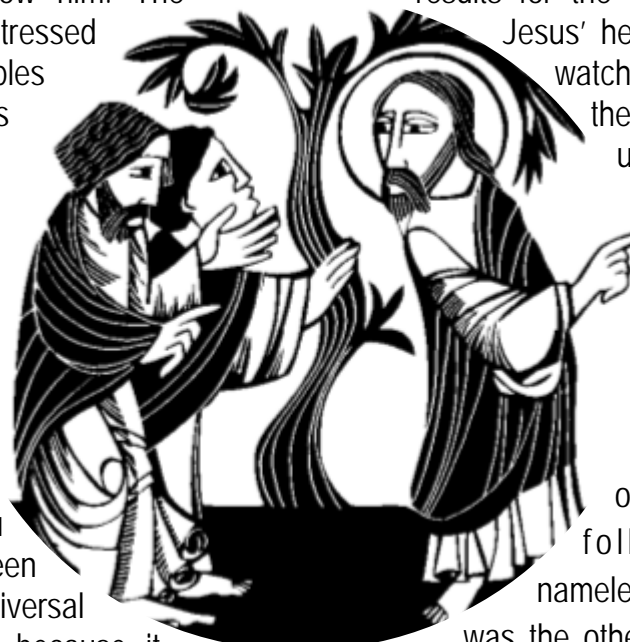
called to follow Jesus and he asks us too the same

question...What do you want? As we journey with him,

let us realise that to be a disciple is to go on a journey

with Jesus, a journey which will culminate ultimately in

abiding with God. So, what do you want? Then, Come and See....



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

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Mary English, Clonroad. **1st Anniv**
Do this In Memory

Sun : 9.30am: Kevin Keane, Connolly Villas.

Mary Brogan, Collee Green.

Tom Kelly, Collee Road.

P.J., Lily & Sr. Maeve Brooks, Collee Park.

Tony Shannon, Clancy Park.

Louis Galvin, Honeywell.

Delia Armstrong, Cahercalla.

Haulie & Martin Reidy, Golf Links Road.

Marion Ball O'Neill, Hermitage.

11.30am: Nellie Wyld, Clonroad. **MM**

Peter Keane, Kilrush Road. **MM**

Mass of Remembrance, Carmody Hotel Tragedy.

Mon: 7.45am: Deceased Griffin Family, Feakle.

10am: Sean Foudy, Kilrush Road.

7.30pm: James Sheedy, Greendale.

Tues:7.45am Book of Intentions.

10am: Hannah Ahern, Limerick.

7.30pm: Christina Griffin, Parnell Street.

Wed:7.45am: Patrick McMahon, Carmody Street.

10am: Gillian Brennan, Considine Road.

7.30pm: Brid Vaughan, Collee Road.

Thurs:7.45am: John & Anne McNamara, Corofin.

10am: Mary Bolger, Turnpike Road.

7.30pm: Colm Slattery, Moyriesk & Golf Links Rd.

Fri:7.45am Mass for the People.

10am: Brian Sheehan, Bristol.

7.30pm: Cathy Chin, Hermitage & London. **MM**

Sat:10am: Cyril Courtney, Sandfield Center. **1st Anniv**

Michael Molloy, St. Enda's, Beechpark.

6.30pm: Karen Cosgrove, Golf Links Road. **MM**

Frances Ball, Connolly Villas.

Eileen O'Neill, Loughville.

Sun : 9.30am: John & Bridget McCormack, Kilfenora.

Tony & Nora Sharkey, Cahercalla Estate.

Catherine Cotter, Collee View, Clonroadmore.

Michael & Helen Coffey, Hermitage.

Kathleen Sorce, Barefield.

Geraldine Kenny, Crorfin.

Imelda & Brendan Ryan, Hermitage.

11.30am: Patricia Hayes, McNamara Pk. **MM**

Fr. Johnny Meehan, Summerhill.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 21st January, 2018

Readers: Group 2

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 8am: John & Mary Hunt & Eddie Byrne, Dublin.

11am: Bridget Cross Kinnane, Ennistymon.

Kathleen Kierce, Cloughleigh.

Mon 9.30am: Special Intention.

Mary Foley, Cusack View.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Fri 7.30pm: Maureen Lavery, John Paul Ave.

Sun 11am: Fergal Landy, Considine Road.

Hospital & Sick Calls

14th January, 2018

Priest on Duty:

Duty Phone: 065 6869098

Newly Baptised



*We welcome into the
Christian Community
through the Sacrament
of Baptism:*

Luke Gerard Christopher Kelly;

Davin Ryszard Forde;

Monthly Mass for the Ennis

Padre Pio prayer group; Ennis

Friary; 18th January; 7.30pm.

All are welcome.

Maranatha Prayer Ministry

Healing Retreat Sunday, 21st

January; Bishop Brendan Leahy

of Limerick and Jomon (Voice of

Peace); St. Paul's Church,

Dooradoyle, Limerick. Tea after

in hall. All welcome.

Irish Cancer Society

Mass Celebrated by

Bishop Fintan Monahan,

Sunday 21st January

Cathedral, Ennis

3pm

Refreshment served afterwards.

All Welcome

St. Vincent de Paul

is recruiting new members. If

interested, please come along to

an open information evening at

7.30pm on Wednesday 17

January 2018 at 7.30pm in the

Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis.

Clare Haven Services would like

to thank the people of Ennis for

their generosity at our recent

Church Gate Collection. The

amount collected was **€2836.67.**

Many Thanks to all.

Parish Bingo

Great prizes;

Jackpot: €1,500;

In Community Centre

Sunday from 8pm.

Community Centre,

Chapel Lane

Ennis Parish

Development Fund for

Sunday 7th January,

€5,102.00



St. Joseph's

Mass intentions for scheduled Masses in St. Joseph's Church should be booked through the Parish Office. For all other events call Fr John 0656822166.

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Vicki Keane, Corrovorrin Drive.

Sun 10am: Anthony Dormer, Ros an Oir.

11.45am: Peg & Michael Roche, Kincora Pk.

Michael Vaughan, O'Callaghan's Mills.

Mon 11am: P.J. & Ella Garvey, Corrovorrin.

Tues 11am: Patrick McGonnigal, Sligo.

Wed 11am Margaret, James & Ml Meehan, Woodlawn.

Thu 11am: Johnny Joyce, St. Enda's, Beechpark.

Fri 11am: Margaret Holmes, Oak Park.

Sat 11am: Barry & Frankie O'Connor, Pearse Ave.

7pm: Brid Madigan, Ivy Hill.

Ann O'Connor, Corrovorrin Grove.

Sun 10am: Margaret Waters, Tullycrine.

11.45am: Dymna O'Connell, Oakleigh Wood. **1st Anniv**

Rest in Peace

Nuala Murphy, Tulla, mother of Geraldine O'Connor,

Abbey Court & sister of Maura O'Brian, Shannon

Park; **P.J. Malone**, Beechpark; **Catherine Murphy**,

Westmeath, sister of Michael Byrne, Ballyalla;

Michael Guthrie, England brother of Kathleen Cahir,

St. Michael's Villas; **Noel Garry**, Sandfield Park;

Margaret Nolan, Wexford, sister of the late Pat

O'Sullivan, Abbey Court; **Pat Frawley**, England &

Hermitage, sister of Eileen Rush & brother of John &

Martin; **Helen McEnery**, Shannon, daughter in law of

Martha & Tony McEnery, Dalcassian Park;



Those we love don't go away,

they walk beside us every day.

Unseen, unheard, but always near;

still loved, still missed and very dear.

Scoil Chríost Rí Cloughleigh is holding a clothes'

collection fundraiser. If you are doing a clear out of

old clothes after Christmas, unwanted clothes will be

recycled to raise much needed funds to finish off our

new school. These clothes (including shoes) are then

sent to countries in the developing world. Bags can

be left in the hall adjoining Cloughleigh Church after

Sunday Mass, after weekly masses or any school day

until *Sunday Feb 4th*. Info: 0656820105. Thank you.

Today We Celebrate

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

This year's theme: "Welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating migrants and refugees".

'Migrants trust that they will encounter acceptance, solidarity, and help, that they will meet people who will sympathise with the distress and tragedy experienced by others, recognise the values and resources the latter have to offer, and are open to sharing humanly and materially with the needy and disadvantaged.'

(Pope Francis)



**Primary School Enrolment
For the
School Year 2018 – 2019**

**Ennis Parish Schools Agreed
Application System**

Parents/Guardians wishing to enrol their children into Junior Infant Classes (2nd Class in The Holy Family Senior School) are advised that application forms are available from each school.

The Closing Date for Receipt of Completed Application Forms is **Thursday, February 1st 2018 at 3pm.**

The agreed system operates for the following Ennis Parish Schools

Ennis National School

Holy Family Junior School

Holy Family Senior School

Scoil Chríost Rí

CBS Primary School

Gaelscoil Mhíchíl Cíosóg

Completed Application Forms are to be returned to the school.

Ranganna Gaelge sa Tulach: Irish language classes resume in Cnoc na Gaoithe, Tulla; Monday 15 January ; 4.30pm for 4th, 5th, and 6th class primary school students. Irish for junior and senior cycle secondary school students at 7.15. Monday 15 January. Ciorcal Comhrá 8pm - 9pm on Thursdays. Fáilte roimh chách. Enquiries 087/8350996.nó 087/2441387 An Ghaeilge Abú.

Irish classes resume in Cois na hAbhna Monday 15th January. Lessons run for 10 weeks and the full series of lessons costs €80. Lessons run from 7-8pm and are ideal for beginners and improvers. For further information contact: 065-6864474/ anclarasgaelige@gmail.com

Award-winning play by Clarecastle playwright John O Donovan, Glór, Ennis; Tues 6th & Wed 7th Feb 8pm. The play: "If we got some more cocaine I could show you how I love you". Tickets: €18; 065 6843103 or www.glor.ie

Volunteer with the new ASD Youth Club in Clare. Clare Youth Service and Clare Children's Services are looking to develop a youth club for teenagers that attend mainstream secondary school in Clare who also have a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD). An information evening will be held in Clare Youth Service, Carmody Street, Ennis; Tuesday 16th January; 8.45-9.30pm. Contact Brian McManus, Clare Youth Service, Carmody St; 086 6090051 / 065 6845350. bmcmanus@clareyouthservice.org

Weight Watchers are launching their new Flex Programme at Maria Assumpta Hall, Ennis — Mondays & Wednesdays am & pm. For information contact Kathleen 087 634 8299.

Dolphins Baseball Club now recruiting players for our Little League Team ages 9-12yrs; training will take place in Kilrush & Ennis. We are also looking for volunteers to help with coaching etc, Full training provided. For more info please contact Ger @ 086 6012966 or check out our Facebook page West Clare Dolphins.

PILATES classes commencing at Clarecastle N.S. from Thursday 18th January @7.15pm. 6 week course €55. Please contact Eilish for enquiries or to register on 087-7416724.

Clare Type 2 Diabetes Support meeting Tuesday, January 16th; The Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis; 8pm. Info: Grainne 087 641 5747 or email clarebranchdfi@gmail.com.

"Teacht on Earraigh - Voices of Spring" Fundraising Concert: Dean Power (Tenor), Helen Houlihan (Soprano), Lon Dubh (Youth Choir) and Forever Young (Senior Choir). MC Pat Costello. Temple Gate Hotel, Friday January 15th, 7-9.30pm. All proceeds to Carrigoran House Dementia Services. Tickets: Temple Gate, Carrigoran House, Spar Newmarket-On-Fergus, Ward's Shop Clarecastle. Enquiries 061 368100

Services for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People: next clinic **Wednesday 17th January**, from 10am - 1pm; Parish Centre, Cathedral Grounds, Station Road, Ennis. Information contact resource office: DeafHear.ie Mid-West, Pery St, Limerick. Tel: 061 467494. Email: limerick@deafhear.ie Web: www.deafhear.ie

Back to Education Initiative (BTEI), Further Education & Training Centre Clonroad Campus, Clonroad Business Park, Clonroad, Ennis: The BTEI are proposing to deliver a Level 3 Horticulture Programme which is scheduled to begin on January 23rd and Finish on June 12th, with a one week break for Easter. It will be timetabled from 9:30 – 12:30 and be held both in Clonroad and at the tunnel in Gordon Drive. **For further details contact Martina Crowley-Hayes - martina.crowleyhayes@lcteb.ie**

Dementia Workshop for Families/Caregivers: Partners in Homecare are holding a workshop on Dementia at the Templegate Hotel, Ennis on Tuesday 16th January 2018 at 7.00pm. Caring for a loved-one or someone living with dementia can be rewarding but it can also be very challenging and stressful. Please join us if you would like to learn about understanding dementia, how it affects behaviour and how to care for those living with Dementia. For further information call: 065 6895281 or Kaye on 0877888300.

Sr. Eileen's Céinne

Aontacht Chríostaí

Leagann na hEaglaisí Chríostaí ar fud an domhain amach seachtain ar leith ó 18 -25 Eanáir chun guí ar son Aontachta Chríostaí. Is é téama na seachtaine 2018 ná, "Is glórmhar cumhacht í do dheaslámh, A Thiarna". (Exodus 15:6) Tá sé de dhualgas orainn go léir guí ar son aontacht na bpobal Chríostaí chun misean Dé a chomhlíonadh. Mar sin guimís, mar a dúirt Críost an oíche roimh a bháis, "Ionas go mba aon iad go léir, faoi mar atá tusa, a Athair, ionamsa agus mise ionatsa, go mbeidís seo ina n-aon ionainn i dtreo go gcreidfidh an saol gur chuir tú uait mé" (Eoin17:21) Is paidir ar son Aontachta Chríostaí í seo:

*A Athair an ghrá,
a ghlaigh sinn chun comhbhráithreachais le do mhac,*

agus a cheap sinn le bheith inár bhfinnéithe don soiscéal.

*Trí ghrásta do Spioraid,
cuir ar ár gcumas na deighiltí a shárú,
agus féach chuige go bhfanfaimid daingean,
agus go mbeidh ár gcuid áthais iomlán.*

*Guimíd leis seo trinár dTiarna Íosa Críost,
Aiméan.*

The week of prayer for Christian Unity is kept throughout the world each year from 18- 25 January. The theme for 2018 is "Your right hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power" (Exodus 15:6).

We are obliged to pray for unity among Christians so that the mission of Christ will be fulfilled. Let us pray as Jesus asked us on the night before He died, "May they all be one. Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me, and I am in you so the world may believe it was you who sent me" (John 17:21). The following is a prayer for Church Unity:

*Father of love you have called us to
confraternity with your Son and to be
witnesses to the gospel.*

*Through the grace of the Holy Spirit enable us
to overcome divisions and remain steadfast
that our joy may be complete.*

*We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord.
Amen.*

'Pemba Support' (PSI) AGM: Pemba people are looking for generous people, like you, to kick-start their self-esteem, to help them realize their abilities and to mentor their development as they face their uphill problems of 2018. PSI will hold its AGM in West County Hotel; **Friday 19th Jan; 7pm.** You can make a difference to life in Pemba, Tanzania. PSI will also be selling off the furniture contents of 'Sancta Lucas' in the Liscannor Road, Lahinch on Sat 27th Jan; 10am to 12.00 as a kindly donated fundraiser.

First Saturday Healing Day – Emmanuel House of Providence; 3rd February; Contact Stephen Leahy: 086 1943960.

Evening Course in Practical Philosophy Tue. January 16th Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Rd. Registration - 7.15pm. Queries: 087 923 6367.

Sage is a Support and Advocacy organisation that provides a free confidential nationwide service for vulnerable adults. It helps people understand the impact of their decisions and the vulnerable person is at the centre of the decision-making process. Enquiries: 01-5367330 or 1850 71 94 00. Email. info@sageadvocacy.ie or 1850@sageadvocacy.ie

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you,
shall sing to your name,
O Most High!

PENITENTIAL RITE

P. Have mercy on us, O Lord
C. For we have sinned against you.
P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
C. And grant us your salvation.
P. May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins, and bring us to
everlasting life.
C. Amen.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace to people of good will. We praise you,
we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord
God, heavenly King, God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the
Father.
Amen.

A reading from the first book of Samuel

1 Sam 3:3-10:19

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down, and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening"'. So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord,

your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

*Response: Here I am, Lord!
I come to do your will.*

I waited, I waited for the Lord
and he stooped down to me;
He heard my cry.
He put a new song into my mouth,
praise of our God. *R*

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings,
but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim.
Instead, here am I. *R*

In the scroll of the book it stands written
that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law
In the depth of my heart. *R*

Your justice I have proclaimed
In the great assembly,
My lips I have not sealed;
you know it, O Lord. *R*

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

1 Cor 6: 13 - 15. 17-20

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body. Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
You have the message of eternal life.
Alleluia!*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jn 1:35-42

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and

said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi' - which means Teacher - 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' - which means the Christ - and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' - meaning Rock.

The Gospel of the Lord

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Communion Antiphon

You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that
quenches my thirst.