



Ennis Parish News

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

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: 7.40am; 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.

Phone Numbers:

Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: info@ennisparish.com

St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715; Friary: 6828751

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

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The Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph (Year C) 30th December, 2018

Each one of us would have a memory of being 'lost' at some time by our parents: being left behind in the church after Mass, forgotten to be picked up after sports training, wandering off in a shopping centre.

So we welcome today's Gospel reading with warmth and a certain humour knowing the Holy Family is as human as my family.

These Gospel insights have a way of deeply drawing us into the life of Jesus, and today, we are left wondering what family life for Jesus was like? What shaped the Jesus we know? He lived under the authority of Mary and Joseph, and we wonder what culture within his family life enabled him to grow in 'wisdom, stature and favour'.

The values by which a family lives, values of what is expected and accepted, can have a profound impact on each person.

We all have a place of belonging in the Holy Family. So spend some time today in the company of the Holy Family and reflect on the values through which you contribute to your family.



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: Michael Meehan, Kilimer, Kilrush

Sun: 9.30am: Mass for the People.

11.30am Una Ryan, Brookville.

Frank Roughan, Ballyneillan, Fountain.

Mon: 12 noon: Bridie Connellan Cahercalla Wood.

Teresa & Joseph Kerin, Clonroadmore.

7.30pm: Sr. Stephanie Conway, Holy Family School.

Tues: 12noon: Ann Ryan, Childers Rd.

Mary & Dan O Keffe "Prague" Ardlea Rd.

7.30pm: Book of Intentions.

Wed: 12noon: Thomas McMahon, Carmody Street.

7.30pm: Fionnuala Fitzpatrick.

Deceased Blake & Fitzpatrick families.

Donal O'Mullane, Sycamore, Station Road. **MM**

Thurs: 12noon: Thomas, Catherine & Slattery family

Clonroadmore.

7.30pm: Ann & Michael **1st Anniv** Tierney, Kilrush Rd.

Fri: 12 noon: Nora Daly, College View, Clonroadmore.

Hannah Ahearne, Limerick.

7.30pm: Joseph Connery, Dalcassian Park.

Sat: 10am: Pat McInerney, Cork. **1st Anniv**

David Barrett, Willow Park.

Haulie & Martin Reidy, Golf Links Rd.

Martin Slattery, Kevin Barry Ave.

6.30pm: Michael McMahon, Gallows Hill.

Sun: 9.30am: Decd Kerin family, Clonroadmore.

Bridie Rynne, Castlewood Pk.

Flan & Mary Hynes, St. Michael's Villas.

Kitty Casey, O'Connell Square.

Patrick Feeney, St. Michael's Villas.

11.30am: P.J. Malone, Beechpark. **1st Anniv**

Noel Garry, Sandfield Pk. **1st Anniv**

Louis Galvin, Honeywell.

Peggy & Jim Casey, Shanaway Rd.

Liam & Eoin Madigan, St. Michael's Villas.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 6th January, 2019

Readers: Group 4

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 3



Hospital & Sick Calls

30th December, 2018

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Dariusz Plasek

Duty Phone: 065 6869098

Parish Office

Reopens Wednesday

2nd January 9.30am

Newly Baptised



*We welcome into the
Christian Community
through the Sacrament
of Baptism: John Ryan,
Matilda Ryan, Jonatan Avotins*

1st Saturday

devotions in honour
of Our Lady of
Fatima, in Cathedral
next Sat. Adoration of
the Most Blessed Sacrament
with Confessions, Rosary and
Benediction, after 10am Mass.



Priest's Collection

The Bishop and Priests of
the parish thank all who
contributed to the Christmas
Collection for the Priests of
the parish. If you were away
or forgot, your contribution
would still be valued.

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: Eric McNevin, Corrovorin & Limerick.

Sun 10am: Winifred Leydon, Sligo.

11.45am: Maureen & Paddy Shanahan, St Senan's Rd.

Mon 11am: MI, Imelda & Johnny Hayes. Rockmount.
Tess O'Brien.

Tues 11am: Maura Hegarty, Elm Park.

Wed 11am: Johnny O Loughlin, Old Gort Rd.

Thu 11am: Anna Reidy, Corofin & St. Joseph's **MM**
Martina O'Dea;

Teresa, John Wilson & Patrick Linnane Labasheeda.

Fri 11am: P.J. & Kath Foudy, Ivy Hill.

7pm: Mary & Paddy Darcy, Arbutus Hse., Lifford.

Sat 11am: Maura Beakey, Cahercalla Est. **MM**

Dan, Peggy, Margaret & Sean Mullin Ennistymon.

Sun 10am: Eamon Sheehy, Pine Grove.

11.45am: Toss O'Sullivan, New Rd.

Please Note Mass Times

Monday, 31st Dec to Friday 4th January

8.30am: Poor Clare's

9.30am: Cloughleigh

11am: St. Joseph's

12noon: Cathedral & Friary

7.30pm: Cathedral

Normal Mass times resume Monday 7th January

First Friday of January: This Friday 4th January sick and housebound parishioners will receive the Sacraments at home. If you know of any housebound parishioners who would like to receive the Sacraments please contact the parish office.

Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) Sunday 6th January; 5.30pm; St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 11am: Juliet & TJ O'Connor, Woodlawn.

Mon 9.30am: Dermot O'Halloran, Limerick Rd.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Sat 12noon: Jerry O'Callaghan, Willow Pk.

Sun 11am: Mai Molloy, Ennis & Dublin.



Rest in Peace

Paddy Daly, Cloughleigh & Bristol; **Christy Burke**, Kells, Corofin & Greendale, Clonroad; **Bernadette (Benny) Duffy nee Connolly**, Kincora Pk; **Peter Francis (Francie) Sheridan**, Lifford Rd; **Annie O'Brien**, Ash Unit, St. Joseph's Hospital and Dysart; **Rose Moroney**, Woodgrove, Cloughleigh & formerly Donegal; **Frank Hogan**, St. Flannans Terrace;

*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.*

A Word of Thanks

As we come to the end of 2018 we have much to thank God for in our Parish. We are blessed by all those who work tirelessly in a voluntary capacity in all our churches and in the parish. We are also blessed by the numbers of people who come to our churches each day to pray.

To the Franciscan Friars, Poor Clare Sisters, Sisters of Mercy and the Christian Brothers who have been part of our parish for generations, thank you for your presence and witness among us. To all involved in education and in handing on the faith we owe a great debt of gratitude.

So much has happened in our local church this year with the establishment of Pastoral areas and the appointment of priests to new positions. Look at the hand of God in all that is happening, look at God's hand leading us into God's own future.

To the many people, staff and volunteers of this great parish your presence and contribution are valued and appreciated and my Prayers for you all is that in 2019 may God arise with you each morning, may God welcome you on your arrival and may God be with you each day.

Mile Buíochas,

Tom Ryan P.P. V.F.

Ennis Parish Development Fund

Income and Expenditure Statement for the Year Ended 31 December 2017

	2017	2016
	€	€
Income	497,056	484,127
Tax Refunds	38,333	33,624
Total Income	535,388	517,752
Wages and Salaries	146,954	132,911
Contributions to Diocesan Collections	87,798	76,478
Pastoral Care	25,910	39,838
Maintenance Parish Churches & Buildings	60,165	57,140
Contributions to House Account	15,000	20,000
Friary Heating Fund	10,000	10,000
Shrine Candles	27,125	29,124
Church/Liturgical Requisites	16,642	9,687
Meetings, Functions & Courses	11,109	12,094
I.T, Equipment & Office Supplies	34,882	35,511
Light & Heat	38,972	26,783
Insurance	19,810	19,810
Bank Charges	2,867	2,823
Other Expenditure	23,869	30,093
Total Expenditure	521,103	502,293
Excess of Income over Expenditure	14,286	15,459

Financial Report 2017

This weekend as the year comes to a close we publish our annual financial report for 2017.

It is an opportunity to say thanks to the very many loyal and faithful parishioners who week after week financially support the parish. Our main source of income comes from the weekly offertory collection and the tax rebate scheme.

Our thanks to all who contribute, to parishioners who distribute envelopes, those who collect the baskets, our counters and our finance committee.

The financial statement does not reflect the amount of voluntary time parishioners give in making our parish a vibrant and welcoming place for all.



Divine Mercy Chaplet
We will continue to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet as a prayer group on this **Tuesday 8pm; chapter room**. All are welcome to come and pray and we hope to keep up the wonderful attendance and new friendships formed so far. There will also be a short LECTIO DIVINA after the chaplet. All welcome.
Divine Mercy on Tuesday 1st January

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 30th December, €5,053.22

A new praesidium of the Legion of Mary has been formed. Meetings are held in the Parish Centre every Wednesday evening at 7pm. New members or those wishing to return to the Legion will be most welcome. Call 086 8164408 or 087 7803459

Charity Bridge Night in aid of Down Syndrome Ireland Clare Branch at Ennis Bridge Club on Friday 4th January 7.30pm.

All Ireland Rosary Rally for Faith & Life, 1st January 2019. Feast of the Mother of God @ 12 noon at Dáil Éireann, Merrion Square, Dublin Contact Ann 087 7803459

A pair of expensive Ladies Varifocal Glasses [Purple] were lost in the area of the Tesco/Dunnes last Friday week, either in the shop or out in the Car Park. If found, would you please contact Betty @0872373769 asap.

Killaloe Diocese Lourdes Pilgrimage 2019

The 63rd Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from the Diocese of Killaloe under the leadership of Bishop Fintan Monahan will leave Shannon Airport on Tuesday 25th June returning Sunday 30th June. €725pps full board with €20 discount for online booking. Special section for assisted pilgrims with details from Fr Tom Ryan, Cathedral Ennis 087-2349816. All other bookings to joewalstours.ie

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An Teaghlach Naofa, Íosa, Muire agus Íosaf. Inniu tá an Eaglais ag ceiliúradh an Teaghlach Naofa Íosa, Muire agus Íosaf. Ag tráth na Nollag bímid go léir dírithe níos mó ar ár dteaghlach idir teacht agus imeacht agus cártaí agus bronntanais a roinnt. Chuir an Teaghlach i Nasaireit a muinín i nDia agus lean siad a thoil agus chuir siad i gcríoch é ina iomláine. Tugann an Fhéile seo deis dúinn smaoineamh ar Theaghlach Nasaireit agus ar ár dteaghlach féin. Más gá déanaimid iarracht bhreise, go háirithe inár dtinteán féin cairdeas agus síocháin a chothú agus a bhunú.

Is mó teachtaireacht a bhí ag an bPápa Proinsias don domhan uile maidir le grá Dé agus grá sa teaghlach ag Cruinniú Domhanda na dTeaghlach mí Lúnasa seo caite. Is é seo ceann díobh: "Nach i bhfad níos fearr a bheadh ár saol teaghlach dá n-úsáidimis na focail 'le do thoil, buíochas leat agus tá cathú orm..' *A Íosa, déan teaghlach na hEaglaise a dhaingniú i do ghrásta agus i do shíocháin. Áiméan.*

Is é seo an Cúinne deireanach do 2018. Gúim beannachtaí ó Dhia ar chách a léann é seachtain i ndiaidh seachtaine. Go mbeirimid beo ag an am seo arís, gan bhuaire, gan bhrón, gan duairceas croí.

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph. At this time of the year we are more aware of family life visiting each other and exchanging cards and gifts. The Holy Family of Nazareth put their trust in God and fulfilled His will. This feast provides us with an opportunity to reflect on the Holy Family of Nazareth and on our own Christian families and if necessary to endeavour to promote friendship and peace in our own homes.

Pope Francis delivered many messages to the world regarding God's love and love in the family during the World Meeting of Families last August. He said "How much better our family life would be if we used the words 'please, thank you and I am sorry'. *Jesus, strengthen families of the Church with your grace and peace.*

Amen

This is the last Cúinne of 2018. I wish all who read it each Sunday God's blessings. May we live to see this time next year, free from vexation, sorrow and heart ache.



New Year's Eve

Pray out the Old Year

Pray in

The New Year

Cathedral

31st December @

11.30pm

To

12.15am

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

The shepherds went in haste,
and found Mary and Joseph
and the Infant lying in a manger.

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 Sm 1:20-22.24-28

Hannah conceived and gave birth to a son, and
called him Samuel, 'since' she said, 'I asked the
Lord for him.'

When a year had gone by, the husband Elkanah
went up again with all his family to offer the
annual sacrifice to the Lord and to fulfil his vow.
Hannah, however, did not go up, having said to
her husband, 'Not before the child is weaned.
Then I will bring him and present him before the
Lord and he shall stay there for ever.'

When she had weaned him, she took him up
with her together with a three-year-old bull, an
ephah of flour and a skin of wine, and she
brought him to the temple of the Lord at Shiloh;
and the child was with them. They slaughtered
the bull, and the child's mother came to Eli. She
said, 'If you please, my lord. As you live, my
lord, I am the woman who stood here beside
you, praying to the Lord. This is the child I
prayed for, and the Lord granted me what I
asked him. Now I make him over to the Lord for
the whole of his life. He is made over to the
Lord.' There she left him, for the Lord.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

*Response: They are happy who dwell in
your house, O Lord.*

How lovely is Your dwelling place,
Lord, God of hosts.

My soul is longing and yearning,
Is yearning for the courts of the Lord.
My heart and my soul ring out their joy
To God, the living God. **R**

They are happy, who dwell in Your house,
For ever singing Your praise.
They are happy, whose strength is in You;
They walk with ever growing strength. **R**

O Lord, God of hosts, hear my prayer,
Give ear, O God of Jacob.
Turn your eyes, O God, our shield,
Look on the face of your anointed. **R**

A reading from the first letter of St. John. 1 Jn 3:1-2.21-24

Think of the love that the Father has lavished
on us, by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of
God but what we are to be in the future
has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that
when it is revealed we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

My dear people, if we cannot be condemned
by our own conscience, we need not be afraid
in God's presence, and whatever we ask him
we shall receive, because we keep his
commandments and live the kind of life that he
wants. His commandments are these:
that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus
Christ and that we love one another
as he told us to do.

Whoever keeps his commandments
lives in God and God lives in him.

We know that he lives in us
by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Open our heart, O Lord,
To accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Lk 2:41-52

Every year the parents of Jesus used to go to
Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover. When
he was twelve years old, they went up for the
feast as usual. When they were on their way
home after the feast, the boy Jesus stayed
behind in Jerusalem without his parents

knowing it. They assumed he was with the
caravan, and it was only after a day's journey
that they went to look for him among their
relations and acquaintances. When they failed
to find him they went back to Jerusalem
looking for him everywhere.

Three days later, they found him in the
Temple, sitting among the doctors, listening to
them, and asking them questions; and all
those who heard him were astounded at his
intelligence and his replies. They were
overcome when they saw him, and his mother
said to him, 'My child, why have you done this
to us? See how worried your father and I have
been, looking for you.' 'Why were you looking
for me?' he replied. 'Did you not know that I
must be busy with my Father's affairs?' But
they did not understand what he meant.

He then went down with them and came to
Nazareth and lived under their authority. His
mother stored up all these things in her heart.
And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature,
and in favour with God and men

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

**Our God has appeared on the earth,
and lived among us.**