



# 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](mailto:info@ennisparish.com)

St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6797489; Friary: 6828751

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**Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 3rd March, 2019**

## PERCEPTION



**Something  
To Think About . .  
as we move into  
the third month of  
2019...**

In Washington, DC, at a Metro Station, on a cold January morning in 2007, this man with a violin played six Bach pieces for about 45 minutes. During that time approximately 2,000 people went through the station,

**After about 3 minutes:** A middle-aged man noticed that there was a musician playing. He slowed his pace and stopped for a few seconds, and then he hurried on to meet his schedule.

**About 4 minutes later:** The violinist received his first dollar. A woman threw money in the hat and without stopping continued to walk.

**At 6 minutes:** A young man leaned against the wall to listen to him, then looked at his watch and started to walk again.

**At 10 minutes:** A 3-year old boy stopped but his mother tugged him along hurriedly. He stopped to look at the violinist again, but the mother pushed hard and the child continued to walk, turning his head the whole time. This action was repeated by several other children, but every parent - without exception - forced their children to move on quickly.

**At 45 minutes:** The musician played continuously. Only 6 people stopped and listened for a short while. About 20 gave money but continued to walk at their normal pace. The man collected \$32.

**After 1 hour:** He finished playing and silence took over. No one noticed and no one applauded. There was no recognition at all.

No one knew this, but the violinist was **Joshua Bell** one of the greatest musicians in the world. He played one of the most intricate pieces ever written with a violin worth \$3.5 million dollars. Two days before Joshua Bell sold-out a theater in Boston where the seats averaged \$100 each to sit and listen to him play the same music.

This is a true story. Joshua Bell playing incognito in the D.C. Metro Station was organized by the Washington Post as part of a social experiment about perception, taste and people's priorities.

This experiment raised several questions:

\*In a common-place environment, at an inappropriate hour, do we perceive beauty?

\*If so, do we stop to appreciate it?

One possible conclusion reached from this experiment could be this: If we do not have a moment to stop and listen to one of the best musicians in the world playing some of the finest music ever written, with one of the most beautiful instruments ever made!!

**How many other things are we missing  
as we rush through life?**

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sat: 6.30pm:** John Sullivan, Gallows Hill.  
Mike Archer, The Park, Quin.  
Kitty Hogan Quinn, Alymers Cross. MM  
James & Mary Theresa Quinlivan, Lissycasey.

**Sun: 9.30am:** Mass for the People.  
**11.30am:** Frances Shannon, Connolly Villas. **1st Anniv**  
Pat, Rodger, Molly & Andrew Carey, Ennis.  
Simon O'Donnell, Kilrush Road.  
James Burke, Park Ave.  
Jimmy Rochford, Bodyke.  
Philip Smyth, Roscommon.  
Fr. Francis Meehan, Summerhill.  
Leovigilda Navarrete, Philippines.

**Mon: 7.40am:** Slattery Family, Knockadoon, Tulla.  
**10am:** Jordan & Sheehan family, Clare, Mayo & Kerry.  
Pakie & Winnifred Coote, Marian Ave.  
**7.30pm:** Brian McMahon, Cahera, Lissycasey.  
Tom & Ena Hogan, Ballymaley, Gort Rd.

**Tues: 7.40am** Book of Intentions.  
**10am:** McNamara family, Ard na Greine.  
**7.30pm:** Paddy Brennan, O'Connell St.  
Michael Gleeson, Gallows Hill.

**8pm: Ceremony of Light Ennis National School.**  
**Wed: 7.40am:** James & Maura Doohan, Lissycasey.  
**10am:** Galvin & Slattery families, Cahercalla.  
**7.30pm:** P.J. Cleary, Gallows Hill, Nora Fogarty Dublin.  
Sr. Lelia Cleary MMM, Drogheda.

**Thurs: 7.40am:** Tadhg, Eileen, Noreen, Kathleen  
& Sr. Patricia O'Shea, Ard na Greine.  
**10am:** Ellie Murrhly, Mullagh.  
**7.30pm:** Seán Dinan, St. Michael's Villas.  
**Fri: 7.40am** .Special Intention.  
**10am:** Special Intention.  
**7.30pm:** John O'Halloran, Oakwood Drive. **1st Anniv**  
Breda Mannion, Highfield Pk. **1st Anniv**

**Sat: 10am:** Tony & Rita Kenny, Hermitage.  
**11am: Confirmation Ennis National School.**  
**6.30pm:** Moira Coffey, Claireen.  
John O'Sullivan, Fountain. **1st Anniv**  
Jim O'Driscoll, Castleconnell & Elm Park.  
Helena Birla.  
Matt, Mary Hogan & Harry, Tobartaoscain.

**Sun: 9.30am:** Mass for the People  
**11.30am:** Margaret Hayes, Clonroad.  
George Culliney, Cloughleigh. MM

### Roster for Cathedral: Sunday 10th March, 2019

Readers: Group 1  
Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 5  
Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 3



## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Mon 9.30am:** Mary & Ptk Quigley, & Patrick Jnr, Kilfenora.  
**Tue 9.30am:** .Book of Intentions.  
**Fri 7pm:** Maura Hitchens nee Keane.  
**Sun 11am:** Anna Moroney, Cornmarket & USA.  
Derek Purcell, Hermitage. **1st Anniv**

Ennis Parish Development Fund for  
Sunday 24th February: €6,935.00

## Hospital & Sick Calls

3rd March, 2019

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Joy

Duty Phone: 065 6869098



### SFO Friary Notes

**Ash Wednesday morning at the Friary will include Mass, distribution of Blessed Ashes, followed by Stations of the Cross. Usual evening meeting at St. Anthony's Hall.**

### Newly Baptised



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

**Darragh John Kearse;**  
**Oran Michael Cussen;**  
**Holly Evangeline McGrath;**  
**Sadhbh Elizabeth Kelly;**

### Fáilte

We welcome visitors to our parish this weekend who are taking part in the Ennis Bookclub Festival and those participants in Féile na hInse.

### Education Fund Appeal

The second collection at all Masses this weekend is to help support the Education of students to the Priesthood. The students of today are our Priests of tomorrow. Thank you in anticipation of your generosity and please pray for Antun and Vincent, our students, who are currently discerning their vocations.

**Taizé Prayer:** All welcome  
Thursday 7th March;  
Church of Our Lady,  
Roslevan; 7.45pm – 8.30pm



**First Confessions Ennis National School is in the Cathedral Tuesday 5th March 6-7pm.**

**Cloughleigh Oratory**  
We will continue to pray the Novena Prayer to St. Anthony every Tuesday Morning at our 9:30am mass. All are welcome to come and seek the intercession of this powerful saint.

**We are recruiting Eucharistic Ministers.** If you are interested, please give your number to Fr. Ger via the Parish office on (065) 6824043.



## 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:** Bridget Rooney, London & Charlestown.  
**Sun 10am:** Joe Moroney, Corrovorin.  
**11.45am:** Mary Curtin, Willow Pk.  
Margaret Ziemann, Corrovorin Dr. MM  
**Mon 11am:** Mary & Patrick Lafferty.  
**Tues 11am:** Mary Hertney, Mountain View.  
**Wed 11am:** James & Brigid Murphy, Labasheda.  
**Thu 11am:** Michael & Mary Ensko, Marian Ave.  
**Sat 11am:** Mary Mc Govern, Corrovorin Grove.  
Matt O'Connor, New Road.  
**7pm:** Paddy Greene, Corrovorin Ave. **1st Anniv**  
**Sun 11.45:** Mary & Patrick O'Brien;  
Tina Connoles, Carron.

**Next Mass Latin Mass** will take place on Sunday 3rd March; 5.30pm; St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



### Baptismal Team

We are currently forming a new Baptismal Team and would welcome expressions of interest from parishioners who would like to help in this Ministry and would have one hour to spare in the month. Please contact Fr. Tom for more details.

### Ceremony of light for Ennis National Confirmation Students is on Tuesday 5th March after 7.30pm Mass in Cathedral.

At the Ceremony of Light Confirmation parents are invited to take the light from the Paschal candle & hand it on to their children as they once again light their Baptism candle. We thank all for supporting and encouraging the children to participate in the Parish programme over the past weeks. Their final night is Tue 5th March 7-8pm which will follow with the Ceremony of Light.



### Holy Family begins Faith Friends on Tuesday 19th March 7-8pm, Parish Centre.



### Rest in Peace

Fr Paddy Carmody, late Parish Priest of Cooraclare; Marion Sheill nee Casey, Friar's Close; Patricia (Patsy/Tricianne) Garrihy, late of Florida & St. Michael's Villas, Seán McDonald, Waterpark View; Patrick Hurson, Summerhill; Monica Sweeney, Shannon 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.*

# LENT 2019



Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 6th March  
Our Parish Lenten Theme this year is 'PURPOSE DRIVEN LENT'. Lent is a time when we can stop and look at our lives and our relationship with Jesus. It is a time when we are called to make sacrifices—to deny ourselves so that we can realise that we need God in every part of our lives. We would love if you joined us in the pilgrimage through Lent.

Our PRAYER / FASTING / ALMSGIVING (PFA) programme continues this Lent. If you want a real purpose Driven Lent, the Prayer / Fasting / Almsgiving Programme is made for you.

- Prayer—commit to a daily prayer.
- Fast—commit to eating three meals per day.
- Almsgiving—commit to donating to Trócaire.

Every day you will help yourself, help others and help your relationship with God. This programme involves making sacrifices but there is no doubt that the benefits we will receive at Easter will be immense.

**Be brave, embrace Lent.**

### Morning Prayer:

7.20am—Cathedral  
9.30am—Friary

### Stations of the Cross

After 10am Mass, Wed & Fri in the Friary.  
Before 10am Mass in the Cathedral each Friday.  
6pm each Friday in Polish, Cathedral.

Lenten Talks beginning on Sunday next at 11am in Cloughleigh with:

**Michéal Ó Muircheartaigh.**

**Late nights on Monday night:** For the six Monday's of Lent beginning on Monday 11th March the Cathedral will be open until 10pm. From 8pm-10pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Cathedral concluding with night prayer at 9.50pm. During these two hours a Priest will be available for Confessions, a chat and blessing.



Church Gate Collection Weekend of 10th and 11th of March in Aid of Cuan an Chláir providing Housing and Day Care Centre for Ennis and County Clare". Sincere thanks for your support.

This Wednesday 6th March is a day of fast and abstinence. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at the following Masses:



7.40am	Cathedral
7.45am	Poor Clare Monastery
8.00am	St. Josephs
9.30am	Cloughleigh
10.00am	Cathedral
10.00am	Friary
11.00am	St. Josephs
1.05pm	Friary
6.00pm	Polish Mass, Cathedral
7.00pm	St. Josephs
7.30pm	Cathedral

**Gaeilge**—During the month of March, we are embracing the Irish language in our liturgies. This week, we publish the Our father in Irish and the greeting.

"The Lord be with you"  
"Go raibh an Tiarna libh"

"And with your spirit"  
"Agus le do spiorad féin"

### An Phaidir (Our Father)

Ár nAthair atá ar neamh,  
go naofar d'ainm,  
go dtaga do ríocht,  
go ndéantar do thoil ar an talamh  
mar a dhéantar ar neamh.  
Ár n-arán laethúil tabhair dúinn inniu  
agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha  
mar amhaithimidne dár bhféichiúna féin  
agus ná lig sinn i gcathú,  
ach sar sinn ó olc.  
Amen.

### Youth Prayer Space

Young People from The Mid Clare Youth Council and Secondary Schools in the local area have designed and created a series of interactive prayer stations which will be officially opened with a Liturgy in the Cathedral at 8pm on Friday March 8th. The Youth Space will be located in the Mercy Chapel which is located to your right, when you enter the main door of the Cathedral. This space will be open for the Lenten period and young and old are invited to visit this fun, thought- provoking and reflective space.

Applications are now being accepted for the Reading Class (Dyslexia Class) at Holy Family Senior school (3rd & 4th class) and Ennis National School (5th & 6th class). These classes are for pupils diagnosed with severe dyslexia. Please contact the relevant school for entry criteria and application forms.

## Sr. Eileen's Céinne

Domhnach na Measarthachta

Tá an Domhnach seo tiomnaithe do Mheasarthach ag an Eaglais. Is suáilce í gur féidir linn a chleachtadh i ngach gné dár saol. Is eol dúinn go bhfuil fadhb an óil agus drugaí ag cur isteach go mór ar theaghlach. Is mór an brón agus briseadh croí a bhíonn le fulaingt dá bhri sin.

Beidh Céadaoin an Luaithe ar an 6 Márta. Is tús tréimhse an Charghais é, an daichead lá roimh an Cháisc. Iarrtar orainn cúl a thabhairt don pheaca agus grá a léiriú do Dhia agus do dhaoine eile. Cuireann an luaitheach ar ár n-éadan i gcuimhne dúinn mortlaíocht dhaonna. Tá an cleachtadh seo coitianta i measc, Anglacánaigh, Liútaráigh, Meitidistigh agus Preispitéirigh. Is féidir machnamh a dhéanamh ar an bpaidir seo a leanas ón Traidisiún:

**A losa, glan mo chroise**

*Go gléghlan gach lá,*

*A losa, cuir m'intinn faoi léirsmacht do ghrá.*

*Déan mo smaointe go fíorghlan agus briathra mo bhéil,*

*Is a Thiarna, 'Dhia dhilis, stiúir choíche mo shaol.*

### Féile na hInse

Ceiliúrtar Aifreann Fhéile na hInse inniu ag tabhairt molta agus glóire do Dhia as na tallanna go léir a bhronnann Sé ar aos óg ár linne. Tá an Coiste fíorghlaoch do na daltaí go léir a ghlacann páirt sna comórtais éagsúla. Molaimid go mór a dtuismitheoirí, a múinteoirí, ár moltóirí agus gach duine a thugann tacaíocht dúinn. Go maire an Ghaeilge slán.

This Sunday is dedicated to Temperance. It is a virtue which we ought to practise in our lives. We know that drink and drug abuse cause serious problems, pain and suffering for many families.

Ash Wednesday will be celebrated on Wednesday next 6 March. It is the beginning of the Lenten Season, forty days before Easter. We are invited to turn away from sin and love God and our neighbour. The ashes on our foreheads reminds us of our mortality. Ash Wednesday is observed by many Western Christians among them Anglicans, Lutherans, Methodists and Presbyterians. Let us reflect on the following prayer from Tradition:

*Jesus, cleanse my heart each day and make it spotless,*

*Jesus, rule my mind by the power of your love.*

*Make truly clean my thoughts and the words of my mouth, and, dear Lord God, direct my life now and forever.*

We celebrate, praise and thank God for the gifts and talents with which our young people are endowed at Féile na hInse Mass today. The Committee is very grateful to the students who compete. We appreciate the support of parents, teachers, adjudicators and all who assist. May the Irish language never be forgotten.

**Doora Pastoral Council invite you to a Table Quiz in aid of Hospice Jinja Saturday March 9th The Shibeen, Doora 8.30pm Great Night Guaranteed !!**

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 25th -30th June:** The pilgrimage would welcome the assistance of Nurses who would like to volunteer and care for assisted pilgrims on this year's Diocesan pilgrimage for five days in June. If any nurse is interested please contact Michael on 086-3813677

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

The Lord became my protector.  
He brought me out to a place of freedom;  
he saved me because he delighted in me.

## 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 book of  
Ecclesiasticus. Eccl 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,  
So too the defects of a man appear in his  
talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
The test of a man is in his conversation.  
The orchard where the tree grows is judged  
on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's  
words betray what he feels.  
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

*Response: It is good to give you thanks,  
O Lord.*

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most High,  
To proclaim your love in the morning and  
your truth in the watches of the night.

R

2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon Cedar.

R

3. Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

R

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

1 Cor15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on  
imperishability, and when this mortal nature  
has put on immortality, then the words of  
scripture will come true: Death is  
swallowed up in victory. Death, where is  
your victory? Death, where is your sting?  
Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets  
its power from the Law. So let us thank  
God for giving us the victory through our  
Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never  
admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's  
work always, knowing that, in the Lord,  
you cannot be laboring in vain.

The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Open our hearts, O Lord,  
to accept the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!*

A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Luke

Lk 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples. 'Can  
one blind man guide another? Surely both  
will fall in to a pit? The disciple is not  
superior to his teacher; the fully trained  
disciple will always be like his teacher. Why  
do you observe the splinter in your  
brother's eye and never notice the plank in  
your own? How can you say to your  
brother, "Brother, let me take out the  
splinter that is in your eye," when you  
cannot see the plank in your own.  
Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own

eyes first, and then you will see clearly  
enough to take out the splinter that is in  
your brother's eye.

There is no sound tree that produces  
rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that  
produces sound fruit. For every tree can  
be told by its own fruit, people do not pick  
figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from  
brambles. A good man draws what is  
good from the store of goodness in his  
heart; a bad man draws what is bad from  
the store of badness. For a man's words  
flow out of what fills his heart.'

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

I will sing to the Lord who has been  
bountiful with me,  
sing psalms to the name of the Lord  
Most High.