



# 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>

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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 24th February, 2019

## *Forgiveness and Love*

We are all human and we can all make mistakes and need forgiveness.

These mistakes lead to disagreement, resentment, sorrow, or a sense of betrayal. But forgiveness is human too. To forgive does not mean that you condone wrongdoing.

If someone has hurt or betrayed you it takes a bigger person to forgive and let go of any hatred or resentment. You cannot control how other people may hurt you but you can control how you deal with it.

Though it can feel very comforting or powerfully releasing to be forgiven, make no mistake, we do not forgive for the other person; we forgive for ourselves.

Forgiveness is for our own growth and happiness. When we hold on to hurt, pain, resentment, and anger it harms us far more than it harms the offender.

Forgiveness frees us to live in the present. Reliving the wrong that was done to us keeps us living in the past and missing today's beauty.

You may think of God as the final dispenser of forgiveness, but we too have the power to forgive. We may find it difficult at times to pray the Our Father: "And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us."

God stands ready and willing to forgive us, but asks that we extend the same forgiveness to others first. If we have resentment and bitterness in our hearts, it's time to give it over to God.

Let Him heal us and give us the ability to forgive. Only with the power of God and the Holy Spirit working in our lives can we love and forgive others.



*There is no love without forgiveness, and there is no forgiveness without love.*

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sat: 6.30pm:** Francis Lyons & Jacinta Flynn, Ennis.  
**Sun: 9.30am:** Frances & Joseph Moloney, O'Connell St.  
 Johnny & Seamus Purcell, Ard na Greine.  
**11.30am** Donal Ryan, Cusack Rd.  
 Frank Fitzpatrick, College Green. MM  
**Mon: 7.40am:** Jane Gallagher.  
 Eileen Dunne, Clare Rd.  
**10am:** Patrick Shannon, Cornmarket St.  
**7.30pm:** Tom Tuttle, Castletawn, Tulla Rd.  
**Tues: 7.40am** Book of Intentions.  
**10am:** T. & Theresa Kenny, Corofin.  
**7.30pm:** Maisie O'Loughlin, Golf Links Rd.  
**Wed: 7.40am:** Michael McMullin, Killarney.  
 Fr. Ludwig Lehmieir, Germany.  
**10am:** Patrick Kerin, Carron.  
 Sr. Margaret Mary Jordan, Lisdoonvarna.  
**7.30pm:** Tom Flynn, Golf Links Rd.  
**Thurs: 7.40am:** Holy Souls.  
**10am:** Brian Sheehan, Bristol.  
**7.30pm:** Frank Lillis, Beechpark.  
 Tommy McNamara, Clancy Park.  
 Michael Kelly, Beechpark.  
**Fri: 7.40am** Mass for the People.  
**10am:** Kathleen & Paddy Hannon, Considine Rd.  
**7.30pm:** Martin & Brid Moloney, Clare Rd.  
**Sat: 10am:** Mary Meaney, Greenpark.  
 Ann Barrett, Willow Park.  
 James & Mary McMahon, Summerhill.  
**6.30pm:** James & Mary Theresa Quinlivan, Lissycasey.  
 John Sullivan, Gallows Hill.  
 Mike Archer, The Park, Quin.  
 Kitty Hogan Quinn, Alymers Cross. MM  
**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.

### Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 3rd March, 2019

Readers: Group 6

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 4

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



**Education Fund:** The second collection at all Masses next weekend is our annual appeal to help educate our students currently studying for the Priesthood. Please keep our two students in your prayers and this second collection is to support their formation to ensure priests will be available to us in the coming years.  
*Thank you in anticipation.*

### 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.

### Hospital & Sick Calls

24th February, 2019

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Dariusz Plasek

Duty Phone: 065 6869098

**1st Friday of March:** Sick and housebound parishioners will receive Sacraments at home. If you know of any housebound parishioners who would like to receive the Sacraments, please contact the parish office.

**During the Month of March, we are embracing the Irish language in our Liturgies. Labhair Gaeilge Linn.**

### Faile na hInse

The 11.30am Mass on Sunday next 3rd March will be celebrated in Irish.

### LENT 2019

**Ash Wednesday** will be on 6th March this year. Trócaire boxes will shortly be available and during Lent this year Morning Prayer will be prayed in the Cathedral each weekday morning at 7.20am for 15 minutes before Mass.



Late opening of the Cathedral will take place on the Mondays of Lent until 10pm and from after the evening Mass until 10pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in the Cathedral. Concluding with Night Prayer at 9.50pm. During this time a priest will be available for confession, a chat or a blessing.

### Ennis Parish Development

Fund for Sunday 17th  
 February, €6,894.00



### Bingo

Great prizes;  
 Jackpot: €1,500;  
 Community Centre;  
 Sundays from 8pm.



## 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:

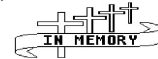
**Sat 7pm:** Tony Strand, Shannon Park.  
**Sun 10am:** Teresa Kelly, Fergus Park.  
**11.45am:** Anna Casey, Marian Ave.  
 Brendan Armstrong, Mountain View.  
**Mon 11am:** Gerry & Aggie O'Dwyer, Old Gort Rd.  
**Tues 11am:** Mary Meehan, Cappa, Kilrush.  
**Wed 11am:** Maureen Frawley, New Rd.  
**Thu 11am:** John, Winnie & Bridie Hayes, Coore.  
**Fri 11am:** John. Rita & John Jnr. Mulkerins, Marian Ave.  
**7pm** Peadar O'Keefe, Drumcliffe Rd.  
 Kathleen Reilly, Corrovorrin Crescent.  
**Sat 11am:** Brendan Sexton, Cavan & Quinn;  
 Anthony Woollan, Wales.  
 Michael Lillis, Cooraclare & Maureen Scanlan, Cavan.  
**7pm:** Bridget Rooney, London & Charlestown.  
**Sun 10am:** Joe Moroney, Corrovorrin.  
**11.45am:** Mary Curtin, Willow Park.

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



### Rest in Peace

**Bernadette Keane (nee Keane)**, Summerhill, Michael Duggan, Laureen, Lahinch Rd.; **Pauline O'Mahoney nee Waldron**, Westbourne Court; **Peter Considine**, Cooper's Place, Market St.; **Reginald Sturt**, Old Corrovorrin; **Claire O'Dea**, Shannon Park and formerly of Newtown, Carrigaholt; **Tommy Haugh**, Liscannor, brother of Maura Ball, Ennis



*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.*

## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 11am:** Garry Murphy, Considine Rd.  
 Edward & Mary Hayes, Hermitage.  
 Lucille Hayes, Pearse Ave & Bridge Court.  
**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.  
**7.00pm:** Ceremony of Light for Confirmation Students.  
**Fri 3pm:** Confirmation Scoil Christ Ri.

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

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

Next Friday, March 1st we shall have First Friday Eucharistic Adoration in Cloughleigh Oratory between 7:30-8pm lead by Bishop Fintan. Confession will also be available on the night.

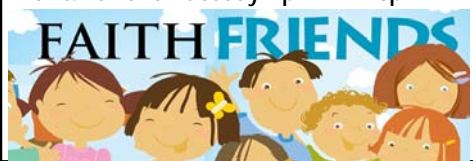
## Ennis Parish Faith Friends Confirmation Programme

Faith Friends- is a parish based faith journey with transition year students for confirmation students from Ennis National and Holy Family. A number of transition year students who volunteered, are trained to be a faith friend and they will work with the confirmation students over three nights in small groups in the parish centre.

It continues for Ennis National on **Tuesday February 26<sup>th</sup> 7-8pm in the Parish Centre and Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March.**

Thanks to the many parish volunteers who organize the programme and to Ennis National/Holy Family school parents and staff for enabling and encouraging the participation of their Confirmation students.

The Holy Family dates are-Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> 7-8pm.



St. Joseph's young Priests' Society after 7pm Mass in St. Joseph's Church on Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. All are welcome

If anyone would be interested in joining a social club in Cloughleigh Area, could you let Fr. Ger or Kieran Walsh know on (065) 6824043 or (087) 2870399. The vision for the club would be to build up community spirit by having fortnightly social gatherings, music nights, card playing, chat, cup of tea and hopefully in time to arrange small trips away.

Church Gate Collection in aid of Cahercalla Hospice Care in Ennis churches weekend of March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please support this worthy cause providing palliative care services to the people of County Clare.



**Wool Wanted!** Ennis National School lunchtime Craft Club now has 80 pupils taking part. We would really appreciate donations of wool and/or needles. If you have unwanted wool that you are willing to donate, please drop it in to the school or contact us on 6829158 and we will arrange to collect it. Email: info@ennisns.ie. Thank you!

The Clare Area 2019 Daffodil Day Launch Night is on Monday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 8pm in Tracey's West County Hotel. If you would like to volunteer on Daffodil Day (March 22<sup>nd</sup>) or sell merchandise in your local area or workplace, please come along. For all enquiries please contact Clare - 086 2267364 or Michael - 087 2045759.

Cloughleigh Comhaltas and Woodstock set dancers will host a Table Quiz in aid of the Clare Crusaders' Clinic at Woodstock Golf and Country Club (Bunker Bar) on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February at 8pm. Table of 4 €20. All support greatly appreciated.

Eucharist Ministers from all parishes in the Cluster/Pastoral area are invited to a gathering of reflection; **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March; 8pm; St. Flannan's College. All welcome.**

Laura Brennan

### Clare Person of the Year Award Night

Laura Brennan will be formally presented with her Clare Person of the Year 2019 award by The Clare Association - Muintir an Chláir on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March from 7.30pm at the Red Cow Moran Hotel Dublin. Ticket cost is €65 including 3 course dinner and live music entertainment from The Patrick Roche Band. Tickets available by contacting any committee member of The Clare Association or by emailing [info@clareassociationdublin.ie](mailto:info@clareassociationdublin.ie).

Arrive & Jive with Tom, 4 week beginner course at Maria Assumpta Hall starting Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 5.30-6.45pm, beginner waltz and quick step course. 7-8.15pm beginner jive course. No experience required. Call 087 3995877.

Active Age Agers (Over 50's) Walk will take place on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 @ 11am. Meeting Point: The Harbour, Mountshannon. A 7km looped walk with views over Mountshannon and Lough Derg. There is a moderate climb at the start of the walk but the rest is flat and downhill. Please wear suitable walking shoes, bring fluids. There will be an optional refreshment stop at Season's Restaurant on our return. For further details contact us on 065 683 5912/086 358 6293/ info@clarewalks.ie

Sunday, February 24<sup>th</sup>; Seisiún Cois Tine with guest musician Frank Custy; 6pm - 8.30pm; Admission €3 / Family €10

Gaelic4Girls - Banner Ladies' Football Club are hosting Gaelic4Girls; starts on March 6<sup>th</sup> from 6pm in St. Flannan's Hall for 8 weeks. Open to girls from 6 - 12 who are not registered with a Ladies' Gaelic Football team. It introduces girls to football in a fun environment. Participants get a G4G Jersey and certificate on completion. Information, [www.facebook.com/gaelic4girls.clare](http://www.facebook.com/gaelic4girls.clare) or contact Dorothy Meenaghan on 087 9543538

The Alzheimer Society of Ireland, Clare Branch, wish to thank all who supported in any way the very successful Sponsored Walk which took place in Fanore on Sunday last. Sincere thanks and well done to all.

Bluebird Care Clare are hosting an Open Day on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February from 1am to 4pm at the Bluebird Care Clare Office, 7 Market Place, Ennis. This is an opportunity for anyone to come along and talk to the team about a career in care. Contact: Bluebird Care Clare on 065-6868222 or Email [clare@bluebirdcare.ie](mailto:clare@bluebirdcare.ie) for more info.

Found: St. Christopher Medal in NCT centre Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February. Contact Parish Office.

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Mí an Mhárta

Fágfaimid slán le Mí Feabhra an Déardaoin seo chugainn cuirfimid fáilte roimh mhí an Mhárta, mí an fheirmeora, mí na sailcuaiche, mí na hathbheochana, mí na Féile Pádraig. I mí an Mhárta bí linn a Thiarna. Is iad intinní an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Go mothaí na pobail Chríostaí, go háirithe iad siúd atá faoi ghéarleanúint gar do Chríost agus go raibh meas ar a gcearta.

### Dul faoi Lámh Easpaig

Ag an am seo den bhliain bíonn an tEaspaig Fiontán an-ghnóthach mar tá daltaí bunscoile i Rang V1 cóineartaithe nó ag ullmhú le dul faoi lámh Easpaig. Is mór an ócáid é seo i saol an duine óig agus tá sé de dhualgas orainn cabhrú leo lenár bpaidreacha.

Leagann an tEaspaig a lámha ar na hiarrthóirí go léir mar chomhartha an Spiorad Naomh ag teacht chucu anuas orthu. Guíonn sé *'A Dhia uilechumhachtaigh, Athair ár dTiarna Íosa Críost, shaor tú do chlann anseo ón pheaca, le huisce agus leis an Spiorad Naomh, agus bhronn tú beatha nua orthu. Tabhair dóibh an Spiorad Naomh, a Thiarna, mar threoraí agus mar shólásaí. Tabhair dóibh spiorad na heagna agus na tuisceana, spiorad an bhreithiúnais agus an nirt, spiorad an eolais agus an ghrá, spiorad na hurraime duit féin. Sin é ár nguí chugat trí Chríost ár dTiarna.* Go bhfana na daltaí dílis do Chríost le linn a saol agus go dtaga bláth orthu ina gcreideamh go háirithe ina ndílseacht d'Aifreann an Domhnaigh agus do na sacraimintí. Áiméan

We say good bye to the month of February on Thursday and we greet the month of March, month of spring work for the farmer, month of the violets, of spring awakening, of the feast of Saint Patrick. Be with us Lord during the month of March. The Pope's intention for March is: That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected. At this time of the year Bishop Fintan is very busy as pupils in V1 class in primary schools receive the sacrament of Confirmation. This is a wonderful occasion for children and we ought to support them with our prayers.

The Bishop extends his hands over the candidates as a sign of the sending down of the Holy Spirit and then he prays *'All-powerful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, by water and the Holy Spirit you freed your sons and daughters from sin and gave them new life. Send your Holy Spirit upon them to be their Helper and Guide. Give them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgement and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence. Fill them with the spirit of wonder and awe in your presence. We ask this through Christ Our Lord.'* May they remain faithful to Christ during their lives and grow in faith and be faithful to attending Sunday Mass and the reception of the sacraments. Amen.

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love.  
My heart will rejoice in your salvation.  
I will sing to the Lord who has been  
bountiful with 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 first book of Samuel 1 Sam 26:2.7-9.12-13.22-23

Saul set off and went down to the wilderness  
of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men  
chosen from Israel to search for David in the  
wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their  
way towards the force, where they found Saul  
lying asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck  
in the ground beside his head, with Abner and  
the troops lying round him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has  
put your enemy in your power; so now let me  
pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just  
one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.'  
David answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for  
who can lift his hand against the Lord's  
anointed and be without guilt?' David took  
the spear and the pitcher of water from beside  
Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw,  
no one knew, no one woke up; they were all  
asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had  
fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on  
the top of the mountain a long way off; there  
was a wide space between them. David then

called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one  
of the soldiers come across and take it. The  
Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and  
loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power,  
but I would not raise my hand against the  
Lord's anointed.'

### The word of the Lord

#### Responsorial Psalm;

*Response: The Lord is compassion and  
love.*

*My soul, give thanks to the Lord,  
all my being, bless his holy name.  
My soul, give thanks to the Lord  
and never forget all his blessings. R.*

*It is he who forgives all your guilt,  
who heals every one of your ills,  
who redeems your life from the grave,  
who crowns you with love and compassion. R.*

*The Lord is compassion and love,  
slow to anger and rich in mercy.  
He does not treat us according to our sins  
nor repay us according to our faults. R.*

*As far as the east is from the west  
so far does he remove our sins.  
As a father has compassion on his sons  
the Lord has pity on those who fear him. R*

#### A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 15:45-49

The first man, Adam, as scripture says,  
became a living soul; but the last Adam has  
become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the  
one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that,  
the one with the spirit. The first man, being  
from the earth, is earthly by nature; the  
second man is from heaven. As this earthly  
man was, so are we on earth; and as the  
heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And  
we, who have been modelled on the earthly  
man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

### 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 6:27-38

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you  
who are listening: Love your enemies, do  
good to those who hate you, bless those who  
curse you, pray for those who treat you badly.  
To the man who slaps you on one cheek,  
present the other cheek too; to the man who  
takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your  
tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do  
not ask for your property back from the man  
who robs you. Treat others as you would like  
them to treat you. If you love those who love

you, what thanks can you expect? Even  
sinners love those who love them. And if  
you do good to those who do good to you,  
what thanks can you expect? For even  
sinners do that much. And if you lend to  
those from whom you hope to receive, what  
thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend  
to sinners to get back the same amount.  
Instead, love your enemies, and do good,  
and lend without any hope of return. You will  
have a great reward, and you will be sons of  
the Most High, for he himself is kind to the  
ungrateful and the wicked.

'Be compassionate as your Father is  
compassionate. Do not judge, and you will  
not be judged yourselves; do not condemn  
and you will not be condemned yourselves;  
grant pardon, and you will be pardoned.  
Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full  
measure pressed down, shaken together,  
and running over, will be poured into your  
lap; because the amount you measure out  
is the amount you will be given back.'

### 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 recount all your wonders,  
I will rejoice in you and be glad,  
and sing psalm to your name,  
O Most High.