

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: 6797489; Friary: 6828751

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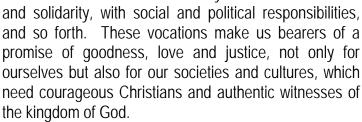
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Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year C) 12th May, 2019.

Vocations Sunday

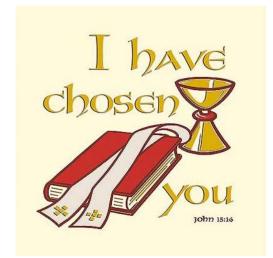
The courage to take a risk for God's promise

On this Vocations Sunday, we acknowledge the example given by millions of lay people through the various lay apostolates in the church. For a true Christian the choices that set the direction of our personal journey, also contribute to the growth of God's kingdom in our world. I think of the decision to marry in Christ and to form a family, as well as all those other vocations associated with work and professional life, with the commitment to charity



In consecrated life, countless Sisters and Brothers have valiantly served Christ in his church bringing so many people to God. In human terms their untiring work in education, catechesis, healthcare, helping the poor, working for justice and peace is unparalleled but is also a reflection of their deep rooted faith and prayer life and a very visible sign of the power of God at work.

Turning to the ordained ministry, in these days of declining numbers of priests and ever increasing workloads we are blessed by those Jesus calls to serve as Deacons in the church. Through ordination Deacons



draw new strength from the gift of the Holy Spirit. They help the bishop and his body of priests as ministers of the word, of the altar, and of charity. They will make themselves servants to all. As ministers of the altar they will proclaim the Gospel, prepare the sacrifice, and give the Lord's body and blood to the community of believers. They are truly a wonderful gift of Christ to His church.

Vocation stories are not relics of

the past. God still calls. He could be calling you to serve in his church. The Lord's call is not an intrusion of God in our freedom; it is not a "cage" or a burden to be borne. On the contrary, it is the loving initiative whereby God encounters us and invites us to be part of a great undertaking.

There can be no greater joy than to risk everything for the Lord. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. Do not yield to fear, which paralyzes us before the great heights to which the Lord points us. Always remember that to those who leave everything behind, and follow him, the Lord promises the joy of a new life that can fill our hearts and enliven our journey.

Let us join in prayer and ask the Lord to help us discover his plan of love for our lives, and to grant us the courage to walk in the path that, from the beginning, he has chosen for each of us.

Fáilte-Bienvenue-Willkomen-Benvenuto-Bienvenido-Witajcie-Bemvindo-Welkom-Velkomin-Viteite-Karibu-Croeso-Valkommen-Tervetuloa-Welcome

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: John & Bernie Connolly, Galway.

Ann Lacey, College Green.

Brid Tierney McDonald, Old Gort Rd. MM

Eddie McCarthy, Watery Rd. Mary Scanlan, Willow Park.

Sun12th 9.30am: Delia & Michael Broderick, Parnell St. Mary, Eugene, John & Bridget Singleton, Hermitage. Jack & Bridget Healy, Imelda & Brian Ryan, Hermitage. 11.30am: Michael Connellan, Ard na Greine.

Marie King, Crusheen.

Joan & Patrick Barry, St. Senan's Rd. Michael Patrick Kelly, College Green. Donall MacMathúna, Ballybeg.

Mon: 7.40am: Special Intention.

10am: Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan, Woodlands.

7.30pm: Breda Whelan, Dalcassian Pk. 1st Anniv

Tues:7.40am Book of Intentions.

10am: Mary Ellen, Joe, Tommie & Paul Hickey, Inch.

Patsy Callinan, Ard na Greine. 7.30pm: P.J., Mary & Burke family, Inch.

Christy, Nancy, John, Pat & Marian Mc Allister, Hermitage. Wed:7.40am: Peggie Cullinan Smyth, Drumcliffe Rd & U.K.

10am: Christy Daly, College View, Clonroadmore.

Mass & Anointing for 2pm:

People with Disabilities & Chronic Illness.

7.30pm: Anthony O'Loughlin, St. Michael's Villas.

Thurs:7.40am: Special Intention. 10am: Frank Hassett, Ard na Gréine. Katherine Reddan, Mullagh.

7.30pm: Special Intention.

8.30pm: St. Flannan's Graduation Mass.

Fri:7.40am Mass for the People.

10am: John, Bridget & James Hanley, Hermitage.

7.30pm: Michael O'Brien, Summerhill. Eileen Gannon, John Paul Ave. MM

Sat:10am: Special Intention.

11am: Holy Communion Holy Family School.

6.30pm: Assumpta Whelan, Iniscarraig. MM Frank Corcoran, Highfield Pk. Bea Malone & decd family, Corofin. Noel Ryan, Dalcassian Ave. Mary Sullivan, Gallows Hill. 1st Anniv

Bríd Mc Cullough, Dalcassian Drive. Breda Hassett, Drumbiggle Rd.

Sun: 9.30am: Rita & Paddy Doolan, St. Patrick's Tce. Deceased Molloy family, Circular Rd.

Mary & Paddy Broderick, Loughville. 11.30am: Christopher Rynne, Hermitage. Michael & Una O'Meara, Limerick Rd.

Paddy, Kitty & Anne Smyth, Carmody St. Bernard Burns, Clare Rd.

Tom Linnane. Listowel.

Kathleen O'Donovan, Clonroadmore, MM

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 12th 8am: Thomas Hogan, Gort Road. 11am: Michael Nihill, Shalee Drive.

Mon 9.30am: Brendan, Maureen & John Wraftery.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions. Wed 9.30am: Holy Souls.

Sun 11am: Jean Coote, Considine Rd.

Hospital & Sick Calls

12th May, 2019 Priest on Duty:

Fr. Jerry Carey Duty Phone: 065 6869098

May is Safeguarding month in the Diocese of Killaloe.

May is Safeguarding month in the Diocese of Killaloe . The Diocese ensures that all children involved in parish activities are safe and cared for. We have in place, parental / quardian consent forms for activities, code of conduct for both children & adults, sign in and out registers, gardai vetting for all adult helpers/leaders. Visit:

www.killaloediocese.ie/ safeguarding to find out more.

Monthly Padre Pio Mass

will be celebrated on Thursday, May 16th in Ennis Friary at 7:30pm. The mass will be celebrated by Fr. John O'Gorman who will share his powerful experiences of Padre Pio with us. All welcome to hear his extraordinary testimony.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 19th May, 2019 Readers: Group 5 **Eucharistic Ministers Weekday:**

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



Thank you for your great generosity to the following collections:

Sunday 5th May: **Development Fund:** €6,847.00 Lourdes assisted pilgrims appeal: €5,155.00

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:

7pm: Nora Ryan, Old Gort Rd.

Sun 12th 10am: Anthony Forde, Roscommon.

11.45: John Doohan, Kincora Pk.

Jimmy & Dilly O'Halloran, Avondale, St. Senan's Rd.

Mon 11am: John Meaney, Surrey. 1st Anniv Tues 11am: Special Intention.

Wed 11am: Andy Mc Tiernan, Sligo. Mons. Leo Herbert, Enniskilllin & USA. Thu 11am: Kathleen O'Loughlin, Old Gort Rd.

Fri 11am: Bridget & Michael O'Halloran, Roslevan. Sat 11am: Holy Communion CBS

7pm: Eileen Lynch, Cahercalla.

Sun 10am: Johnny, Mark & Cathal Mulcaire, Cahercalla Heights.

11.45: Brendan Mounsey, Marian Ave.

Kathleen Burke, Knockanoura, Tulla Rd.1st Anniv

May Devotions in honour of Our Lady

We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May.

- Corrovorrin Crescent; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- Gallows Hill; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- Dalcassian Pk Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- St. Michael's Villas Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- Hermitage Grotto; Rosary daily, 6.30pm
- Marian Avenue Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm
- Butter Market Grotto, Rosary daily, 7pm
- Loughville Grotto, Rosary daily, 8pm

Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Bring flowers of the rarest bring blossoms the fairest, from gardens and woodlands and hillside and dale; Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!



Chorus:

O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today! Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May. O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.

Rest in Peace

Seamus O'Connell, Malahide & St. Michael's Villas; Niall Mahoney, Clancy Pk; Evelyn Roche (née Lyons, Bridge Street, Gort, & formerly of Lyons Bar, High Street, Ennis; David Slattery, John Paul Ave; Jimmy Ryan, Doon, Co. Limerick, brother of Margaret Considine, Tobartaoscain; Gerard Heeney, Dundalk, brother of Seán, Castlewood Pk; Tommy Guilfoyle, St. Clare's Close, Gallows Hill; Brendan Casey, Monument House, O'Connell Square;



Mass & Anointing for people with disabilities & chronic illnesses Ennis Cathedral Wednesday;15th May at 2pm. Celebrant & Homilist: Bishop Fintan Monahan.

Medjugorje prayer meeting: Clarecastle Day Care Centre, 13th May; 8pm. All Welcome

All are welcome.

Maranatha Prayer Ministry Healing Retreat; Sunday, 19th May; 2.30pm; St. Paul's Church, Dooradoyle, Limerick through the Ministry of Rev. Fr. Charles, Monks of Moyross, Limerick. All welcome.

Chime next clinic Wednesday 15th May; 10am - 1pm; in the Parish Centre, Cathedral Grounds, Station Road, Ennis. This is a free service where you can acquire information regarding hearing loss, guidelines for good communication, information on equipment for your home to help you hear the doorbell, phone, smoke alarm and television. We also provide information on Irish Sign Language and Tinnitus. Come in and have a chat, no need for an appointment. HSE hearing aid tubing can be changed and batteries for all hearing aids can be purchased for €2 for a packet of 6. We do not service, fit or issue hearing aids at our clinic. Family members and local agencies are welcome to seek advice. If you require more information please contact the resource office: Chime, Perry Street, Limerick. Tel: 061 467 494/Text: 087 6839754/ Email:alona.troy@chime.ie

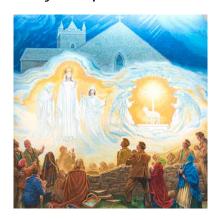
Web: www.chime.ie

Clare Roots Society Meeting; Maguire Suite, Old Ground Hotel; 8pm; Thursday 16th May; LECTURE TITLE Broadford Parish: Life in a Rural County Clare Parish in the First Half of



the Nineteenth Century. Speaker Pat O'Brien will outline the history of his native parish of Broadford. In 1841; Broadford Parish had a population in excess of 8,000 people. This is a study of the lives of the ordinary people of the time. Topics to be covered: wells (holy and mineral), folklore, food, fire, priests, turf, schools (hedge and national), postal service, traditional cures, housing, farming, marriage, hurling, the role of women, clothes, Irish language etc.

Annual Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine Sunday 23rd June 2019. Led by Bishop Fintan Monahan.



2:30pm: – Anointing of the Sick. 3:00pm: – Concelebrated Mass. Glynn's Coaches: **065 6828234**

Knock is Celebrating 140 years this year 1879-2019.

Clare Music Makers are celebrating 25 years of music making with their upcoming "25 Year Celebration" Concert on Saturday 18th May in Danlann an Chlair, Ennis, tickets €15. All are welcome!!!

Banner GAA Club are holding a family fun bingo night in the Woodstock Hotel on Friday May 17th at 8pm. Full books €10 & child half books €5, available at the door. Fabulous spot prizes to be won. All are welcome. Please support.

ENNIS MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION: Presents A Mental Health Workshop - A 4 hour interactive workshop for over 18! Community groups, that will equip participants with the knowledge and understanding necessary to foster and enhance mental wellbeing. Date: Wednesday 15th May; Time 10am; Cost: free; To book a place please contact or txt 085-2524608

The Countdown is on for the Annual Clare Burren Marathon Challenge - Saturday May 25th: The Burren, Ballyvaughan. Choice of Full, Half & 10K Mini marathons. Walk - Jog - Run, both on & off road, across the beautiful Burren terrain along the Wild Atlantic Way. Charity Groups, individuals, runners, walkers - everyone welcome to take part in this fun event! Entry options & info: ☎ 087 7779714 / http://www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com

Pilgrimage to Fatima, led by Fr. Ger Fitzgerald. Departing from Dublin Sept 19th—26th. €829 per person sharing, coach transfer Ennis to Dublin & return included. For further details & booking form contact Fr. Ger fitz.ger@gmail.com or Paul Fitzhenry 085 7688696.

Sr. Eileen's Cuinne

Lá na nGairmeacha

Is lá speisialta san Eaglais an ceathrú Domhnach den Cháisc. Iarrtar orainn guí go dtiocfaidh méadú ar ghairmeacha chun na Sagartachta agus an Bheatha Reiligiúnach. Is é an Pobal a chothaíonn suim i ngairm na sagartachta. Is é Íosa féin a dúirt linn: "Tá an fómhar fairsing ach níl ann ach meitheal bheag. Dá bhrí sin guígí Máistir an fhómhair go gcuirfeadh sé meitheal uaidh isteach ina fhómhair" (Matha 9:37-38). Inár mBaisteadh ghlaoigh Íosa ar gach duine againn é a leanúint. Faoi láthair sna tíortha saibhre, tá laghdú mór ar an méid daoine atá ag éisteacht leis an nglaoch chun bheith ina shagairt. Is é an scéal céanna é in Éirinn.

Inniu agus an tAoire Maith á cheiliúradh againn, tugaimis aird ar a bhriathra bheith aontaithe leis agus leis an Athair le go mbeadh ar ár gcumas a ghuth a aithint i saol ina bhfuil iliomad guthanna eile ár dtarraingt uaidh nuair a ghlaonn sé orthu. Go raibh sé de mhisneach ag aos óg éisteacht leis an Tiarna, an tAoire Maith, nuair a ghlaonn sé orthu. Is féidir an phaidir seo a rá: A Thiarna Íosa Críost, Slánaitheoir an domhain, go n-éirí linn ár mbeatha a chaitheamh de réir do dhílse. Go dtreoraí an Spiorad Naomh sagairt agus lucht craobhscaoilte an dea-scéil agus go gcuire Íosa meitheal uaidh isteach ina fhómhair. Áiméan.

The fourth Sunday of Easter is a very special day. We are asked to pray for an increase of vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life. Vocations are and ought to be fostered in the community. It was Jesus who said, "The harvest is great but the labourers are few. Pray that the Lord of the harvest will send labourers into His harvest" (Matthew 9: 37 -38). In our Baptism each is called to follow Jesus. At present in the rich countries, there is a significant decrease in the numbers answering the call to priesthood. It is the same in Ireland.

Today as we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday let us strive to be united with Him and his Father, so that we may recognise His voice ina world where there are many voices drawing us away from Him. May the youth have the courage to listen to the voice of the Lord, the Good Shepherd, when He calls them. We can say this prayer: Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, may we spend our lives faithful to You. May the Holy Spirit guide priests and all who preach the gospel, and may the Lord of the harvest send labourers into His harvest. Amen.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes; Mary, God's Mother appeared to Bernadette in Lourdes 161 years ago and asked that people would come on pilgrimage to Lourdes. The Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage will be led by Bishop Fintan Monahan who warmly invites you to join him in Lourdes from the 25th June to 30th June. The cost: €725 per person sharing. €20 discount for online booking at www.joewalshtours.ie. Booking forms can be obtained from: Joe Walsh Tours, 143 Lower Baggot St, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 2410810. A limited number of sick pilgrims will be accommodated in the Sanctuary of Lourdes at a cost of €626. Applications for sick pilgrims only to Fr. Tom Ryan, Pilgrimage Director, Cathedral House, Station Rd, Ennis. Tel: (065) 6824043. Families or individuals often sponsor a family member, parents, or a friend on the occasion of an anniversary or Jubilee with a visit to Lourdes. Sponsorship for sick people is always welcome. For details, see poster in Church porch and www.killaloediocese.ie

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, allleluia.

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 Acts of the Apostles Acts 13:14.43-52

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

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R

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, We are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the Lord, Eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age.

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 7:9.14-17

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord, I know my own sheep and my own know me. | Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Jn 10:27-30

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

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
The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.