Mass Times



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 1st September, 2019 The Season of Creation 1st September-4th October

It began in the most unlikely of places: with a teenager refusing to go to school. But over the last year, a remarkable wave of climate activism has spread across the globe, inspired by the Swedish teenage, Greta Thunberg, who caught the imagination of teenagers around the world, including here in Ireland. Their 'climate strike' gave many older people hope, when it brought thousands of teenagers out on to the streets of towns and cities around Ireland, as they demanded a different ecological future.

'On the lips of children and of babes, you have found praise to foil your enemy' (Ps 8:2). The Scriptures remind us that God often uses the wisdom and energy of youth to bring about change. Certainly, our young people are our leaders on this most important issue. The Government, which admits that it has been a 'laggard' on this issue, declared a climate emergency in May, making Ireland only the second country in the world to do so.

This growing grassroots appetite for change has come at just the right time. The summer brought no comfort from scientists, whose investigations continue to suggest the problems we face are far and more serious than we had thought. Heat records were broken across Europe. The Arctic ice shelf has melted this year at an alarming rate.

Reading the Government plans on climate alongside *Laudato Si'* is an illuminating exercise. The document from the Pope is vastly more impressive, imaginative, and robust than the best thinking of a Government which sees itself as creative and progressive. Francis's account of the many factors at play in climate breakdown and the many ways in which it will devastate lives is evidence-based intricately argued, and motivated by a vision that is *pro-life* in the fullest meaning of

the term. As a Papal encyclical Laudato Si' is an authoritative text within the Catholic Social tradition.

Earlier this year, Pope Francis met with Greta Thunberg. He encouraged her to continue her work and assured her that the climate strikes had his support. Many in the Irish church recognise that in recent decades there has been a failure to connect the faith with the younger generations. Yet here, there is a clear and direct over lap between the mission of the church and the passion of the young. The Pope sees that care for our world is not just one more good deed that we might choose to take up, but is integral to Christian faith. He insists that as 'we come together to take charge of this home which has been entrusted to us,' we are not responding to some temporarily 'hot' topic in the culture, nor are we motivated by selfish self-interest, because of the threat we face. Rather, we care for the earth because we know 'that all the good which exists here will be taken up on the heavenly feasts'.



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their families and have few relatives alive. Your generosity to this appeal is very much appreciated.

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the parish office or any of the priests.

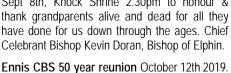
Bro Ian Cunningham OFM



Congratulations and every blessing to Ian Cunningham, Elm Pk who made his first profession as a Franciscan Friar in the Friary in Killarney on Assumption Day 15th August. Ian is son of Denis & Caroline and brother of Sarah. He was educated in Ennis National School, St. Flannan's College & St. Patrick's College, Maynooth. He joined the Franciscan Order in their Postulancy in Ennis Friary in 2017 and completed his novitiate in Killarney. Bro Ian now continues his studies in Rome and Assisi as we pray God's Blessing on all who are discerning the call to serve in Priest hood, Diaconate and Religious Life.

All welcome to join us for Taizé Prayer; Thursday 5th September; Church of our

Annual National Grandparents' Pilgrimage Sept 8th, Knock Shrine 2.30pm to honour &



A committee has been formed to organise a 50 year reunion of CBS classes from first year 1964 to Leaving Cert 1969. if you haven't been contacted already and wish to take part in this get together which is scheduled for Saturday 12th October 2019, please contact John 087 2240605.

Rice College Supervised Study opens on Monday 2nd September 2019 at 5pm. Weekend Study opens Saturday 14th September at 9am.Students from all schools welcome. Application Forms can be collected by students on the first day they wish to start attending. Enquiries to Carmel on 0863026207 or John 0872766338.

Samaritans Ennis and Clare Branch is SAMARITANS encouraging people to get involved with the charity to give something back to the local community and make a difference to people's lives. Information evenings will be held in the Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Road, Ennis on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th September. To find out more about becoming a volunteer with Samaritans in Ennis & Clare, register your interest in attending one of the Information events Phone/Text 085-1763491 or email: samaritansrecruitmentennis@gmail.com Youth Ministry Leader Training: Killaloe Diocese Youth Ministry will hold a Youth Ministry leader training course in the autumn in Carrigoran Wellness Centre, Newmarket on Fergus, Co Clare. The outline of the course includes introduction to Youth Ministry, Focusing on Prayer, Special Liturgies, Youth Masses, Pastoral Care, Altar-serving training, Safeguarding and other areas. The course will take place on Wednesday Nights beginning on the 18th September and continuing until 23rd October from 7.15pm to 9.15pm each night. More details are available from Donagh O Meara 087 2322140, Joanne O'Brien 085 8749207 or Cora Guinnane 087 2400135.

Carers required in Ennis—no experience necessary - Alzheimer Society, Community Employment Scheme - 19.5 hours per week. Phone Mary McGann: 065 6845835 or email: <u>mmcqann@alzheimer.ie</u>

Avenue Utd. Soccer Academy resumes Sat Morning, Sept 14; 9:30 - 10:30 in Lee's Road.

OLDER ADULT EXERCISE CLASSES Fahy Hall, Roslevan: Monday 2nd; 5pm; Cois na hAbhna: Tuesday 3rd; 12noon; Pairc na Coille, Showgrounds, Thur 4th 2pm All classes pay as you go. Contact John 087 6666927 or visit <u>fitness4fun.ie</u>

The SONAS Singers, the wellness choir of Ennis Mental Health Association, starts for the autumn on Tuesday 10 September at 6pm at SONAS, Chapel Lane, Ennis. This choir is open to all regardless of experience or ability – just come along on the first evening at 6pm. Donation €2 - €5 per night. We believe that singing is good for our wellbeing and that everyone who can talk can sing! Our intention is to learn together as we go along.

Trinity Prayer Group prayer meetings resume on Tues Sept 3rd in St. Joseph's meeting room, 52 Kincora Pk at 8pm. All welcome to join us for prayer, praise, scripture sharing.

Be Still & Know Meditation restarts; Tues 4th Sept in Roslevan Church and Thurs 6th in Rowan Tree Hostel (both at 8pm start).

Burren Weekend Retreat 13 – 15 Sept: Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren? Experience the silence and beauty of this unique landscape through walking mindfully on ancient pathways or limestone pavements. Get to know some of the rare flora and appreciate our rich faith heritage in one of the ancient sacred sites. Info: Noirin 087 945 9151/ Mary 087 970 1130.

Ennis Toastmasters meet first and third Tuesdays of each month September to May. Next meeting; Tuesday 3rd September. Meetings commence; 8pm sharp and finish at 10pm; at rear of Further Education Campus, Clonroad Business Park, Ennis. Tel: 0863861942 or email contact-3360@toastmastersclubs.org

Clare Older people volunteer of the year 2019; The search is on again to recognise those who give their time, energy and skills to help others in the local community. For application form contact Helen: hmoloney@clareclcl.ie or 1065 6846240 or visit www.clarecoco.ie/services/community/ clare-age-friendly-county. Applications must be submitted by Thursday 12th September.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Meán Fómhair Cuirimis fáilte roimh mhí Mheán Fómhair, mí na torthúlachta, mí bhainte an arbhair, mí fillte ar scoileanna agus coláistí. *I mí Mheáin Fómhair, bí linn a Thiarna.* Is í intinn an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Go n-oibrí polaiteoirí, eolaithe, geilleagraithe as

lámh a chéile chun farraigí agus aigéin na cruinne a chosaint. De réir an tseanfhocail, dá fhad é an lá tagann an oíche. Tá deireadh le laethanta saoire an tSamhraidh. Tá múinteoirí, daltaí agus mic léinn dírithe ar an bhfoghlaim arís. Tús maith leath na hoibre. Guímis ar son ár múinteoirí agus ár lucht teagaisc a thugann aire do spiorad an aosa óig agus a thugann chun foirfeachta é. Beannaigh iad ina gcuid oibre, a Íosa. Molaimid don aos óg aird a dhíriú ag tús na scoil bhliana ar an gcomhairle seo a leanas ón mbéaloideas. Na trí nithe nach féidir leo casadh go brách: lá ó scoil, Domhnach ón

Aifreann, lá o cheird. Ní hualach do dhuine an léann agus seo anchomhairle ó fhile anaithnid:

I d'óige oscail do mheabhair, Is bailigh an fhoghlaim leat; Óir an glór nach dtuigeann an ceann Is cuma é ann nó as. Is í seo paidir an mhúinteora

Cuir ar mo chumas múineadh <u>le heagna</u>, mar cabhraím i múnlú na haigne. Ullmhaigh mé chun múineadh <u>le fírinne</u>, mar cabhraímse i múnlú coinsiasa. Spreag mé chun múineadh <u>le</u> <u>fís</u> mar cabhraímse i múnlú na todhchaí. Cuir ar mo chumas múineadh <u>le grá</u> mar cabhraímse i múnlú an domhain. Áiméan.

We welcome September, month of fruitfulness, month of harvesting, month of returning to school and college. Be with us Lord during the month of September. The Pope's intention for September is: That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans. According to the proverb however long the day night will come. Summer holidays are over. Teachers, pupils and students have again focused on learning. A good start is half the work .Let us pray for our teachers and educators who help young people achieve their full potential. Jesus, bless them in their work. We advise students to remember the following from Irish lore: Three things you can never get back: a day absent from school, a Sunday without Mass and a day away from one's trade. Learning is no burden and it is worth listening to this anonymous poet's advice: In your youth open your mind and acquire an education, for knowledge your intellect does not understand is useless.

This is a teacher's prayer: *Enable me to teach* with <u>wisdom</u> as I shape the mind. Prepare me to teach with <u>truth</u> as I shape conscience. Encourage me to teach with <u>vision</u> as I help shape the future. Enable me to teach with <u>love</u> as I help shape the world. Amen.

The Ennis Players' open night will take place at Unit 8, Doora Industrial Estate, Quin Road, Ennis on Wednesday 4th September @ 8pm. For further contact Laura at 087 0641191.

Prayers for Bishops, Priests, Deacons and seminarians monthly prayer meeting in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament; Barefield Church; Tuesday 3rd September; 7.30pm.

For classes resuming in September see: www.ennisparish.com

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Entrance Antiphon Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, Full of mercy to all who call to you. 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.	The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for joy. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. <i>R.</i> Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. <i>R.</i>	place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted.'
 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.	You poured down, O God, a generous rain: when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. <i>R.</i> A reading from the letter to the Hebrews Heb 12:18-19.22-24 What you have come to is nothing known	Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.' The Gospel of the Lord
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.	to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first- born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made	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
A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus. Ecc 3:17-20.28-29 My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sages dream. The word of the Lord	perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant. The word of the LordGospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. D a Sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone	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

invites you to a wedding feast, do not take

your seat in the place of honour. A more

distinguished person than you may have

been invited, and the person who invited

you both may come and say, "Give up your

Responsorial Psalm

In your goodness, O God, You prepared a home for the poor.

Communion Antiphon How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

forward to the resurrection of the dead

and the life of the world to come. Amen.