

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

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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 25th August, 2019

A father's reflection on dealing with Drug addiction

I read an article recently about perspective. The author said "If you are looking at a skyscraper from a few miles away and someone is standing in front of you then they can appear to be the same size as the skyscraper. They can actually appear to be bigger than the skyscraper from the right distance and angle". In my experience in dealing with a drug issue with your child can also be like this. The drug addiction is an enormous issue and it tears you apart at your very core because you can see where it leads. You can become consumed by it and feel beyond desperate. I think part of the pain of this is that we all expect when a family faces challenges that the whole family will rally round and help everyone deal with a difficult situation.



We have all experienced this with a serious family illness or death. The drug addiction is different because it tears the family apart at its core. The person with the addiction just doesn't recognise what the drugs are doing to them and the family can't reach them. It's so painful and so difficult to deal with. We also feel a sense of shame that it's one of our family members that is in this situation and it can alienate us from our friends and wider family circle. Nobody feels proud to say their child is dealing with a drug addiction. I think it's really important that we do say it, it's really important to help us cope and it also is a massive help to others to first of all recognise that drug addiction

is happening right through our whole communities and to perhaps help them to be alert as to what might be happening in their own homes and also to give others the confidence to say I'm dealing with this as well. The plight of drug addiction is that it attempts to damage all that it touches. Only with hindsight now do I recognise that in order to take on what was a serious situation with my child, God was the one person that could free my child from the grips of drug addiction.

I changed my perspective; God was the skyscraper in the distance and my child was right beside me and we were some distance from God. I couldn't see God because my child or rather their addiction was standing in the way. In desperation I moved closer to God with my child, I had to take my child to the bottom of the skyscraper. I had to leave her with God for her to be freed from this trap that she was caught in. Thank God massive progress has been made, it's an ongoing journey but I now recognise the size of God in this situation. I can't see the top of the skyscraper. I know when you are dealing with the physical out pouring of the damage of drugs that it can seem as if there is just nothing can be done. I think it's at this point that God takes over and can lead to freedom. My advice is to take your child to Jesus to be healed.

He is the only Healer.

*Fáilte-Bienvenue-Willkommen-Benvenuto-Bienvenido-Witajcie-Bemvindo-
Welkom-Velkomin-Vitejte-Karibu-Croeso-Valkommen-Tervetuloa-Welcome*

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Michael Griffin, Parnell St.
Thomas Cosgrove, Mc Namara Pk.
Sun 25th: 9.30am: Louis Forte, Gallows Hill.
William & Patricia Casey, La Verna, Cappahard.
11.30am: Paul Whelan, Kilrush Rd.
Breda, Joe & Jim O'Halloran, Doora & Ennis.
Monica & Fergus Gallagher, Cappahard.
Sr. Anne Boland, Woodlands. MM
Patsy Guerin, McNamara Pk.
Furseay Cunniffe, Clonroad & Tramore.
Mon: 7.40am: Special Intention.
10am: Special Intention.
7.30pm: Tom Dillon, Ard na Gréine.
Michael Cullinan, Gallows Hill.
Tues: 7.40am Book of Intentions.
10am: Michael Considine, Hermitage & Christopher &
Daniel Considine, UK.
John, Nell, Sheila & Philo Healy, Tralee.
7.30pm: Eileen Tuohy, Kincora Park & Parnell St.
Wed: 7.40am: Holy Souls.
10am: James Hanley, Hermitage, Pat & Mary Hanley
nee Cooper, England.
7.30pm: Josie O'Shea, Ard na Gréine. MM
Thurs: 7.40am: Special Intention.
10am: Eileen O'Donoghue, Hermitage & Sean Doyle,
Manchester.
7.30pm: Mary Reidy, Claireen, Lahinch Rd.
Tadhg, Tim & Susan Queally, Drumcliffe.
Patrick Shannon, Dalcassian Park.
Fri: 7.40am: Mass for the People.
10am: Sheila & Tom Coote, St. Michael's Villas.
Thady Joyce, Beechpark.
7.30pm: Mary Bernadette (Berrie) McMahon,
Ferndown, Lahinch Rd. MM
Sat: 10am: Kitty Lynch, St. Michael's Villas & Seán
Lynch, Considine Rd.
June & Jimmy Carey, Golf Links Rd.
6.30pm: Margaret Flynn, Connolly Villas.
Sun 9.30am: Cathal Clune, Linnane Tce. Kilrush Rd.
11.30am: Ann Flynn, Turnpike Rd.
Seán Hayes, Clonroad.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 1st September, 2019

Readers: Group 2

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Mon 9.30am: Donor's Intention.
Tue 9.30am: .Book of Intentions.
Wed 9.30am: Donor's Intentions.
Thurs 9.30am: Sr. Anthony Murrighy.
Sun 1st 11am: Josephine McMahon, Shanaway Rd.
Christy Moloney, Clancy Park.

Bingo

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



Hospital & Sick Calls

25th August, 2019

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Ger Fitzgerald

Please call: 065 6869098

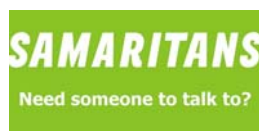
Newly Baptised

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



Jessica Rose Barrett,
Erin Kate O'Meara,
Max Matthew Gallagher,
Grace Frances Corbett,
Eamon Gearoid O'Reilly,
Sarah Julian Summerly,
Harry David Brooks

Would it help to talk?



24 Hour Helpline
Whatever you're going
through you can call us
free from any phone.
Tel: 116 123

The Cathedral of Saints

Peter & Paul is monitored
by CCTV cameras and by
a live streaming camera.

Live streaming can be
viewed online at
www.ennisparish.com

live stream on the parish

website or from

Ennis Parish

App.



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: Maurice Greehy, St. Senan's Rd.
Brendan Ryan, Kincora Pk.
Sun 25th 10am: Gerry Jones, Orchard Lane.
11.45am: Sean Dolan, Castletawn.
Mon 11am: Geraldine Anne Hartney, Mountain View.
Tues 11am: Eugene Leonard, Ennis & Dublin.
Wed 11am: Paudie Cosgrove, Gort Rd.
Thurs 11am: P.J. Morgan, Loughville.
Fri 11am: Sarah Morrissey, Kilmurry McMahon.
Sat 11am: Owen McGowan, Fergus Lawn, Tulla Rd.
7pm: Michael Nunan, Gort Rd. 1st Anniv
Sun 1st 10am: Rita Duggan, Claireen.
11.45: Helen McCabe, Newport.

First Friday of September Fr John will visit the homes of sick and housebound parishioners **on this Friday Aug 30th** a week earlier than normal. All other priests will visit next week as usual. If you are aware of any sick or housebound parishioners who would like to receive the sacraments please contact the parish office or any of the priests.

Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) Sunday 1st September; 5.30pm; St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



St. Anthony's Magazine: the latest edition of St. Anthony's magazine is now available in both The Friary & The Cathedral. €2 per copy, supporting the Franciscan Missionaries work of the Franciscan Friary.

Clarecare over 65's Club

Situated in Cuan An Chlair, Cahercalla

Hairdressing; Chiropody, Bingo; Exercise; Meditation; Arts & Crafts; A hot meal; Fun & Laughter, Friendships and much more

Open Monday to Friday - Call: 086 4183535

Limited places available. Call to register and check criteria.

Trip to Knock Shrine on Sat, 31st of Aug for Charismatic Weekend Pilgrimage. Contact Stephen Leahy @ 086 1943960.

Sum of money found in Dunnes Stores on Thurs 15th Aug. Contact 087 6201 993 to enquire.

Sick & Retired Priests' Fund

The second collection at all Masses next weekend is appealing to your generosity to support our sick and retired priests and Bishop. Some of these Priests are now in their late eighties and nineties and in some situations the last surviving members of the family and have few relatives alive. Bishop Fintan appreciates your generosity to this appeal.

Exciting news!



A new junior choir is starting in the Cathedral this September. This will be a formal, robed, choir involving musicianship training through the Voice for Life programme (RSCM). Practices will be held in the Ennis Cathedral Choir room on Mondays from 5.15 to 6.30pm. The choir will sing at 10 church engagements in the first academic year. Children from 3rd to 6th class are welcome to audition and places are strictly limited to 32 children. Please email enniscathedralchoir@gmail.com

Cathedral Renovation & Painting Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge €700.00 in denominations of €300.00 & €100.00 received in the past week. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal. The estimated costs of this work to date is €180,000. Contributions received to date €25,383.

Room to Bloom Kids' Care, Clonroad, Ennis, Spaces available. Contact Hazel 087 7919948

For Adults interested in completing a free Leaving Certificate, an information evening will be held on Thursday August 29th @ 7.30pm at the Further Education And Training Centre Clonroad Campus in Ennis. Contact the LCETB FET office on 065-6824819.

The Cathedral Folk Group are resuming practice on Wed 4th Sept in the Chapter room at 8pm. We are looking for musicians, piano, fiddle, concertina, guitar, flute, percussion etc. as well as singers. Further details phone Sean 087 6388795

Ennis CBS 50 year reunion, Oct 12th 2019. 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 Sat 12th Oct 2019, please contact John 087 2240605

The Killaloe Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage leaves from Shannon Airport on Sunday 29th September to Friday 4th October. €699 with €20 discount for online booking to joewalshstours.ie

Rest in Peace

Philomena Meade, Kildysart, mother of Mary Daffy, Clancy Pk,
Fr. Tom Seymour, Nenagh,
Michael Barry, Four Seasons Drive.

*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.*

First Day of School

*I wonder what you're doing now
And if everyone is treating you kind,
I hope there is a special person,
A nice friend that you can find.*

*I wonder if the teacher knows
How special you are to me
And if the brightness of your heart
Is something the teacher can see?*

*I wonder if you think of me
And if you need a hug.
I already miss the sound of your voice
And when you give my leg a tug.*

*I wonder if you understand
My joy at seeing you grow,
And on this day, know my heart breaks
As out in the world, I'm letting you go!*



Schools re-open this week. Good luck to all students in our parish schools as they return this week! We wish every blessing on children beginning school for the very first time.

A Harvest Prayer



**On the day of the harvest
the straw is set aside,
The chaff is blown away
by the wind,
And the weeds are consigned
to the flames.
But the wheat, like sacks of gold,
is gathered into the barn.
Lord, on the day of death,
The harvest of my life will be
poured out before you,
Wheat & chaff & weeds together.
Let your wise hand sift through it;
Then keep what is worth keeping,
And with the breath of your
kindness, blow the rest away.**

Parkinson's Meeting. This month's Meeting of the Clare Branch of Parkinson's Association will be held at Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus on this coming Fri 30th Aug. Anybody interested just come along together with family member/friend/carer. Further information call 087 2272782

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Seachtain Oidhreachta Náisiúnta.

Inniu an lá deireanach de Sheachtain Oidhreachta Náisiúnta, seachtain atá comhordaithe ag an gComhairle Oidhreachta. Is í an ócáid oidhreachta is coitianta in Éirinn agus ghlac mórán daoine páirt in imeachtaí a eagraíodh i ngach paróiste. Tá oidhreacht shaibhir againn anseo in Éirinn, scéalaíocht, ceardaíocht, spórt, ceol, toibreacha beannaithe, carraigeacha an Aifrínn, treoir mharcanna, oidhreacht thógtha, flóra, fána, gnáthóga nádúrtha, aibhneacha, locha agus rudaí eile nach iad. Is cuid dár n-oidhreacht freisin ár gcreideamh Chaitliceach. Bíodh meas againn ar ár n-oidhreacht agus fonn orainn í a chaomhnú. *Moladh go deo le Dia.*

Comhghairdeas le gach aon dalta sa pharóiste a fuair toradh na hArd Teistiméireachta an Mháirt seo caite. Tréaslaimid chomh maith leis na múinteoirí agus na tuismitheoirí a chabhraigh leo an ceann scríbe seo ina saol a bhaint amach. Go raibh beannacht agus grásta Dé leo sa todhchaí agus iad ag tabhairt aghaidh ar chúrsaí i gcoláistí éagsúla nó ar ionaid oibre. Moltar do dhaoine óga drugaí midhleathacha a sheachain. Tá scéalta truaimeálacha cloiste againn sna meáin chumarsáide faoi mhí-úsáid drugaí. Go raibh sé de mhisneach ag daoine óga an fód a sheasamh ar son an chirt agus ar son na córa. Go dtuga an Spiorad Naomh neart agus misneach dóibh nuair a bhíonn gá leis.

This is the final day of National Heritage Week organised by the National Council of Ireland. It is the most comprehensive heritage event in Ireland and many people participated in the events organised in each parish during the week.

We have a rich heritage in Ireland including storytelling, craft, sport, blessed wells, Mass Rocks, monuments, flora, fauna, natural habitats, rivers and lakes. Our Catholic faith is an important part of our heritage. Let us respect and conserve it. *God be praised forever.*

Congratulations to all who received their Leaving Certificate results during the week. Congratulations also to their teachers and parents who helped the students achieve their aims. May they have God's blessings and graces in the future, in college or in the workplace. Young people are advised to avoid taking illegal drugs. We have heard poignant stories in the media about their misuse. May the Holy Spirit give them the strength and courage to do what is right and resist pressure to blindly follow social influences.

Ennis Parish Development Fund
For
Sunday 18th August 2019,
6049 Euro

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
Save the servant who trusts in you, my
God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to
you all the day long.

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 prophet Isaiah.

Is 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather
the nations of every language. They shall
come to witness my glory. I will give them a
sign and send some of their survivors to the
nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech,
Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant
islands that have never heard of me or seen
my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the
nations. As an offering to the Lord they will
bring all your brothers, on horses, in
chariots, in litters, on mules, on
dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy
mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like
Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels
to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of
them I will make priests and Levites, says
the Lord.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: *Go out to the whole world;
proclaim the Good News.*

O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples! **R**

Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful forever. **R**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Heb 12:5-7.11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in
which you are addressed as sons? My son,
when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it
lightly; but do not get discouraged when he
reprimands you. For the Lord trains the
ones that he loves and he punishes all
those that he acknowledges as his sons.
Suffering is part of your training; God is
treating you as his sons. Has there ever
been any son whose father did not train
him? Of course, any punishment is most
painful at the time, and far from pleasant;
but later, in those on whom it has been
used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness.
So hold up your limp arms and steady your
trembling knees and smooth out the path
you tread; then the injured limb will not be
wrenched, it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord

Gospel 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

Lk 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went
teaching, making his way to Jerusalem.
Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be
only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try
your best to enter by the narrow door,
because, I tell you, many will try to enter
and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has
got up and locked the door, you may find
yourself knocking on the door, saying,
"Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do
not know where you come from." Then you
will find yourself saying, "We once ate and
drank in your company; you taught in our
streets" but he will reply, "I do not know
where you come from. Away from me, all

you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and
grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham
and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets
in the kingdom of God, and yourselves
turned outside. And men from east and
west, from north and south, will come to
take their places at the feast in the
kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who
will be first, and those now first who will be
last.'

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 earth is replete with the fruits of
your work, O Lord; you bring forth
bread from the earth and wine to cheer
the heart.**