

# Ennis Parish News



Confessions in Cathedral Saturday After 11am Mass & after 6.30pm Mass  
St Joseph's Saturday After 10.30am 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; 11am & 7.30pm; 11am on Saturday  
St. Joseph's:- Monday – Saturday: 10.30am  
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:

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Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year A) 29th March, 2020

## *Message from Pope Francis*

“Tonight before falling asleep think about Strength and courage.  
when we will return to the street. See you soon! ”

When we hug again, when all the shopping together will seem like a party. Let's think about when the coffees will return to the bar, the small talk, the photos close to each other.

We think about when it will be all a memory but normalcy will seem an unexpected and beautiful gift.

We will love everything that has so far seemed futile to us.

Every second will be precious.

Swims at the sea, the sun until late, sunsets, toasts, laughter.

We will go back to laughing together.



#Papafrancesco #restateacasa #pope  
#popefrancis



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

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**6.30pm:** Tom & Mgt Coughlan, Clonroadbeg.  
Margaret Spellissy, Steele's Tce.

**Sun 29th: 9.30am:** Nono Lynch, Dalcassian Ave.

**11.30am:** Mary Hynes, Clare Rd.

John Staunton, Gallows Hill. **1st Anniv**

Jim Kitson, Claureen Drive.

Bernadette Roche, Ennis.

May McEnery & family, Kilrush Rd.

**Mon: 7.40am:**

**11am:**

**7.30pm:** William & Martha Costin;

Mc Aulife family, Hospital, Co. Limerick.

**Tues: 7.40am** Book of Intentions.

**11am:** William Guilfoyle, Hermitage.

**7.30pm:**

**Wed: 7.40am:** Maureen & Walter Bridgeman, Quin.

**11am:** Nurse Kay Duggan, Francis St.

Nora & Daniel O'Neill, Connolly.

**7.30pm:** Tessie Meere, Cahercalla.

**Thurs: 7.40am:**

**11am:** Josephine & Patrick Kelly, Ard na Greíne.

John & Mary O'Looney, Kilfenora.

**7.30pm:** Michael & Mary Kate Griffin, Parnell St.

Thomas Whelan, Dalcassian Pk.

Kevin, Ann, Margaret & Mary Anne Maughan,

Childer's Rd.

**Fri: 7.40am** Mass for the People.

**11am:** Mary Keane, Clancy Pk.

Tony Kelly, Feakle.

Donor's Intention.

**7.30pm:** Mary McCormack, Chapel Lane & London.

**1st Anniv**

**Sat: 11am:** Margaret Meehan, Carmody St. **1st Anniv**

**6.30pm:** Mary & Michael Walsh, Roseville, Clonroad.

Brid Tierney McDonald, Old Gort Rd. **1st Anniv**

**Sun 5th: 9.30am:**

**11.30am:** Gerry Browne, College Rd. **1st Anniv**

Tommy Dormer, Ivy Hill, Gort Rd.

Nell & Mary Ryan, Stonepark.

Des & Peggy Carroll, Corovorrin Drive.

Josephine West, Childer's Rd. **1st Anniv**

Mary & Patrick Honan, Kilrush Rd.

Kathleen O'Donovan, Tivoli, Clonroadmore. **1st Anniv**

## Hospital & Sick Calls

29th March, 2020

**Priest on Duty:**

**Please call:** 065 6869098



**Reminder:  
Clocks go forward  
one hour  
this weekend.**

## 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:** Joe Skelly, New Road.

Paddy Greene, Corrovorrin Ave.

**Sun 29th 10am:** Paul Glynn, Corrovorrin.

**11.45:** Martin & Kathleen Kelly, Old Gort Rd;  
Baby Emma, Toonagh.

**Mon 10.30am:** Michael Devitt, St. Senan's Rd.

**Tues 10.30am:** Edwin Twomey, Mellor, Blackburn.

**Wed 10.30am:** Patrick & Michael Cleary, Clancy Pk.

**Thu 10.30am:** Kevin Lynch, Lifford Rd.

**Fri 7pm:** John McCabe, Roslevan.

**Sat 10.30am:** Frank Markham, New Rd.

**7pm:** James, Mary & John Sexton,

Bellard, Miltown Malbay.

**Sun 5th 11.45am:** Bridie & Dennis Greer, Shannon Pk.

## Masses Requested

Masses already arranged and requested for Cloughleigh will be offered in the Cathedral at 11am with the exception of weekend Masses.

Fr. John is offering Masses in St. Joseph's Church at the normal times but in private without any members of the public present. The church will be open for people to come and pray from Monday to Friday 11am to 4.30pm. Sundays 12.30pm to 4.30pm. Please note there is no access to the hospital through the Church.

All of these Masses will be celebrated behind closed doors at the present time.

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### Daily Programme for this week in the Cathedral.

<b>Monday - Friday:</b>	7.30am	Morning Prayer
	7.40am	Mass
	11am	Mass & Rosary
<b>Saturday</b>	7.30pm	Mass & Rosary
	11am	Mass & Rosary
<b>Sunday</b>	6.30pm	Mass
	9.30am & 11.30am	Mass

All ceremonies take place behind closed doors at the present time but can be viewed on the parish webcam [www.ennisparish.com/webcam](http://www.ennisparish.com/webcam) and on our radio link (106.4fm)

All churches will open each day as normal for personal prayer with the exception of Mass times in the Cathedral. Arrangements will be made for Funerals. **The parish office will remain closed at present.** A priest will remain on duty and can be contacted on 065 6869098.

### An Hour of Prayer

On Monday night from 8pm to 9pm in the Cathedral we will stream live and broadcast from behind closed doors a conducted hour of prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. We invite you from your home to join us for this hour of prayer.

**We thank parishioners and benefactors who have left offerings into the Cathedral, and to the Friars and Poor Clare Sisters at this time.**

**The Poor Clare Sisters** are praying for all of us each day in their monastery in Francis Street. Their daily Rosary is prayed each day for protection against the Coronavirus for people all over the world and for those working to stop the spread of the virus.

## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 29th 11am:** Decd Mc Gowan & Frawley families.

**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.

**Sun 5th 11am:** Austin Connole, Shanlee, Lahinch Rd.

## Rest in Peace

**Albert Hanberry, Ballymachill Rd., Roslevan**



*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.*

## Corona Virus Prayer

Dear God,  
I pray for healing for all  
affected by this deadly virus.  
Only You can move  
in a mighty way and  
do the impossible for them.  
We pray for all negative outcomes  
to be resolved by  
Your healing hands.  
Bless and embrace each  
and every single person  
and bring full healing  
to their bodies, minds and spirits.  
Amen.

## Trócaire Lenten Campaign



On the fifth week of our Lenten Journey  
of helping the poor. Despite the  
challenges we are facing as a nation at  
the present time, we continue to reach  
out to the poor and especially during  
Lent with our Trócaire Box. "Nobody  
gets to Heaven without a letter of  
reference from the poor"  
*Every cent and euro do make a difference*

## First Friday

**This Friday 3rd April. Please note  
that the Priests of the parish will not  
be visiting housebound parishioners  
this month.**

## An act of Spiritual Communion

While we cannot receive communion at this  
time we can still make an act of Spiritual  
Communion in which we express our faith  
in Jesus and in his presence in the  
Eucharist and invite him to unite himself  
with us.

### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,  
I believe that you are present  
in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love you above all things,  
And I desire to receive you  
into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive you sacramentally,  
Come at least spiritually  
into my heart.  
I embrace you as if you  
were already there  
and unite myself wholly to you.  
Never permit me to be separated from you.

(St. Alphonsus de Liguori)

O Sacrament Most Holy,  
O Sacrament Divine,  
All praise and thanksgiving  
be every moment thine! x3

## Cathedral Renovation & Painting Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to  
acknowledge donations of: €100 €75 & \$75.  
We thank the many people who have made  
once off contributions to this appeal.  
*All contributions for this work are very  
much appreciated.*

## Self Isolating

A teacher in China reflects on self isolation.

1. Accept that you have no control over the situation. Let go of any thoughts of trying to plan too much for the next month or two. Things change so fast. Don't be angry and annoyed at the system. Anxiety goes down, and you make the best of the situation - whatever that might be for you. Accept that this is what it is and things will get easier.
2. Try not to listen to/read/watch too much media. It WILL drive you crazy. There is a thing as too much!
3. The sense of community I have felt during this time is incredible. I could choose who I wanted to spend my energy on - who I wanted to call, message and connect with and found the quality of my relationships has improved.
4. Appreciate this enforced downtime. When do you ever have time like this? I will miss it when we go back to the fast-paced speed of the 'real world'.
5. Time goes fast. I still haven't picked up the ukulele I planned to learn, and there are box set TV shows I haven't watched yet.
6. As a teacher, the relationships I have built with my students have only continued to grow. I have loved seeing how independent they are; filming themselves to respond to tasks while also learning essential life skills such as balance, risk-taking and problem-solving, that even we as adults are still learning.
7. You learn to appreciate the little things; sunshine through the window, flowers blossoming and being able to enjoy a coffee in a cafe.

To those just beginning this journey, You will get through it. Listen to what you are told, follow the rules and look out for each other. There is light at the end of the tunnel.

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Mí Aibreán.

Tá mí Aibreán thar tairseach isteach chugainn. I mí Aibreáin bí linn, a Thiarna: mí na bhfáinleog, mí na cuaiche, mí an fhásra, mí an fhéir ghlais. Is í intinn an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Go mbeidh cabhair agus tacaíocht ar fáil acu siúd atá ag fulaingt de dheasca andúile. Tá ardú mór ar líon na ndaoine a bhfuil an Víreascorónach orthu sa tír seo. Is minic a deirtear gurb í Láithreach Dé an ghné is suntasaí dár spioradáltacht Cheilteach. Is dual dár gcreideamh ár saol a chaitheamh i láthair Dé. Chreid siad go raibh grá Dé á gcosaint de shíor agus bhí siad an tughtha do phaidreacha ciorclacha. Tá roinnt mhaith díobh le fáil in *Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais* le Diarmaid Ó Laoghaire, S.J. Is é an ceann is coitianta atá ar eolas againn ná Lúireach Phádraig. Is féidir linn é a rá go minic na laethanta seo ag iarraidh ar Dhia teacht i gcabhair orainn agus sinn a shábháil ón Víreascorónach.

Criost liom,  
Criost romham,  
Criost i mo dhiaidh,  
Christ istigh ionam,  
Criost fúm,  
Criost os mo chionn,  
Criost ar mo lámh dheas,  
Criost ar mo lámh chlé,  
Criost i mo luí dom,  
Criost i mo sheasamh dom,  
Criost i gcroí gach duine atá ag  
cuimhneamh orm,  
Criost i mbéal gach duine a labhraíonn  
liom,  
Criost i ngach súil a fhéachann orm,  
Criost i ngach cluas a éisteann liom.  
Áiméan.

April is here. Be with us Lord during the month of April, month of the swallows, month of the cuckoo, month of growth, month of green grass. The Pope's intention for this month is: We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied. The number of those suffering from the Coronavirus here has increased. The Presence of God is often said to be the most significant aspect of our Celtic spirituality This was natural in Irish life. People believed that they were constantly being protected by God's love and were very committed to circular prayers. Many of these are to be found in *Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais* by Diarmaid Ó Laoghaire.S.J. The most common one is Saint Patrick's Breastplate. We can often recite it asking God to protect us from the Coronavirus.

Christ with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down,  
Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart of every one who  
thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who  
speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.  
Amen.

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

Give me justice, O God,  
And plead my cause against a nation that is  
faithless.

From the deceitful and cunning rescue me,  
For you, O God, are my strength.

### 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.

## A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

Ezk 37:12-14

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this - it is the Lord who speaks.

### The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

*Response: With the Lord there is mercy  
And fullness of redemption.*

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,  
Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive  
To the voice of my pleading.

R

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,  
Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:  
For this we revere you.

R

My soul is waiting for the Lord,  
I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord  
More than watchman for daybreak.  
(Let the watchman count on daybreak  
And Israel on the Lord).

R

Because with the Lord there is mercy  
And fullness of redemption,  
Israel indeed he will redeem  
From all its iniquity.

R

## A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

Rm 8:8-11

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not

belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

### The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

I am the resurrection and the life,

says the Lord;

Whoever believes in me will never die.

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jn 11:1-45

There was a man named Lazarus who lived in the village of Bethany with two sisters, Mary and Martha, and he was ill. It was the same Mary, the sister of the sick man Lazarus, who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair. The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already.

When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.

If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live,  
and whoever lives and believes in me  
will never die.

Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.'

Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the

tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.

I knew indeed that you always hear me.

But I speak

for the sake of all these who stand round me,

so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

## 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

Everyone who lives and believes in me  
will not die for ever, says the Lord