



# Ennis Parish News

## 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:

Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: [info@ennisparish.com](mailto:info@ennisparish.com)  
 St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6797489; Friary: 6828751

Ennis Parish Web Site: <http://www.ennisparish.com>

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

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year A) 17th May, 2020

## ENSURING THE CHURCH IS A SAFE PLACE FOR CHILDREN

Just over a year ago Pope Francis convened a meeting of Church leaders in Rome to discuss safeguarding children and vulnerable adults in the Church. What has happened in Ireland in the intervening period?

Child safeguarding is not just about guidance or procedures; it is also about putting into place, through our actions and our hearts, best practice based on Gospel values, national legislation, canon law and international norms. The National Board for Safeguarding Children in the Catholic Church in Ireland is placing increasing emphasis in translating written policies and procedures into concrete action and pastoral based ministry.

Reviews by the National Board, such as the one in this diocese last January, are focused on listening to children, complainants and respondents, as well as those who minister in child safeguarding – a shift away from merely examining written procedures.

A lot of work has gone into getting our written policy and procedures sound and fit for purpose; we will always review and update these as required following changes to civil or canonical requirements.

Pope Francis asks us to give concrete witness of faith in Christ: 'You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden' (Mt 5:14). Our Lord Jesus Christ calls every believer to be a shining example of virtue, integrity and holiness. All of us, in fact, are called to give



concrete witness of faith in Christ in our lives and, in particular, in our relationship with others.'

We believe that the Church in Ireland has matured, in terms of child safeguarding practice, from slavishly following procedures (still important and must be adhered to) to really understanding the importance of acting compassionately with a true heart to safeguard children.

Although the month of May is normally seen as the safeguarding month in the Diocese, given the current situation with Covid-19, Bishop Fintan and the safeguarding committee believed it was best to cancel this year's safeguarding month. However, work has continued in making sure that the current way of working via social media, webcams etc is safe for all through guidance on best practice re Online communication, Data Protection and the use of social media to broadcast Mass & Liturgical Ceremonies.

One great news story in the midst of all the current challenges is the exemplary way that safeguarding is being implemented across this diocese from the ground level in the individual parishes to the diocesan committees. This excellent work and care by so many committed people is reflected in the recently published final report on the review in Killaloe diocese. Check out the Safeguarding section on [www.killaloe-diocese.ie](http://www.killaloe-diocese.ie)

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**6.30pm:** Marie King, Crusheen.  
Teri Corcoran Giovannetti **1st Anniv** & Frank, Highfield Pk.  
Frank Hassett, Ard na Greine.  
Brendan Mc Mahon, Ferndown, Lahinch Rd.  
Breda Hassett, Drumbiggle Rd.

**Sun 17th: 9.30am:** John, Bridget, James & Pat Hanley, Hermitage.

**11.30am:** Michael & Una O'Meara, Limerick Rd.  
Paddy & Kitty Smith, Carmody St.

**Mon: 8.30am:** Special Intention.  
**11am:** Matt & Mary Coughlan, Mallow.  
**7.30pm:** Maureen & Billy Pigott, Connolly Villas;  
Burns & Pigott families.

**Tues: 8.30am** Book of Intentions.  
**11am:** Christopher Rynne, Honan's Tce.  
**7.30pm:** Michael O'Brien, Summerhill.  
Tom Linnane, Listowel.

**Wed: 8.30am:** Special Intention.  
**11am:** Madge Moloney, Mc Namara Pk,  
Joe Sheehan, Drumbiggle Drive. **MM**  
**7.30pm:** Ted Barron, Oakleigh Wood.

**Thurs: 8.30am:** Special Intention.  
**11am:** Kathleen Markham, Turnpike Rd.  
**7.30pm:** Holy Souls.  
**Fri: 8.30am** Mass for the People.  
**11am:** Flan Ryan, Drumcliffe.  
Cathal Ryan, Shanaway Rd.

**7.30pm:** Alfred & Norah Tuohy, Golf Links Rd.  
**Sat: 11am:** Noel Ryan, St. Joseph's Tce;  
Mary & Packie Ryan, Dalcassian Ave.  
Helen Keane.  
Mary Sullivan, late Gallows Hill.

**6.30pm:** Peter Considine, Dromadrehid. **1st Anniv**  
Frank & Sally O'Dea, Park Ave.  
Christy Rushe, Ennis.  
Eddie Daly, Hermitage. **MM**

**Sun 9.30am:** Rita & Paddy Doolan, St. Patrick's Tce.  
**11.30am:** Eamonn Moloney, McNamara Pk.  
Joseph O'Dea, Galway.  
Brendan Casey, Monument Hse., O'Connell Sq. **1st Anniv**

## Hospital & Sick Calls

17th May, 2020

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom O'Gorman

Please call: 065 6869098

### Diocesan Safeguarding Prayer

Lord, our God, Look with favour on our children whom we as a Church commend to your tender care. Your Son, gladly welcomed little children.

He took them in his arms, blessed them, and held them up as an example for us all.

We pray that you, Father, will also send your blessing upon all of us gathered here this day, so that we may play our part in helping our children to grow in Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, may they become Christ's witnesses in a world which craves their energy, light and generosity. Allow us to create environments where children, clergy and parish ministers flourish and minister to each other in a spirit of light, love and joy.

We also beg your pardon for the times we have failed in this ministry. We remember those who have been hurt and those who are hurting, may your healing be a source of strength and comfort to them and their families. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen Lord, we thank you for the gift of our children; they are our light and our joy.

Give us wisdom to guide them, patience to teach them, and a desire to encourage them always. As we strive to love them sincerely, may we never betray their trust, dampen their hope, or discourage their spirit.

May we help them achieve their potential and fulfill your dreams for them.

May your grace and love fall gently upon them giving them the inner strength, peace and patience they will need for the journey ahead. And as we strive to create safe environments where we can freely minister to them, may we be open to you ministering to us in and through them. Amen



## 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:** Maureen Skelly, New Rd.  
**Sun 17th 10am:** Johnny, Mark & Cathal Mulcaire, Cahercalla Heights.  
**11.45am:** Jimmy & Dilly O'Halloran, St. Senan's Rd.  
Kathleen Burke, Knockanoura, Tulla Rd.

**Wed 10.30am:** Dullaghan & Connolly families, Dundalk & Newry.

**Thu 10.30am:** John Breslin, Sligo.

**Fri 10.30am:** Gerard & Kathleen Duignan, Parnell St.

**Sat 7pm:** Eileen Lynch, Cahercalla.

**Sun 10am:** Tom Pyne, Cloughleigh.  
John, Seán & Rose O'Sullivan, Kevin Barry Ave.  
**11.45:** Eleanor O'Connor, Greenlawn, Lissane, Clarecastle. **1st Anniv**

## Cathedral Daily Programme

**Sunday:** 9.30am: Mass & Rosary  
11.30am: Mass & Rosary

**Monday:** 8.30am: Morning Prayer & Mass  
11am: Mass & Rosary;  
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary;  
8pm - 9pm: Holy Hour.

**Tuesday:** 8.30am: Morning Prayer & Mass  
11am: Mass & Rosary;  
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary.

**Wednesday:** 8.30am: Morning Prayer & Mass  
11am: Mass & Rosary;  
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary.

**Thursday:** 8.30am: Morning Prayer & Mass  
11am: Mass & Rosary;  
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary.

**Friday:** 8.30am: Morning Prayer & Mass  
11am: Mass & Rosary;  
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary.

**Saturday:** 11am: Mass & Rosary;  
6.30pm Vigil Mass & Rosary;



## Cloughleigh



### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 17th 11am:** Joan Coote, Considine Rd.  
**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.  
**Sun 11am:** Patrick McKeown, Turnpike. **1st Anniv**

### May Devotions in honour of Our Lady

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

#### 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.*

### Diocesan Safeguarding Month.



The month of May is normally the Diocesan Safeguarding Month. However in these exceptional circumstances during this month, it is not possible to mark it as we would normally do. We ask that people keep in their prayers those children and adults who are experiencing harm and or have been hurt by others. We ask that you look out for those who are struggling during this time, by giving them a smile, a wave or a few kind words.

### Re-Opening of our Churches

Our Churches will reopen for private prayer from Monday 18th May. This will give people who wish the opportunity to call to the Church, say a prayer, light a candle, sit for a time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Churches are obliged to close when Mass or Funerals are being celebrated until at least the 20th July.

**From Monday the Cathedral and St. Joseph's Church will be open for visits.**

**We ask people to respect social distancing and to sit only in the designated seats.**

**The Cathedral will open from 9am-10.45am & 12noon -7pm each weekday**

**St Josephs will open from 2-4pm each weekday**

### 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. We invite you from your home to join us during this hour of prayer.

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) Arrangements will be made for Funerals. During the present closure the Parish Office will be staffed behind closed doors each Wednesday from 9.30am—1pm & 2.30-3.30pm to deal with queries or to arrange Masses. If you need the service of the Parish Office please ring 065 6824043 during these hours. The email for the office is: [info@ennisparish.com](mailto:info@ennisparish.com) A priest will remain on duty and can be contacted on 065 6869098.

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

### Mass Offerings and Cards from the Friary

If you would like to make Mass offerings or request cards from the Friary while the present emergency lasts, please use one of the following: Please include your phone number and contact number with all options. By post to: Franciscan Friary, Francis Street, Ennis V95A4N2

Or you can e-mail it to [Guardian.Ennis@franciscans.ie](mailto:Guardian.Ennis@franciscans.ie)

You can also phone 087-4697971 during office hours - 9.30a.m. to 12.30p.m. - and outside of office hours, leave your name and number and we will get back to you.

Or, simply put it into the post-box beside the Friary Office door.

### Parish Sunday Envelopes Website Donate Button

A number of Parishioners have been giving their weekly contribution directly into the Parish Bank Account over the past few weeks and we thank all those who have contributed in anyway during this time. If other Parishioners would like to pay their weekly contribution in this way the Parish Bank Account Details are as follows:

Bank of Ireland, Bank Place, Ennis.

Ennis Parish Development Fund Account.

**IBAN: IE87 BOFI 9042 1030 1780 10**

**BIC: BOFIE2D**

If you choose to contribute into the Parish Account ensure that you put your envelope number or name as a reference so that we can keep track of contributions for those parishioners who are taking part in the Charitable Donation Tax Relief Scheme.

In response to requests for the opportunity to make online donations to the parish, we have now installed a **Donate Button on the Parish Website Home Page**, which is a secure and safe way to contribute to parish for those who prefer this option.

### COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

### Cathedral Renovation & Painting Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donation of:€50. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

**All contributions for this work are very much appreciated.**

Ennis Parish Development Fund for  
Sunday 10th May 2020, **€2530.00**

## *Sr. Eileen's Cúinne*

Paidreacha na Bealtaine .

Seo roinnt paidreacha agus amhrán gur féidir a rá, chuig an Mhaighdean Muire le linn na míosa seo.

A Mhuire Mháthair 'sé seo mo ghúir go maire Íosa, go deo im'chroí.

Ave Maria, mo ghrá Ave  
is tusa mo mháthair, is máthair Dé  
Ave Maria, mo ghrá Ave  
is tusa mo mháthair, is máthair Dé

A Mhuire Mháthair, tá lán de ghrást,  
go mbeidh tú taobh liom, ar uair mo bháis

Ave Maria, mo ghrá  
Aveis tusa mo mháthair, is máthair Dé.  
Ave Maria, mo ghrá Ave,  
is tusa mo mháthair, is máthair Dé

Mary Mother, this is my prayer  
May Jesus live eternally in my heart  
Hail Mary, hail dearest one  
You're my mother and God's mother

Hail Mary, hail dearest one  
You're my mother and God's mother

Mary Mother, full of grace  
Be at my side at death's hour

Hail Mary, hail dearest one  
You're my mother and God's mother  
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You're my mother and God's mother

### *Rest in Peace*

David Woodford, Barefield & Ennis, Tom Stack, Lifford Rd & Kerry, Michael O' Doherty, Childers Road, Cloughleigh, Mick McInerney, Maiville & late Killballyowen Cross, John Walsh, Roscrea, Brother of Bishop Willie Walsh.



*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.*

### *Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine*

This year the pilgrimage will be a virtual pilgrimage on Sunday next May 24th. It will begin at 2.55pm with a 5 minute video message from the Diocese, the prayers throughout the Mass will be focused on the Killaloe Diocese.  
[www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie)

### *Pilgrimage 2021 a date for the diary*

The annual pilgrimage for 2021, hopefully with people being present in body, mind and spirit will be on Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021. You are warmly welcome to attend.



# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
Proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia

## 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

**Ac 8:5-8.14-17**

Philip went to a Samaritan town and  
proclaimed the Christ to them. The people  
united in welcoming the message Philip  
preached, either because they had heard of  
the miracles he worked or because they saw  
them for themselves. There were, for  
example, unclean spirits that came shrieking  
out of many who were possessed, and several  
paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result  
there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that  
Samaria had accepted the word of God, they  
sent Peter and John to them, and they went  
down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to  
receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not  
come down on any of them: they had only  
been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus.  
Then they laid hands on them, and they  
received the Holy Spirit.

**The word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. Cry out with joy to God all the earth.**

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,  
O sing to the glory of his name.  
O render him glorious praise.  
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!'

**R**

'Before you all the earth shall bow;  
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'  
Come and see the works of God,  
tremendous his deeds among men.

**R**

He turned the sea into dry land,  
they passed through the river dry-shod.  
Let our joy then be in him;  
he rules for ever by his might.

**R**

Come and hear, all who fear God.  
I will tell what he did for my soul:  
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer  
Nor withhold his love from me.

**R**

## A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

**1 Pt 3:15-18**

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and  
always have your answer ready for people  
who ask you the reason for the hope that you  
all have. But give it with courtesy and respect  
and with a clear conscience, so that those  
who slander you when you are living a good  
life in Christ may be proved wrong in the  
accusations that they bring. And if it is the will  
of God that you should suffer, it is better to  
suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was,  
had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to  
lead us to God. In the body he was put to  
death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

**The word of the Lord**

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Jesus said: '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 John.

**Jn 14:15-21**

Jesus said to his disciples:  
'If you love me you will keep my  
commandments.  
I shall ask the Father, and he will give  
you another Advocate to be with you for  
ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world  
can never receive since it neither sees  
nor knows him; but you know him,

because he is with you, he is in you.  
I will not leave you orphans;  
I will come back to you.  
In a short time the world will no longer  
see me;  
but you will see me,  
because I live and you will live.  
On that day you will understand that I  
am in my Father  
and you in me and I in you.  
Anybody who receives my  
commandments and keeps them will  
be the one who loves me;  
and anybody who loves me will be  
loved by my Father,  
and I shall love him and show myself  
to 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

**If you love me, keep my commandments,  
says the Lord,  
And I will ask the Father and he will send  
you another Paraclete,  
To abide with you for ever, alleluia.**