

# Ennis Parish Newsletter

## Mass Times

### Cathedral

Monday to Friday 7.40am, 11am & 7.30pm  
Saturday 11am & Vigil 6.30pm  
Sunday 9.30am & 11.30am

### Friary

Monday to Friday 1.05pm **only**  
Saturday 10am & Vigil 7.30pm  
Sunday 12noon **only**

**St. Anthony's Novena in private at present time**

### St. Joseph's

Tuesday to Thursday 10.30am (this week only)  
Saturday 10.30am & Vigil 7pm  
Sunday 10am & 11.45am

### Cloughleigh

Monday to Friday 9.30am  
Sunday 8am & 11am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

### Cathedral

Monday to Friday 7pm to 7.25pm  
Saturday: After 6.30pm Vigil Mass

### Friary

Suspended until further notice.

### Baptisms

Arrangements can be made through the Parish Office.  
Baptisms are celebrated individually for each family.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place  
Monday to Friday in the Cathedral from 5pm until 7.15pm

### 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>

## Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year A) 28th June, 2020

### A New Beginning

Friday 13th March was the last day when Mass was celebrated in public in our parish. During the last 16 weeks Mass has continued to be celebrated. Many reading this newsletter will have seen live stream Masses and listened on our parish radio link (106.4fm).

The only people allowed within our churches over this time of lockdown have been the priests of the parish, sacristans, readers, cantors and musicians.

Monday 18th May proved to be a happy day, as the doors of our churches reopened for private prayer. However our churches had to close when Mass was being celebrated.

Funerals were restricted in numbers, firstly ten people and recently this number increased to 25. This has been very difficult for all concerned; family, undertakers and clergy.

At this time it is appropriate to thank those who have enabled the life of the parish to continue over the weeks. Firstly we thank you for supporting us through your prayers. The voice of prayer has not been silenced and wherever you have been I am certain that our prayers have been with you. Secondly, those involved in reading

God's Word and singing His praises have added greatly to the online experience of prayer.

Thirdly, many have sent generous donations and committed to increase their regular financial support.

This has been very important because our income has decreased for obvious reasons over the past 16 weeks. We know that this support will remain necessary over the coming weeks and months.

Above all we thank God for bringing us through to this opportunity on Monday next 29th June, the feast of SS Peter & Paul to once again celebrate Mass and the Sacraments in public. Our faith may have been tested but HE who is mighty has remained constant and true.

Things may not simply return to how they were before, at least not for some considerable time. We continue to pray for those affected by the virus, the sick, bereaved, departed and also for those whose employment and financial security are under serious threat at this time.

Let us also remember and pray for those in authority, whose great responsibility it is to make decisions which affect the lives of so many others. May they seek and receive the precious gift of wisdom.





## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**6.30pm:** Gerald (Gerry) Cronin, La Salette, Clare Rd. Mattie, Eileen & Brendan Burke, Golfinks Rd.

**Sun 28th: 9.30am:** Michael Purtill, Kilkee.

**11.30am:** Eleanor Ford, Castlewood Pk. **1st Anniv**

**Mon: 7.40am:** Kitty Killeen, Miltown Malbay. Holy Souls.

**11am:** John Joe & Bridget Loftus, Buttermarket.

**7.30pm:** John & Peter Sheridan, Canterbury & Ennis. Anne & Martin Cronin, Drumbiggle Rd.

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

**11am:** Mary Moloney, Ard na Greine. **1st Anniv**

**7.30pm:** No Intention Booked.

**Wed: 7.40am:** Peg Garvey & Annie Keane, Market St.

**11am:** No Intention Booked.

**7.30pm:** No Intention Booked.

**Thurs: 7.40am:** John Martin Meaney, Surrey.

**11am:** Seamus, Rose & Eileen Delaney, Kilnasoolagh Pk.

**7.30pm:** Baby Mollie Rose O'Connell, Kilnamona.

Mary & Michael Doherty, Castlewood Pk.

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

**11am:** Catherine Killeen, Miltown Malbay.

**3pm:** Confirmation Holy Family School.

**7.30pm:** No Intention Booked.

**Sat: 9am:** Confirmation CBS

**11am:** Confirmation CBC

**1pm:** Confirmation CBS

**6.30pm:** No Intention Booked.

**Sun 5th: 9.30am:** Paddy Singleton, Hermitage.

James Hegarty, Moorhau Hse., Fountain.

Patrick & Mary Frances Ayers, Kildysart.

**11.30am:** Nora Coote, Cornmarket St.

Paddy Naughton, Clare Rd.

## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 28th 11am:** John (Chucks) O'Sullivan, Clancy Pk.

**Sun 5th 11am:** Jim Leekie, London & Ennis.

## Parish Sunday Envelopes Website Donate Button

Parishioners who would like to give their weekly contribution to the parish through 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. <https://donate.ennisparish.com/>

**Go raibh mile maith agat.**

## Cathedral Renovation & Painting Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of: €140 & €100. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

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

Ennis Tidy Towns are delighted to continue their Best Kept Garden and Best Green Area competition in 2020. Entry forms can be found at [www.ennistidytowns.com](http://www.ennistidytowns.com) or check out our Facebook page for more details. Deadline for entries is July 3rd, 2020 - best of luck!

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul** are recruiting for participants on their Community Employment Scheme for the following positions:

Driver/General Worker C.E. Scheme, Ennis, Co. job ref: **CES 2146627** retails sales Assistant/ Stock Job ref: **CES 2146624**.

**To apply for these positions, please contact your local DEASP Employment Services/ Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply for this vacancy. Job Reference Number will be required as above. Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over for the Childcare, Health and Social Care sectors and 25 years of age or over for all other areas. Applicants must also be in receipt of an Irish social welfare payment for 1 year or more.**

This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career.

## Pope Francis Covid 19 Emergency Fund

Urgent help required for overseas Missionaries and vulnerable communities in Africa, Asia and Latin America where the Church is often in the forefront in remote and inaccessible areas. To donate: [www.wmi.ie/covid-fund](http://www.wmi.ie/covid-fund) or 01 4972035\*

## 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:** Frank O'Gorman, Marian Ave.

**Sun 28th 10am:** Nell & Joe Walsh, Clonroad.

**11.45:** Betty Burke, Lifford Rd.

**Mon 10.30am:** Nancy Hartney, Mountain View.

**Wed 10.30am:** Eileen Kelly, McHugh Villas.

**Sat 10.30am:** Noel & Teresa Naughton, Kincora Pk.

**7pm:** John & Mgt McNamara, St. Senan's Rd.

**Sun 5th 10am:** Una Flaherty, John Paul Ave. **1st Anniv**

**11.45:** John & Norah O'Connor, Marian Ave.

St Joseph's church will be closed on the following days to facilitate critical training and Covid 19 testing for healthcare workers.

Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>, Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Friday July 10<sup>th</sup>, Friday July 17<sup>th</sup>

We apologise for the inconvenience

## Peter and Paul

On Monday we honour two men different in character but united by their burning love for Jesus Christ.



Peter — a fisherman, impetuous, headstrong, the first to be called by Christ, yet denies that he even knows Him when challenged by a servant girl. He overcomes this failure to become the leader of the early Church.

So Peter is no cardboard figure who can do no wrong; he is a man aware of his own sinfulness but aware also of the owner of God at work in Jesus.



Paul— an intellectual, yet a man of burning passion and commitment. At first this energy was channelled into supressing Christ's followers. After his conversion Paul used it to spread the Christian message through the Roman world. He wanted everyone to share in Christ's victory over sin and death.

Their faith brought both men to Rome: there they were put to death during Nero' persecution of the Christians.

We give thanks for their faith in Jesus Christ: it is our inheritance.

Peter & Paul are patrons of our Cathedral and on Monday evening Bishop Fintan will celebrate the 7.30pm Mass in the Cathedral to seek their intercessions and protection as we begin again.

## Return to Public Masses

Daily Mass will resume on Monday 29th June in all our churches. Weekend Masses will resume on the weekend of 4th / 5th July. See timetable on front page of this newsletter.

We warmly welcome everybody back. We are concerned for the safety of everybody and it is important to remember that the obligation to attend Mass in person was lifted at the start of the pandemic and will continue for some time to come. If you do not feel safe or confident coming to Mass in person, you are most welcome to continue to join us for Mass on line or via parish radio.

Seating capacity in all our churches will be reduced. Numbers will vary in each church according to capacity.

## Sacrament of Confirmation

Holy Family school will celebrate the Sacrament on Friday and CBS will do so on Saturday. All ceremonies will take place in the Cathedral.

## Readers of God's Word

We are delighted and privileged to have a great team of readers. As with all parishioners safety is our number priority. If any reader would like to defer returning to their ministry, they can postpone their commitment. If a reader would like to avail of a different Mass, please phone or email Noreen 086 8202275 or noreen.flynn@hotmail.com

## Eucharistic Ministers

We are most appreciative of those who exercise their ministry as Eucharistic Ministers. Due to limited numbers allowed to attend Mass, as a temporary measure, we are reducing the number of Eucharistic Ministers that will be required for Ministry. The parish will contact directly Ministers of the Eucharist as required.

## Guidance for returning to Mass

- 1) Hand sanitisers are available at each Church. We ask you to avail of these as you enter and leave the Church.
- 2) We ask you to adhere to social distancing and follow signage.
- 3) Seats available for use will have signage.  
Please only sit on these seats.  
Families are welcome to sit together.  
Two people per seat from different household. (seated on either side of the seat).
- 4) Holy Communion will be brought to you.  
Please stand if you wish to receive.  
The Priest/Eucharistic Minister will wear a face shield and sanitise their hands before and after distributing Holy Communion.
- 5) Entry to the Cathedral will only be through the main door.
- 6) Exit using all doors.
- 7) When capacity of the Church is filled, a sign at the entry will state "Full capacity".
- 8) The collection at weekends will take place as you enter the Church.
- 9) Holy water fonts are not currently in use.
- 10) The sign of peace is suspended.

These measures are to keep everybody safe and will constantly be reviewed.  
We really look forward to welcoming you back to Mass.

## First Friday of July

Priests of the parish will resume visiting sick and housebound parishioners this week. Before this happens each parishioner will be contacted by phone to establish if they wish to receive the Sacrament at home.

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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## *Sr. Eileen's Cuinne*

An Vireas Corónach.

I rith na seachtaine dúirt an Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar go bhfuil athbhreithniú déanta ar an bplean chun dul i ngleic le Cóid 19 agus roinnt de na srianta a bhí i bhfeidhm á bhogadh. Diaidh ar ndiaidh beidh níos mó saoirse againn. Leag an Taoiseach béim ar fhreagracht phearsanta mar tá baol agus bagairt dár saol ann fós ón vireas. Guímid Sonas siorraí ar anamacha na ndaoine a fuair bás de bharr an víris. A Dhia, beannaigh agus sábháil na daoine atá ag obair sna seirbhísí bunlínte ar ár son ar fud na tíre faoi láthair. Is féidir an phaidir seo a rá go laethúil.

**A Íosa Críost, thaistil tú trí bhailte agus sráidbhailte ag cur cóir leighis ar gach galar agus ag freastal ar dhaoine breoite. Tar i gcabhair orainn anois agus cuir cosc ar leathadh domhanda an choróinvireas agus tú ag léiriú do ghrá dúinn. Leighis iad siúd atá tinn de bharr an víris. Go raibh a neart agus a sláinte acu trí chúram leighis ardchaighdeán. Saor sinn ón eagla a chuireann cosc ar náisiúin oibriú le chéile agus ar chomharsa cabhrú lena chéile. Áiméan.**

During the week the Taoiseach, Leo Varadkar announced that some of the Covid 19 restrictions would be eased and more freedom allowed in public places. He emphasised the importance of personal responsibility as the virus still poses a threat to our lives. Eternal rest to all those who have died because of the virus. We pray God's blessing on everyone who currently works in the front-line services. We can recite this prayer daily:

**Jesus Christ, you travelled through towns and villages curing every disease and illness. At your command, the sick people were made well. Come to our aid now, as the coronavirus spreads worldwide, so that we may experience your healing love. May the sick regain their strength and health through quality medical care. Heal us from our fear, which prevents nations from working together and neighbours from helping one another. Amen.**

## Rest in Peace

**Mary Keane**, St. Anthony's Bungalow, Kilrush Road,

**Paddy Casey**, Shannacool, Darragh, father of Fr. Tony & Fr. Michael & Claire Rutherford, Larchill.

**Marian Daniels**, Ennistymon, mother of Frank Daniels, Aylmers Rest,

**Michael Palmer**, Saint Joseph's Terrace, Clarecastle, and formerly Connolly Villas, Bridie Colville, Corrovorrin Grove



**Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday, 21st June 2020, €4,060.00**



# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

All peoples, clap your hands.  
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

## 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 second book of the Kings. Kgs 4:8-11. 14-16

One day as Elisha was on his way to  
Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there  
pressed him to stay and eat there. After this  
he always broke his journey for a meal  
when he passed that way. She said to her  
husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is  
constantly passing our way must be a holy  
man of God. Let us build him a small room  
on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a  
table and chair and lamp; whenever he  
comes to us he can rest there'.

One day when he came, he retired to  
the upper room and lay down. 'What can be  
done for her?' he asked. Gehazi, his servant  
answered, "Well, she has no son and her  
husband is old." Elisha said, 'Call her.' The  
servant called her and she stood at the  
door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you  
will hold a son in your arms.'

**This is the word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

Response:

**I will sing for ever of your love,  
O Lord.**

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;  
Through all ages my mouth will proclaim  
your truth.

Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for  
ever,  
That your truth is firmly established as the  
heavens. **R**

Happy the people who acclaim such a king,  
Who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,  
Who find their joy every day in your name,  
Who make your justice the source of their  
bliss. **R**

For this is you, O Lord, who are the glory of  
their strength;  
It is by your favour that our might is  
exalted:

For our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;  
Our king in the keeping of the Holy One of  
Israel. **R**

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

**Rom 6:3-4.8-11**

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus  
we were baptised in his death; in other  
words, when we were baptized we went  
into the tomb with him and joined him in  
death, so that as Christ was raised from the  
dead by the father's glory, we too might live  
a new life.

But we believe that having died with  
Christ we shall return to life with him; Christ  
as we know having been raised from the  
dead will never die again. Death has no  
power over him any more. When he died,  
he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now  
is life with God; and in that way, you too  
must consider yourselves to be dead to sin  
but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

**This is the word of the Lord.**

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Open our heart, O Lord,  
To accept the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!**

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

**Mt 10:37-42**

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows:  
'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me

is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers  
son or daughter to me is not worthy of me.  
Anyone who does not take his cross and  
follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me.  
Anyone who finds his life will lose it;  
anyone who loses his life for my sake will  
find it.

Anyone who welcomes you  
welcomes me; and those who welcome  
me welcome the one who sent me.

Anyone who welcomes a prophet  
because he is a prophet will have a  
prophet's reward; and anyone who  
welcomes a holy man because he is a  
holy man will have a holy man's reward.

If anyone gives so much as a cup  
of cold water to one of these little ones  
because he is a disciple, then I tell you  
solemnly, he will most certainly not lose  
his reward'.

## 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

**Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
And all within me, his holy name.**