# **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. 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

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# Welcome Back– You were Missed

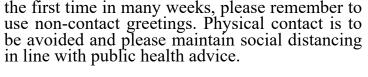
It is a cause of great joy for very many people that this weekend we have the opportunity to return to public worship. For some time, we have longed to join in the celebration of the mass and other sacraments with family, friends and neighbours.

Members of your local parish community have been working hard to ensure that everything has been put in place to ensure that all of us feel as safe as we possibly can when we return to our parish churches. Every parish and every church is different so it is important that we observe the advice and guidelines that are given at a local level.

We appreciate that many people may still feel anxious or concerned about participating in large gatherings of people. You may prefer to wait a few weeks before joining us for Sunday Mass and, in

the meantime, continue to avail of parish radio links, webcams and other social media platforms to participate in religious services. Alternatively, you may wish to participate in a weekday mass when the number of people attending is fewer. If you feel unwell, please remain at home for your own safety and the well-being of others.

Please take the time as you enter and leave the church to sanitize your hands. While you will be meeting members of your faith community for



You will be shown where to sit and members of the same household may sit together. You will

also be advised locally on how to participate in the mass, how to receive Holy Communion and how you should leave the church. Please engage in good respiratory hygiene. Remember to take home anything you may have used during your time in the Church including tissues, masks or newsletters and dispose of them there. We are deeply grateful for your continued support of your parish and clergy. The baskets will not be passed during mass, so we invite you to make your contribution on entering or leaving the church, you may also use the donate button on the parish

website to make your weekly offering.

Current guidelines mean that the capacity of our churches is limited and we ask that you observe these limits. This is a new experience for all of us and we appreciate your kindness, generosity and patience as we strive to make our praying community as safe as possible for everybody. We look forward to being together again as a family of faith and all that remains for us is to say, Welcome Home.







# Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week: Sat 6.30pm: James & Mgt Meehan, Killimer. Sun 5th: 9.30am: Paddy Singleton, Hermitage. James Hegarty, Moorhaun Hse., Fountain. Patrick & Mary Frances Ayers, Kildysart. 11.30am: Nora Coote, Cornmarket St. Paddy Naughton, Clare Rd. Mon: 7.40am: No Intention Booked. 11am: No Intention Booked. 7.30pm: No Intention Booked. Tues: 7.40am Book of Intentions. 11am: Rita Sullivan, Barrack St., Clarecastle. 7.30pm: Stephen (Broddy), Kathleen & decd memb McCarthy & Fagan families, Considine Tce. Paddy & Kitty Hennessy, College Grove. Wed:7.40am: No Intention Booked. 11am: No Intention Booked. 7.30pm: Baby Dylan Fox Tierney, Clancy Pk & Toonagh. Thurs:7.40am: No Intention Booked. 11am: Mary McInerney, Dalcassian Pk. 1st Anniv 7.30pm: Nancy Guinnane, late Hermitage. Fri:7.40am Paddy Skehan, Waterford. 11am: Mgt Murray MM & Patk Murray, 1st Anniv Gordon Drive. 7.30pm: Michael Kelly, late Dalcassian Pk. Sat:9am: CBS First Communion 11am: CBS First Communion. 1pm CBS First Communion. 3pm: Afterschool Programme Holy Communion. **4pm:** Afterschool Programme Confirmation. 6.30pm: Peggy Cox, Dalcassian Ave. Frances Nagle, Cahercalla Estate. 1st Anniv Tommy Mahony, Tobartaoscain. Sun12th: 9.30am: Thomas Dinan, Hermitage. 11.30am: Frank Hanrahan, Dalcassian Drive. Paddy, Nellie, Jim & Helen Casey; Flan, Pat & Ursula Brody. George Gallery Snr, Rockmount.

# Cloughleigh

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Remembered in Masses this Week: Sun 5th11am: Jim Leckie, London & Ennis. Mon 9.30am: Donor's Intention. Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions. Wed 9.30am: Donor's Intention. Thu 9.30am: Donor's Intention. Sun 12th11am: Paddy Shannon, Cloughleigh Rd.

#### Rest in Peace

Marlene Hanrahan (née MacNamara) Pine Grove, Gort Road; Eileen Eddie, Cathedral Court; Jack Daly, Ballyhehan, Belharbour & formerly of Ennis; Bernie Ruane, Woodhaven, Kilrush Road; Bernadette O'Sullivan, Cahercalla Estate, and late of Brosna, Co. Kerry



#### Lord, While I Live

I do not know how long I'll live But while I live, Lord, let me give some comfort to anyone in need by smile or nod, kind word or deed.

And let me do what e'er I can to ease things for my fellow man. I want naught but to do my part to "lift" a tired or weary heart.

To change folks' frowns to smiles again, then I will not have lived in vain and I'll not care how long I live If I can give....and give....and give.

#### COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage 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.

#### **Appeal for Volunteers**

Due to the restrictions of COVID 19, residents in our Nursing Homes & Community Hospitals across Clare have been unable to have visitors of family & friends. This has been a very challenging time with many being cocooned for over 3 months. They continue to have restricted visits and many have no visitors. We can all appreciate this having been through the lockdown ourselves so The Clare Volunteer Centre would like to shine a little light and show them the outdoors. We are looking for volunteers to write letters or postcards to an elderly resident addressing it as "Dear Friend". We are asking that all letters / postcards are posted or dropped to the Clare Volunteer Centre, C/o Clare Education Centre, Government Buildings, Kilrush Road, Ennis V95 The Clare Volunteer F792. Centre will manage the distribution throughout the county and can be contacted on 087 361 2119 or info@volunteerclare.ie with any queries.



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: 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. Wed 10.30am: Síle Moloney, Turnpike Rd & Scotland.

Thurs 10.30am: Mary & Patrick Quinn, Inagh. Sat 7pm: Jim Lordan, St. Senan's Rd.

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St Joseph's Church will be closed on the following days to facilitate critical training and Covid 19 testing for healthcare workers. Friday July 10<sup>th</sup>, Friday July 17<sup>th</sup> We apologise for the inconvenience

#### Congratulations

We congratulate Ennis Native & Killaloe Priest Monsignor Seamus Horgan who earlier this week received an appointment as First Counsellor to the Papal Nunciature in Washington DC. He will take up this appointment later this summer.

Since entering the diplomatic service of the Holy See Monsignor Horgan has served in Uganda, Switzerland & the Philippines. Most recently he has been assigned to the Vatican Secretariat of State (the equivalent of the Vatican, Department of Foreign Affairs). Members of the diplomatic corps represent the Holy Father to the Civil and Ecclesiastical authorities in individual countries.

We wish Monsignor Seamus every blessing as he takes up his new appointment.

#### 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: BOFIIE2D

f 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.

# **Re-Opening Of Our Churches**

On Monday last our Churches celebrated public mass for the first time in 16 weeks. We thank all those who were present for Mass in the past weekend for your understanding as regards the new procedures for coming to Church.

## **Return to Public Masses**

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

Children from the afterschool project will celebrate the sacrament in the Cathedral on Saturday at 4pm.

## Holy Communion

Children from the CBS and Afterschool project will celebrate their Holy Communion on Saturday in the Cathedral at four different ceremonies. 10am, 11.30am, 1pm & 3pm Please note that the 11am Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday will be for Holy Communion children and their families.

#### 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 one 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

- Hand sanitisers are available at each Church. We ask you to avail of these as you 1) enter and leave the Church.
- We ask you to adhere to social distancing and follow signage. 2)
- Seats available for use will have signage. 3) 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.
- When capacity of the Church is filled, a sign at the entry will state "Full capacity". 7)
- The collection at weekends will take place as you enter the Church. 8)
- 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.

# Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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#### Mí Iúil

Cuirimis fáilte roimh Mhí Iúil, mí an fhéir thirim, mí na mbláthanna, mí na laethanta saoire. mí obair chrua an fheirmeora, mí imeacht na gcuach, críoch an tSamhraidh. Is i mí Iúil a bhíonn Comóradh Fola Sárluachmhaire ár dTiarna, Íosa Críost. Is í intinn an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Go mbeidh grá, meas, agus treoir i gcroílár na dteaghlach sa lá atá inniu ann.

Tá rialtas nua bunaithe, Taoiseach agus Airí Rialtais nuathofa i ndeireadh na dála. Guímid gach rath agus séan orthu agus iad ag dul i mbun a ngnóthaí ag rialú na tíre. Is féidir an phaidir seo a rá dár gCeannairí.

A Dhia Uilechumhachtaigh, Foinse na Gaoise, iarraimid ort na ceannairí náisiúnta atá tofa againn a bheannú.

Tabhair saoithiúlacht dóibh trína bplé agus trína gcinntí ionas gur

féidir linn ár gcuid fadhbanna a réiteach go héifeachtach,

feabhas a chur ar fholláine ár náisiúin, agus sochaí níos cothroime agus níos aontaithe a bhaint amach le chéile. Áiméan

Let us welcome the month of July the month of haymaking, holidays, the departure of the cuckoo, the end of Summer. July is the month devoted to the Precious Blood of Jesus. The Pope's intention for July is: We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.

At long last a new government has been formed. The Taoiseach and Ministers have been chosen. We wish them good luck as they go about their duties of ruling the country. We can say this prayer for our elected Leaders.

Eternal God, Fount of wisdom,

we ask you to bless the national leaders we have elected.

Grant that through their discussions and decisions

we may solve our problems effectively, enhance the well-being of our nation, and achieve together a fairer and more united society. Amen.

#### **Cathedral Renovation & Painting Appeal**

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of: €195 & €100 & €50. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal. All contributions for this work are very much appreciated

#### House Blessing and Magnet

We have a lovely Fridge magnet and house blessing for sale in the Parish Office. €3 each or two for €5. all proceeds in aid of the Cathedral Renovation



Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 28th June 2020,€2570.00

# **Today's Scripture Readings**

Entrance Antiphon Your merciful love, O God, We have received in the midst of your temple.

Your praise, O God, like your name, Reaches the ends of the earth; Your right hand is filled with saving justice.

#### 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 book of the prophet Zechariah. Zc 9: 9-10

The Lord says this:

"Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem! See now, your king comes to you; He is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations; his empire will stretch from sea to sea.

from the River to the ends of the earth." The word of the Lord **Responsorial Psalm** R: I will bless your name for ever, O God my King. I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name forever. I will bless you day after day, and praise your name forever. R The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures **R** All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and all your friends shall repeat your blessing They shall speak of the glory of your reign, and declare you might, O God The Lord is faithful in all his words And loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall And raises all who are bowed down. R A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans. Rm 8: 9. 11-13 Your interests 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. 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. So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live. The word of the Lord. Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

For revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 11.25-30

Jesus exclaimed, "I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you who labour and are over burdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy, and my burden light."

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 Taste and see that the Lord is good; Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.