Ennis Parish Newsletter

Mass Times

Cathedral-Mass celebrated privately www.ennisparish.com/webcam 106.4fm

Monday to Friday 7.40am, 11am & 7.30pm Saturday 11am & Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 8am, 9.30am & 11.30am

Friary-Mass celebrated privately

St. Joseph's-Mass celebrated privately

Monday to Friday 10.30am Saturday 10.30am & Vigil 7pm Sunday 10am & 11.45am

Cloughleigh-Mass celebrated privately- available to view on Cloughleigh facebook page

Monday to Friday 9.30am Sunday 11am Cathedral

Confessions are suspended until further notice.

Friary

Confessions are suspended until further notice.

Baptisms

Baptisms are currently suspended.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place Monday to Friday in the Cathedral from 5pm until 7pm

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (Year A) 22nd November, 2020.

THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

God speaks: "I tell you the truth: whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me" (Mt 25: 45)

The last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the solemnity of Christ the King. We live in an age of democracy where kings have no place. But the Feast of Christ the King is very relevant for our times, for his Kingship and His Kingdom are totally different from the kingships and kingdoms of the world. The readings of this Sunday portray before us three distinct, but related aspects of Christ's Kingship.

- 1. Our King is a King who cares: Prophet Ezekiel in the first reading presents our Lord, as a shepherd, who cares for his flock. He himself will search for us and finds us. He will rescue us from all dangers. He will come after us when we stray. He will be there to heal us and strengthen us. Yes, Christ our king has been immensely good to us, although we have failed him many times. He leads us on the right path and purifies our gifts and iniquities. He died on the cross for you and me. And He continues to bless us what we are. He is a king so different from the kings and leaders of our times. He is a king who knows our needs and listens to our grievances.
 - 2. Our King is a King who conquers: He is not a king who conquers in the understanding of the world. But as Paul describes in the second reading is the one, who conquers sin and death. He regained what we lost, to the disobedience of our First parents. Our King conquers not by cruelty and brutality, but by his love, forgiveness and mercy, personally for each one of us. He has been conquering our sins of pride, lust, greed, anger, sloth, envy and fear. And replaced them with the greater love, compassion, kindness, purity, piety, courage etc. While accomplishing all these, unlike the worldly kings He doesn't force us to

do anything. He respects our freedom and leaves us to make our daily choices for or against Him.

3. Our King is a King with the power to judge: He describes the standards of his judgement. In the gospel of today He judges on the basis of what we do and what we failed to do. His judgement depends on how we treat Him in our brothers and sisters. He lives in the hungry and thirsty, sick and the lonely, stranger, imprisoned, discouraged and dejected. He is a King who needs our love and care through our brothers and sisters in need. He is a king, who comes to serve rather than to be served; He is a strongest king you have ever met.

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To meet this King does not require any special skill. It does not demand any training, or academic degrees, it demands a simple everyday response to the situation of life. It is our response in everyday life that brings us to everlecting life.

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Jesus is to be found everywhere, if I take the time and trouble to be with him, and to give him time and interest. Let us Pray with St. Jerome:" Holy Spirit, be my teacher and guide, open my ears to hear God's Word and open my eyes to understand God's Word and open my mind to understand God's action in my life. May my heart never grow dull, and may my ears always be listening to the voice of Christ."



Priest on Duty 22nd November: Priest on Duty Contact: 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: James Maher, Clonroadbeg. Frank Dinan, Cahercalla Heights. Finbarr Hennessy, Ballineen, Co. Cork.

Bernie Canny, Claureen.

Sun 22nd: 8am: No intention booked. 9.30am: Tim Flanagan, Rockmount House. Frances Feeney, St. Michael's Villas. Con & Angela Glynn, Kilmaley.

11.30am: May Cotter, St. Senan's Rd. 1st Anniv. Robin Lacey, College Green. 1st Anniv. Ted & Nancy Sheils, College Rd. Michael, Kitty & Mathew McEnery, Gort Rd. Mick, Mae & Michael Lyons, Loughville. Elizabeth Summerly, Gort Rd.

Mon: 7.40am: No Intention Booked. 11am: Thomas Sheedy, Woodview. MM. Fr. Michael Brooks, Drumcaurin & California.

7.30pm: Ann & Bernard McNamara, McNamara Park.

Tues:7.40am: Book of Intentions.

11am: Thomas & Alice Fitzpatrick, Larchill. Jim & Nora O'Loughlin, Clonroad.

7.30pm: No intention booked. Wed:7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Margaret Cullinan (nee Hackett) Drumcliffe Rd.

7.30pm: No intention booked. Thurs: 7.40am: No intention booked. 11am: Maura McGrath, Feakle. Don O'Mullane, Station Rd. 7.30pm: Gerard Lyons, Oakpark. Joe Williams, Bindon St.

Fri:7.40am: Mass for the People. 11am: John Daly, Clare Rd.

> Monsignor Patrick McDonnell, Ennis & Florida. Salvador Coote, The Causeway.

7.30pm: Norah McNamara, Ard na Gréine. Pat O'Connor, Tulla Rd. MM

Sat:11am: Daryl Dobson, Ashfield Park. Eileen Blake, Cahercalla.

6.30pm: Marcus Edmund Kershaw Kelly, Westbourne Court.

Sun 29th: 8am: No intention booked. 9.30am: John Davoren, Kilfenora. Mary Traynor, Cappahard, Tulla Rd. Mary & Cronan Griffin, Kildysart Cross.

11.30am: Michael Griffin, O'Connell St. & Clarecastle. Hugh, Frances & Mary Gilmore, Drumcliffe Rd. Sean & Vera Moloney, 'Rahona', Tulla Rd.

Noel McCullagh, Doora.

Maureen & Walter Bridgeman, Quin,.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week: Sun 22nd 11am: Maura McMahon, Cusack Rd.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions. Wed 9.30am: Nell Egan, Victoria Court.

Fri 9.30am: Special Intention.

Sun 29th 11am: Martin Joseph McNulty, Hermitage.

Do you have an illness, injury or disability?

Would you like support around career choices / support while in employment?

Contact EmployAbility Clare on (065) 6844007/ e-mail karen@employabilityclare.ie

Bishop Fintan's latest publication, 'Peace Smiles'

rediscovering Trappist Monk Thomas Merton was launched by Veritas virtually on Thursday 12th. Copies of the book can be purchased for €10 in the Parish Office.

An Ideal Christmas Gift.



Congratulations



A very big thank you to all my friends and neighbours on Cahercalla Road for all their wishes and masses on my Birthday. Also thanks to those kind people who arranged such a surprise. Holy mass will be offered for all.

Mary Vaughan

Cathedral Restoration Fund

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge €200, €200, €50, €50, €50 & €10 We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

All contributions for this work are very much appreciated.

"The Lanes and Bow-Ways of Ennis"

A new publication by Larry Brennan, Published In association with Clare Roots Society. The Book will be launched this Friday 20th. Nov. For sale from Ennis Bookshop and Newsagents.

"The Lane and Bow-ways of Ennis" is the work of Larry Brennan who has been devoted to researching the subject since 2014. The laneways contain an architectural heritage with a unique collection of vernacular building types, styles and diversity of uses from all periods of our history along with notable personalities who are associated with the history of Ennis.

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: Kathleen O'Connor, Dún na hInse. Charlie, Mona & Edward McKee, Brookville. Mon 10.30am: John & Bridget Howe & decd family,

Kildare.

Tues 10.30am: Anne Rynne, Inagh & UK Thu 10.30am: Tom Dixon, Mountain View.MM. Fri 10.30am: Margaret Twomey, Mellor, Blackburn. Sat 10.30am: Maureen O'Gorman, Marian Ave. Sun 29th 10am: Martin & Paul Byrnes, Gort Rd.



From a Distance Concert Series for Cultural Companions—Ennis Cathedral. **5 Virtual Concerts** 5 genres over 5 Sundays continue this Sunday with Monica Morgan Kearney From 3pm—4pm Watch on Ennis Parish Webcam Ennis Parish Facebook Live. Listen on the Parish Radio Link 106.4fm Songs old and new

MC for the concerts: Nigel Bridge

Ennis Parish Office now has available a large selection of Religious, Christmas, Baptismal Gifts, Candles and much more.



All proceeds to Ennis Parish Restoration Fund.

Daily Programme for this week in the Cathedral.

Monday to Friday

7.40am Mass

11am Mass & Rosary 7.30pm Mass & Rosary

Saturday

11am Mass & Rosary 6.30pm Vigil Mass

followed by Rosary

Sunday

8am, 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 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. The Parish Office will remain open at present. A priest will remain on duty and can be contacted at 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.

Cloughleigh Oratory will now open every evening, Tuesday to Saturday between 6:30-7:00p.m. for private Eucharistic adoration. We invite you to come and pray or light a candle. On Monday, because of the evening mass, we will continue to open between 12:00-1:00p.m. for private prayer, but we will be open in the evenings on the other days of the week. Masses during the week continue to be broadcast on Fr. Ger's Facebook page and on the Cloughleigh Chríost Rí Oratory Facebook page.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Monday to Friday from 5pm to 7pm in Cathedral

Support for the Parish

Thank you to all who support our parish, particularly at this difficult time. Many have been very generous. Nevertheless since lockdown in March our income has been severely curtailed in comparison to the previous year.

Some ways to support us at this time:

- 1.) Weekly envelopes can be left into any of the churches.
- 2.) Online at www.ennisparish.com via the donate button.
- 3.) Standing order forms available at the parish office.
- 4.) Remembering Ennis Parish in your will.

The Hook of Faith

A three session virtual Advent Retreat with Fr. Billy Swan (Wexford)

Tuesday 1st to Thurs 3rd December 2020 from 8-9pm on zoom.



Tuesday 1st December Faith
Wednesday 2nd December Hope
Thursday 3rd December Love

To take part, just email: thehookoffaith@gmail.com to receive the zoom link

www.thehookoffaith.com
All are Welcome

University Maternity Hospital Limerick

Annual ceremony of remembrance on this Sunday at 3pm. Virtual ceremony live online from the Church of the Holy Rosary, Ennis Road, Limerick.

Visit: www.ourladyoftherosarylimerick.ie/webcam

Knock Shrine Remembrance Mass



Knock Shrine invites you to join us live online for a special Mass on Sunday November 22 at 12 Noon, as we remember all who have died from COVID-19 on the island of Ireland. This Mass will be celebrated by Most. Rev. Michael Neary, Archbishop of Tuam and streamed live from Knock Basilica. As we come closer to the end of this difficult year, we come together as a community of faith to take time to pause and reflect in support of one another and to pray for strength and hope for each other and ourselves. Live stream

on www.knockshrine.ie and Facebook.

Rest in Peace

Madeleine Killeen, Clonroadbeg. David Kenny, Manchester, and formerly of Cornmarket Street; Brendan O'Dowd, Roo East, Ardnacrusha, brother of Cyril, Clonro

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Dr. Michael Bourgeois, Louisiana, USA.

Malvina Fakova, Barrett's Lane, Off Parnell St.

Sr. Eileen's Chinne

Sollúntas Chríost Rí na nUile.

Ceiliúrtar Sollúntas Chríost Rí na nUile ar an Domhnach deireanach den Bhliain Liotúirgeach. An Pápa Pius XI a bhunaigh an fhéile seo in onóir Chríost Rí na nUile sa bhliain 1925 mar fhreagairt dhíreach ar an náisiúnachas agus an dí-eaglaisiú a bhí ag dul i dtreise ag an am. Rinneadh í a cheiliúradh i dtosach ar an Domhnach deiridh de mhí Mheán Fómhair. Sa bhliain 1969 thug an Pápa Pól VI ainm nua ar an bhFéile: "Ár dTiarna Íosa Críost Rí na nUile". Ceiliúrtar ar an Domhnach seo é gach bliain.

Tá ríogacht agus caithréim Chríost ár dTiarna, Ard -Rí na Cruinne, á cheiliúradh againn. Tá bliain úr, nua na hEaglaise ag tosú agus ár naird dírithe ar chomhlíonadh plean Dhé nuair a thiocfaidh a ríocht agus go mbeimid i gcuideachta ár muintir i láthair Íosa Críost sa bhflaitheas. Cuimhnímid gur chríochnaigh a bheatha saolta ar an gcros ach inniu tugaimid ómós dó mar Rí Aiséirithe.

Go dtuga gach dúil ar neamh agus ar talamh moladh agus glóir duit go deo mar Rí na nUile

Is é Íosa mo Rí-se, mo chara is mo ghrá; Is é Íosa mo dhídean ar pheaca is ar bhás. A Chroí Naofa Íosa go dtaga do ríocht. Áimeán (Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais)

The feast of Christ Our King is celebrated on the last day of the Liturgical Year. The Feast of Christ our King was instituted by Pope Pius 1X in 1925 in response to growing secularism and nationalism. It was originally celebrated on the last Sunday in September. In 1969 Pope Paul V1 renamed the festival "Our Lord Jesus Christ King of All" to be celebrated on the last Sunday of the Liturgical year.

We are commemorating the triumph of Christ, Our Lord as King. A new Liturgical Year begins and our attention is focused on God's plan when His kingdom will come and we and our people will be with Jesus Christ in heaven, remembering that His life ended on the cross but today we honour Him as the Risen King.

May all creation praise and glorify You forever as King of all. This prayer is from Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais:

Jesus my King, my friend and my beloved; Jesus my protection from sin and death. Sacred Heart of Jesus may your Kingdom come. Amen

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 15th November 2020

€2,025.00 **Envelope Collection: €**1,875.00

Online donations: €350.00

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, To receive power and divinity, And wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

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,

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel Ezk 34:11-12.15-17

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with

Amen.

the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

The word of the Lord.

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Responsorial Psalm Response: The Lord is my shepherd; There is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; There is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures Where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, To revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; He is true to his name.

You have prepared a banquet for me In the sigh of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; My cup is overflowing

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me All the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell For ever and ever.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

1 Cor 15:20-26.28

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Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the firstfruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on Him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the

virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

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 Lord sits as King forever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.