

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 8th November, 2020.

Desmond Tutu said, "Hope is being able to see that there is light despite all of the darkness."

You don't get out of bed in the morning without hope. We have hope in many things. Hope in God, hope in family, hope our efforts will bear fruit, hope we'll overcome a sickness, hope that life holds beauty, hope our children will live well.... hope is the reason we keep on keeping on.

Through the many dark times that come in every person's life, light will always prevail as long as that person never gives up hope.

Life is hard and there will always come dark times, but in the end, the light always prevails.

We now face an invisible enemy, the Coronavirus. Our way of life has suddenly changed drastically. Our government have had to take strict measures to try to stop its spread. Families and friends are cut off from one another. People are instructed to go into isolation and practice social distancing.

Many businesses have closed. There are long queues of people out of work and

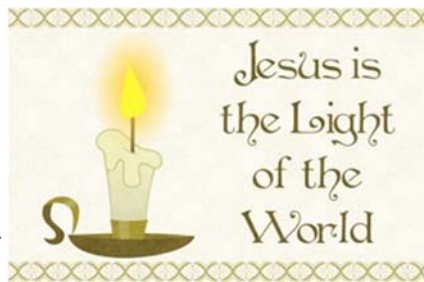
now seeking government financial assistance. Only a handful of people can attend weddings or funerals. Places where groups of people meet must close, including places of worship.

This means for us as Catholics that now there is nowhere we can physically attend the Eucharist. Besides making many confused, angry and fearful, no one knows when this pandemic will end. We live in painful uncertainty, in darkness.

Many of us worldwide are presently stumbling in the darkness that this coronavirus has brought upon us. We are floundering, hoping to get through it. We need to see the light and have hope!

It is so easy to lose our passion for God in the humdrum of everyday life and its' many challenges. Maybe this pandemic is a good reminder to us all that God is always with us.

Though we may not be physically able to be present at the liturgies now, Jesus gives us great hope: "I am the light of the World." ***"Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life"***.





Priest on Duty 8th November: Fr. Tom O’Gorman Contact: 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: Nancy Hehir, Ard na Gréine. MM.
Annette Moylan, Golf Links Rd. MM
Betty McMahon, Enfield, Co. Meath. 1st Anniv.
Mary Averil Fahy, College Green.

Sun 8th 8am: No Intention Booked.
9.30am: Delia Lynch, Fergus Park.
Mary Harvey, Cahercalla Estate.
Nellie Forde, Market St.
Paddy & Helen Casey, Parnell St.

11.30am: Paddy Neylon, Gort Rd. 1st Anniv.
Nora Keavey, Claireen.
Sean Connolly, "St.Patricks" Ard na Greine.
Sarah Nugent nee Tobin & Seán Nugent, Feakle & Scarriff.

Mon: 7.40am: Edmund Cahill, Corofin.
11am: Mary Slattery, Liscannor.
John & Josephine O’Gorman, Kilkee.
Sheila & Gerald Murray, Newmarket on Fergus.

7.30pm: Geraldine Moroney, St. Michael’s Villas;
Hehir family, Connolly Villas & McNamara Park.

Tues:7.40am: Book of Intentions.
11am: Darragh Hennessy, Avondale.
7.30pm: Commane family, Rockmount.
Teresa Weir, Stillorgan, Dublin.

Wed:7.40am: Breda Nolan, Barntick.
11am: Bill, David & Michael Chapman, Ennistymon.
7.30pm: Eilis Heaslip, O’Connell St.
Jane & Felix O’Dwyer, Carrigaholt.
Lillian & James Rooney, Leitrim & U.S.A.

Thurs:7.40am: Dymphna Condon (nee Foudy),
Kilrush Rd.

11am: John & Ellen Kearse, St. Michael’s Villas.
7.30pm: No Intention Booked.

Fri:7.40am: Mass for the People.
11am: Eileen O’Connor, Clonroad.
7.30pm: No Intention Booked.

Sat:11am: Margaret & Tommy Collins, Hermitage.
Margaret Girlie Young, Sixmilebridge.

6.30pm: Paddy & Nora Quinn, Market St.
Dan & Eileen O’Connor, Clonroad.
Gerry Ryan, Stonepark, Barefield.MM

Sun 15th 8am: No Intention Booked.
9.30am: Martin & Mary Brooks, Castlewood Park.
11.30am: Anthony (Tony) Carey, Carmody St.
Nancy & Jack Fitzpatrick, Slaveen.
Fr. Francis Meehan, Summerhill & Shinrone.

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 open every day, Monday - Saturday between 12:00p.m. - 1:00p.m. for private prayer and an opportunity to light a candle. Tuesday Evening Private Eucharistic Adoration Prayer will continue as usual between 6:30p.m. - 7:00 p.m. For the moment, masses will continue to be held in private but can be viewed live on Facebook at the Cloughleigh Chríost Rí Oratory page and also on Fr. Ger Fitzgerald's page.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:
Sun 8th 11am: Mary & Tom Darcy, Castlerock, Tulla Rd.
Mon 9.30am: Mary Finlay, Willsgrove.
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Thu 9.30am: Annie Barry, Hermitage.
Fri 9.30am: Nancy & Bernard Murphy, Circular Rd.
Sun 15th 11am: Roger Knightson, Beechpark.
Nancy & Bernie Murphy, Circular Rd.

Parish & Friary Offices
Both Offices will be open this week from Monday to Friday. For out of hours service at the Friary please ring 087 4697971

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament



Monday to Friday from 5pm to 7pm in Cathedral

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: Eugene McNamara, Cloverhill & Claireen.
Sun 10am: Margaret & John Canny & Canny family, Cragmoher, Mikey McCabe, Tara, Co. Meath & Corofin.
Mon 10.30am: Helen, Tom & Mary Cassidy, Marian Ave.
Wed 10.30am: Bernadette Mounsey, Marian Ave.
Sat 10.30am: Deceased Persons with Cystic Fibrosis.
7pm: PJ, Maureen & Elaine Broderick, Clonroad.
Terry & Martin Barry, Clonroad.
Sun 10am: Ellen Lyons, Mountain View.
Patrick Fitzgerald, Kilrush Rd.
11.45: World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims.

We are unable this November to gather together to remember at the cemetery service. A prayer as you make your own visit.

Visiting a Graveyard

May perpetual light shine upon the faces of all who rest here.

May the lives they lived unfold further in spirit.

May all their past travail find ease in the kindness of clay.

May the remembering earth mind every memory they brought.

May the rains from the heavens fall gently upon them.

May the wildflowers and grasses whisper their wishes into light.

May we reverence the village of presence in the stillness of this silent field.



J O'Donohue.

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 1st November 2020
€2,947.00
Envelope Collection: **€2,465.00**
Online donations: **€482.00**

Lost

Prescription glasses with white rim lost on Monday 02/11/2020 between Dunnes Stores and Bank of Ireland. Please contact Margaret on 089 4812328 if found.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge a contribution of €300.00, €150.00, €100.00 & €50
All contributions for this work are very much appreciated.

Friary & Poor Clare Heating Fund Appeal

It is winter time again and both the Franciscan Friary and Poor Clare Sisters would appreciate your kind generosity for heating both the Friary and Poor Clare Monasteries. All contributions to the heating fund will be very much appreciated. Each year the Friars and Sisters depend on the generosity of the people and assure us all of a remembrance in their daily prayers.

Contributions can be left into the Friary, Poor Clares or the Parish Office marked "Friary & Poor Clare Heating Appeal". You can also donate online on the Parish Website using the donate button and noting that your contribution is for the heating fund of the Friars & Poor Clare's.

November Masses for the Holy Souls

During the month of November, Mass is offered each day for all on the November list of Remembrance. Names can still be submitted of those you would like remembered. Envelopes with lists are available in the Church Porch and the Parish Office.

November, a month of Prayer and Remembrance for our dead.

100 years Young

We congratulate parishioner Mary Vaughan who celebrated her 100th Birthday on 2nd November. Mary a native of Tulla, farmed all her life until her retirement when she came to live in our parish of Ennis. We wish her many many more years of health and happiness.

Rest in Peace



Theresa Corbett, Rylane, Tulla, mother of Mary, Micheál & Joe.;

David O'Connor, Silvergrove, Ballybeg;

Michael Griffin, Glenina;

Therese O'Brien nee Cronin, Ashfield Pk;

Johnny Kearney, uncle of Paschal

Kearney & Berry Crimmins, Ennis;

Maureen Daly, Birmingham, sister of the late Sean McMahon, Tulla Rd.;

Gerry Kenny, Old Gort Rd.;

Oliver Conway, Pine Grove, Ennis;

Pat O'Connor, Beechlaw, Tulla Rd., & O' Connor's Bakery;

Matt Talbot Shrine



A shrine to venerable Matt Talbot has been erected in the Cathedral.

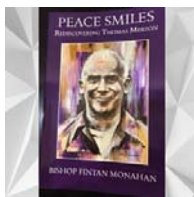
A specially commissioned picture telling the story of Matt's life of addiction, work, conversion and contentment was created by local artist Noreen Flynn.

Matt Talbot born in Dublin in 1856 struggled with alcohol addiction, poverty and destitution. Matt was able to turn his life around with the help of God, through prayer and work. Today he is on the road to canonisation and is regarded as a Patron for all struggling with a life of addiction.

The Shrine is located at the back of the Cathedral and Bishop Fintan has produced a three minute video that can be viewed on his youtube or on our parish website.

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Peace Smiles



Bishop Fintan's latest publication "Peace Smiles", rediscovering Trappist Monk, Thomas Merton will be launched by Veritas virtually next Thursday Evening at 7pm. Copies of this book can be purchased for €10 in the Parish Office. We congratulate Bishop Fintan on his latest publication and look forward to more books in time to come.

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.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Lá Fhéile Lorcán Naofa Uí Thuathail.

Ceiliúrtar Lá Fhéile Lorcán Naofa Uí Thuathail ar an 14 Samhna gach bliain. Rugadh é i gCaisleán Diarmada, i gCill Dara sa bhliain 1128. D'fhreastal sé ar scoil i nGleann Dá Loch. Buachaill cráifeach, staidéarach ab ea é. Rinneadh Ardeaspag ar Bhaile Átha Cliath é sa bhliain 1162 agus leath a chlú agus cáil mar naomh as ucht na bpionós a ghearradh sé air féin agus an grá a bhí aige do na boicht. Nuair a tháinig na Normannaigh go hÉirinn rinne sé gach iarracht ar chearta a thíre a chosaint. Bhí sé ar a shlí chun socrú síochána a dhéanamh le hAnraí 11 nuair a d'éirigh sé breoite sa Normainn agus fuair sé bás ann. Sa bhliain 1442 tógadh a chloigeann agus a chnámha go Sasana agus cuireadh i Chorley, Lancashire, iad, ach cailleadh iad in am Anraí VIII. Ní fhacthas ó shin iad. Is patrún e ar Bhaile Átha Cliath é.

Iarraimid air guí chun Dé a bheannacht a chur ar mhuintir na hÉireann agus ar mhuintir Bhaile Átha Cliath ach go háirithe. Naomh Lorcán guí ar ár son. Áiméan

The Feast of St. Laurence O 'Toole is celebrated on the 14 November. He attended school in Glendalough. As a young boy he was religious and studious. He became Archbishop of Dublin in 1162 and his fame as a saint spread because of his self-penance and love of the poor. When the Normans came to Ireland, he made every effort to defend the rights of his country. He was on his way to make a peace settlement with Henry 11 when he became ill in Normandy and died there. In 1492 his head and bones were buried in Chorley, Lancashire, but were lost during the reign of Henty V11.They have not been seen since. Saint Laurence is the patron saint of Dublin.

We ask him to intercede for God's blessing on the people of Ireland and in particular for the people of Dublin. Saint Laurence pray for us.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Let my prayer come in to your presence.
Incline your ear to my cry for help,
O Lord.

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 Wisdom

Ws 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her,
she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no
trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding
fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will
quickly leave you.
She herself walks about looking for those
who are worthy of her and graciously shows
herself to them as they go, in every thought
of theirs coming to meet them.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. For you my soul is thirsting,
O God, My God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
For you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
Like a dry, weary land without water. R.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
To see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
My lips will speak your praise R.

So I will bless you all my life
In your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
My mouth shall praise you with joy. R.

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
In the shadow of your wings I rejoice. R.

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians. 1 Thess 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers,
about those who have died, to make sure
that you do not grieve about them, like the
other people who have no hope. We
believe that Jesus died and rose again, and
that it will be the same for those who have
died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.
We can tell you this from the Lord's own
teaching, that any of us who are left alive
until the Lord's coming will not have any
advantage over those who have died. At
the trumpet of God, the voice of the
archangel will call out the command and
the Lord himself will come down from
heaven; those who have died in Christ will
be the first to rise, and then those of us
who are still alive will be taken up in the
clouds, together with them, to meet the
Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the
Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these
you should comfort one another.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Stay awake and stand ready,
Because you do not know the hour
When the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt 25:1-13

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The
kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten
bridesmaids took their lamps and went to
meet the bridegroom. Five of them were
foolish and five were sensible: the foolish
ones did take their lamps, but they brought
no oil, whereas the sensible ones took

flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The
bridegroom was late, and they all grew
drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight
there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here!
Go out and meet him." At this, all those
bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their
lamps, and the foolish ones said to the
sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil:
our lamps are going out." But they replied,
"There may not be enough for us and for
you; you had better go to those who sell it
and buy some for yourselves." They had
gone off to buy it when the bridegroom
arrived. Those who were ready went in
with him to the wedding hall and the door
was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived
later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the
door for us." But he replied, "I tell you
solemnly, I do not know you." So stay
awake, because you do not know either
the day or the hour.'

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 disciples recognised the Lord
Jesus in the breaking of bread.