

# ENNIS PARISH NEWSLETTER

## Mass Times

Cathedral-[www.ennisparish.com/webcam](http://www.ennisparish.com/webcam)

Radio link:106.4fm

Monday to Friday 7.40am, 11am & 7.30pm

Saturday 11am & Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday 8am, 9.30am & 11.30am

St. Joseph's-[www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/st-josephs-church-webcam](http://www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/st-josephs-church-webcam)

Monday to Friday 10.30am

Saturday 10.30am & Vigil 7pm

Sunday 10am & 11.45am

Friary-[www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/franciscan-friary-webcam/](http://www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/franciscan-friary-webcam/)

Monday to Saturday 10am

Vigil Mass Saturday 7.30pm

Sunday 10.30am

Christ the King Oratory Cloughleigh

Monday to Friday 9.30am

Sunday 11am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Cathedral & Friary

Cathedral: Monday to Friday 7pm to 7.25pm

Saturday after the Vigil Mass

Friary: Tuesday to Saturday 11-12 noon & 4-5pm

Baptisms

Can be booked through the Parish Office. A maximum of ten people can attend the ceremony.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** will take place

Monday to Friday in the Cathedral from 5pm until 7pm

Phone Numbers: Cathedral:- 6824043;

Email: [info@ennisparish.com](mailto:info@ennisparish.com)

St. Joseph's:- 6829584

Cloughleigh:- 6797489;

Friary:- 6828751

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

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

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 19th September, 2021.

## Our Lady of Mercy



When Catherine McAuley opened a house in Baggot St., Dublin on 24th September 1827, the feast of our Lady of Mercy to provide healthcare, her aim was to provide education and training to poor women and children. Her success led to a request from the Archbishop of Dublin to found a Religious

Community with the women who had begun to help her in Baggott Street. As a result Catherine and two companions professed their vows in 1831 and founded the Sisters of Mercy Congregation.

The first convent founded by the Sisters was in Tullamore, Co. Offaly followed by five more including one in Limerick. After a parish mission here in Ennis in 1853, the then parish priest Dean John Kenny, invited the Sisters in Limerick to come to Ennis and establish a convent, which opened on 29th May 1854 on the site of the present Temple Gate Hotel. As

the congregation expanded the Sisters in Ennis went on to establish communities in Spanish Point, Killaloe, Shannon, United States, Africa, Australia and New Zeland. In 1995 the Sisters moved to a new purpose built convent on Bothár na Trócaire to care for the Sisters in their twilight years.

167 years later Dean Kenny and all those who attended that parish mission here in Ennis in 1853, could not have imagined the fruits it would bear for generations of Ennis people. Sisters of Mercy endeavour to follow the example of Venerable Catherine McAuley in living their lives in the service of others, in union with Christ in prayer and in imitation of His own compassionate service of others in need of love and healing.

On Friday next the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy, Sisters of Mercy here in Ennis, throughout Ireland and worldwide will celebrate their Feast.

We ask God's blessings on the Sisters of Mercy and their associates and all who collaborate with them as they proclaim the Gospel Message to a very fragile world.

**Priest on Duty 19th September 2021**  
**Contact: Fr. Ger Jones 065 6869098**



**Cathedral**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**Sat: 6.30pm:** Johnny Butler, Marian Ave.  
 Dan & Mary O'Keeffe, Ardlea Rd.  
 John Joe, Kathleen, Sean & Maura Cullinan,  
 Cornmarket St,  
 Astrid Flynn, Corrovorrin Ave.  
 Michael McInerney, London & Ayle, Feakle.  
 Margaret McCarthy, Woodlawn, Lahinch Rd.  
**Sun 19th 8am:** Geoff Molyneaux, Manchester &  
 Kilnamona.  
**9.30am:** Neil, Eileen & Niall O'Sullivan, Greenpark.  
**11.30am:** Eileen Linnane, St. Flannan's Tce.  
 Martin & Frances Ronan, Dublin.  
 Nancy Shannon & Hewitt family, Hermitage.  
 Joan & Cyril Callinan, Deerpark, Kilmurry.  
 Kathleen McGovern, College View, Clare Rd.  
 Con Butler, "Roseville", Clonroad.  
**Mon: 7.40am:** Paddy Reidy, Golf Links Rd.  
**11am:** Anne Smyth, Roscommon.  
 Marissa McDonnell, Philippines & Cathedral Court.  
**7.30pm:** PJ & Mary Neylon, Lahinch.,  
**Tues: 7.40am** Book of Intentions.  
**11am:** Joan Dargan, Limerick Rd.  
**7.30pm:** PJ & Mary Neylon, Lahinch.  
 Patrick Donohoe, Ennis.  
**Wed 7.40am:** No intention booked.  
**11am:** No intention booked.  
**7.30pm:** Thomas Leahy, St. Michael's Villas. MM.  
 Dean Bowe, Davitt Tce.  
**Thurs 7.40am:** Margaret Foudy, Kilrush Rd;  
 Bridget O'Connor, Been, Inagh.  
**11am:** No intention booked.  
**7.30pm:** Nancy & Austin Mooney, Cornmarket St.  
**Fri 7.40am:** Mass for the People.  
**11am:** John Corey & Family, Loughville  
 James Patrick Bowe, Ard Aoibhinn, Limerick Rd. MM.  
 Bro. Basil Daly, Presentation Brothers, Cork.  
**7.30pm:** Jackie Browne, Ardlea Rd.  
**Sat: 11am:** First Holy Communion, Holy Family School.  
**6.30pm:** Pat Hynes, Clare Road.  
 John & Mary Griffin, Beechpark.  
 David King, Doora & William McCannon, Market St.  
**Sun 26th 8am:** Maisie & Jimmy Shaloo,  
 O'Callaghans Mills.  
**9.30am:** No intention booked.  
**11.30am:** Jason Wood, Connolly Villas.  
 Mary Burke, Park Ave, Clonroad.  
 Paul Hurson, Rosslea, Ennis. **1st Anniv**

**Newly Baptised**

*We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:*

**Anthony Pio Mongans.**  
**Cindy Chinecherem Aku**  
**Angelo Jakubiuk Horvath**  
**Iarla Mattie Murphy**  
**Oscar James Murphy.**



**Burren Weekend Retreat  
 24-26 September**

Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren? Experience the silence and beauty of this unique landscape through walking mindfully on ancient pathways or limestone pavements. Get to know some of the rare flora and appreciate our rich faith heritage in one of the many ancient sacred sites. Further information Noirin 087 945 9151 or Mary 087 970 1130

**Cathedral Renovation Appeal**  
 In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €300, €100, €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.

**Adoration  
 of the  
 Blessed Sacrament  
 in Cathedral**



Monday from 5pm to Friday to 7pm

Monday 8pm Conducted Eucharistic Adoration

**Making your Will**

Please remember Ennis Parish as a beneficiary in your will. Donations made in this manner will greatly assist the parish in proclaiming the Gospel. The parish appreciate such thoughtfulness and generosity.

**St. Joseph's**



**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**Sat 7pm:** Ann Fox & Pat McInerney, Corovorrin Green.  
**Sun 19th 10am:** Noel Carmody, Kincora Park.  
**11.45am:** Denis Waters, Tullycrine, Kilrush. MM.  
**Mon 10.30am:** Des & John O'Toole, Mayo.  
**Tues 10.30am:** Teresa Moloney, Marian Ave.  
**Wed 10.30am:** Carl Quinn, London.  
**Thurs 10.30am:** Mary McMahon & Anne Mullen, UK & Ennis.  
**Fri 10.30am:** Bridie & Desmond O'Toole, Mayo.  
**Sat 10.30am:** Bernard & Mary Woods, Summerhill.  
**7pm:** Maria Fox, Golf Links Rd.  
**Sun 26th 10am:** PJ O'Donnell, Ballyalla.

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**Please note the contact number for St. Joseph's has changed.**  
**Tel: 065 6829584**

If there are any parishioners who have a key for the locks in St. Joseph's Church that they no longer use please return to the sacristy or to Fr. David.

Work on the roof of St. Joseph's Church is about to commence soon and that will be followed by the ceilings and lights. Further updates will be given in due course.

**Rest in Peace**

**Rose Kenny**, Corrovorrin Grove;  
**George O' Mahoney**, Westbourne Court & late of Hermitage;  
**St. Teresina Mc Keogh**, St. Xavier's, Convent of Mercy, Bóthar na Trócaire;  
**Brian Connolly**, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, brother of Martina Foley, Shanaway Rd;  
**Mary Carey nee Loftus**, Carmody Street;  
**John Jo Coote**, Philippines, late of Hermitage  
**Frank Molony**, Dublin & O'Connell St.



*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.*

**Cloughleigh**

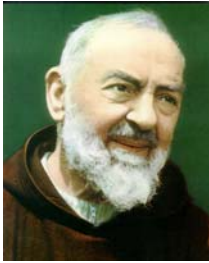
**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**Sun 19th 11am:** Summerly Family, Hermitage.  
**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.  
**Thu 9.30am:** No Mass today.  
**Confirmation, Scoil Christí Rí.**  
**Sun 26th 11am:** Michael & Patrick O'Brien,  
 Cloughleigh Rd.

Ennis Parish  
 Development Fund for  
 Sunday, 12th September, 2021  
 Fund **€2,679.00**  
 Online **€110.00**

### God will hear your prayer.

Padre Pio is well renowned as being a modern Saint of miraculous powers and the worker of many miracles. Here is a short story detailing the great God-given power of this saintly Capuchin friar.



Dr. Sanguinetti was a medical doctor, a convert to Catholicism and one of Padre Pio's most trusted friends. And the good doctor was witness to an astonishing miracle where a dead baby was brought back to life.

A devout mother had a six month old baby who was in such poor health that he was near death. She decided to take a long, difficult train ride to Padre Pio.

There was a risk in that the journey would be rough on her baby who would die by inches on the way, but so full of confidence was the mother in Padre Pio's intercessory powers with God, that she set off for San Giovanni Rotondo.

When the mother arrived at the church, she was clutching a wicker suitcase and joined the line of ladies who were waiting for Padre Pio to hear their confession.

Her baby was nowhere to be seen. She was in great distress and wailed loudly.

When it was her turn, she approached Padre Pio and opened the wicker suitcase, and confronted him with a dead baby swaddled in tattered old clothes.

The baby had perished on the way to San Giovanni and in desolation, the mother had hidden the baby's lifeless body in the suitcase, and pressed on, holding onto hope that Padre Pio would pray for a miracle.

Now, here she was, holding out her deceased child to Padre Pio. Pio was cut to the heart. He took the dead baby into his arms, lifted his eyes to heaven and prayed.

Some moments later, he handed the baby back to his mother, saying, "stop screaming, can't you see your baby is only sleeping?" The mother gazed at her baby and saw that he was breathing without difficulty and was sleeping peacefully. She cried tears of joy.

**Mass of St. Pio celebrated by Fr. Ailbe O'Murchú O.F.M. takes place on Thursday 23rd September, The Feast of St. Padre Pio at 7:30pm in Ennis Friary.**

*Pray, hope and don't worry. Worry is useless. God is merciful and will hear your prayer.*

### Our Parish Columbarium

Construction began on the new Columbarium in the Mortuary Chapel of the Cathedral. If you are interested in reserving a niche. Please contact Joseph O'Neill on 085 214 8301 or [joseph@eternumcolumbarium.com](mailto:joseph@eternumcolumbarium.com), alternatively speak with Fr. Tom

### St. Michael's Holy Well



Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick on Wednesday 29th September at 6.30pm. Pilgrims gather at 6pm at the top of the farmers' access road next to N18 Bypass Bridge, Quin Road, Ennis, for onward pilgrim walk to St. Michael's Holy Well, Kilbreckan. Join us in the footsteps of our ancestors on this ancient pilgrim path. Please wear a face mask during mass and abide by Covid restrictions. All welcome.

### Feast of Our Lady of Mercy

On Friday, we celebrate Mercy Day. Our parish is blessed with a strong Mercy Presence and we thank all the sisters for witnessing to the gospel in our parish.



### Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year Award 2021



The search is on again to recognise those who give their time, energy and skills to help others in the local community. For nomination forms for the Clare Older People's Volunteer of the Year Award 2021 please contact Helen on

(065) 6846240

email: [hmoloney@clarecoco.ie](mailto:hmoloney@clarecoco.ie)

Closing date for receipt of nomination forms is Friday 1st October.



**New book from Clare Roots Society:** Old Mill Street (Including Cornmarket, Considine's Terrace and Old Cloughleigh) by Gerry Woods in conjunction with Clare Roots Society is now on sale. The book is a collection of articles, poetry, sport, maps and photographs. Available at Ennis Book Shop, Mary Kelly's Newsagents, O'Connor's Newsagents for €20. All proceeds go to Clare Roots Society towards the cost of publication.

### Free Smartphone classes:

Contact one of Clare Library's Participating Branches to avail of free smartphone classes and become more familiar with installing apps, using Zoom and sending emails. Classes are starting from the 27th Sept. Contact one of these branches to book your place: De Valera Library, Ennis. 065 6846353, or 065 6891317  
Ennistymon Library. 065 7071245  
Kilkee Library, 065 9056034  
Scariff Library, 061 922893

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Naomh Maitiú.

Duine d'Aspal Íosa ab ea Naomh Maitiú agus ceiliúrtar a lá Fhéile ar 21 Meán Fómhair. Bailitheoir cánach ab ea é. Bhí drochmheas ag na Giúdaigh ar bhailitheoirí cánach. Cuid dá aicme a bhíodh ag bailiú cánacha do na Rómhánaigh nó do Héaród. Nuair a chas Íosa ar Mhaitiú dúirt sé leis "lean mise".

Scríobh sé a Shoiscéal as Aramaic dá mhuintir féin na Giúdaigh chun a chruthú dóibh gurbh é Íosa as Nasaireit an Messiah ar labhair na fáithe faoi sa Sean -Tiomna. Luann sé mar sin ina Shoiscéal a lán de na tairngreachtaí úd i dtaobh an Messiah agus léiríonn sé mar a chomhlíonadh ina n-íomlán iad in Íosa. D'fhulaing Naomh Maitiú géarleanúint agus anbhás go háthasach ar son Íosa. Naomh Maitiú guigh orainn inniu. Áiméan

Ceiliúrfar Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire, Meán Fómhair 24. Lá mór comóraidh is ea é do Shiúracha na Trócaire in Éirinn agus ar fud an domhain. Guímis ar a son agus iad ag saothrú agus ag moladh Dé lá i ndiaidh lae. Guimis freisin ar son a gcomhpháirtithe agus aon duine a bhí bainteach riamh le Siúracha na Trócaire. Go raibh siad dílis dá ngairm. Go raibh an neart, an t-eolas agus an grásta ó Dhia acu iad siúd atá faoina gcúram a threorú mar is ceart agus is cóir. Áiméan

St. Matthew was one of the Apostles and his feast day is celebrated 21 September. Matthew was a tax collector. The Jews despised those who collected taxes for the Romans or for Herod. When Jesus met Matthew, he said to him "follow me".

Matthew wrote his Gospel in Aramaic for his own people, the Jews, to prove to them that Jesus of Nazareth was the Messiah whom the prophets foretold in the Old Testament. He shows how the prophesy was fulfilled in Jesus. Matthew followed Jesus and suffered torture and death willingly for the sake of Jesus. St Matthew pray for us today. Amen.

The feast of Our Lady of Mercy is celebrated on 24 September. It is a great day of celebrations for Sisters of Mercy in Ireland and all over the world. We pray for them and for all those associated with them that they may be faithful to their calling. Lord may they receive strength and knowledge to guide those in their care in the way of justice and right. Amen.

**Sleeping St. Joseph Statues** now available in the Parish Office. Also a selection of First Holy Communion, Confirmation Gifts and many other religious items.



# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for 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, 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 2:12.17-20**

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing.

Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have.

If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies.

Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof.

Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

**The Word of the Lord**

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Response: The Lord upholds my life.*

O God, save me by your name;

By your power, uphold my cause.

O God, hear my prayer;

Listen to the words of my mouth. **R**

For proud men have risen against me,

Ruthless men seek my life.

They have no regard for God. **R**

But I have God for my help.

The Lord upholds my life.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart

And praise your name for it is good. **R**

## A reading from the letter of St. James.

**Jm 3:16-4:3**

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

**The word of the Lord**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord,*

*Anyone who follows me*

*Will have the light of life.*

*Alleluia!*

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

**Mk 9:30-37**

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they

will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

## 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

**I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord;**

**I know my sheep, and mine know me.**