

ENNIS PARISH NEWSLETTER

Mass Times

Cathedral-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

Monday to Friday 10.30am

Saturday 10.30am & Vigil 7pm

Sunday 10am & 11.45am

Friary-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

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Email: info@ennisparish.com

St. Joseph's:- 6829584

Cloughleigh:- 6797489;

Friary - 6828751

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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) 16th JANUARY, 2022.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is traditionally observed from the **18th to the 25th January**-the octave of St Peter and St Paul.

The story of the Magi visiting the Holy Family in Bethlehem have sometimes been seen as a symbol of the world's diversity-different religions and cultures- that comes to pay homage to the Christ-child. The story might therefore represent the unity of all created that God desires.

The prayer and theme '*We saw His Star in the East*' for Christian Unity week 2022 has been prepared by the churches of the Middle East, the history of which was, and still is, characterised by conflict and strife, tainted with blood and darkened by injustice and oppression.

It was in the Middle East that the Word of God took root and bore fruit; and it was from this East that the apostles set out to preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Yet now, the very existence of the small Christian community is threatened as many are driven to seek a secure life elsewhere. Like the light which is the child Jesus, the light of Middle Eastern Christianity is increasingly threatened in these difficult times.

Christians of the Middle East are conscious that the world shares many, of the travails and difficulties that it experiences, and yearns for a light to lead the way to the saviour-the light that overcomes darkness.

Serving the Gospel requires commitment to the human being, the poorest, the weakest and those marginalised. It requires from the churches transparency and accountability in dealing with the world, and with each other.

May we work together, to provide relief to the afflicted, to welcome the displaced, to relieve their burden, to build a just and honest society so that human beings can experience life, peace, justice and love.

'We saw His Star in the East'



Priest on Duty 16th January, 2022
Fr. Pat Malone - 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

- 6.30pm:** Barry O'Halloran, Limerick Rd. **1st Anniv.**
 Christina Griffin, Parnell St.
 Tony Shannon, Clancy Park.
 Humphrey Counihan, Fergus Lawn.
 Patrick McMahon, Carmody St.
 Bodie & Bill Hanley, Parnell St.
- Sun 16th 8am:** James Sheedy, Greendale, Clonroad,
9.30am: Delia & James Armstrong, Cahercalla.
 Peter & William Fallon, Roscommon.
 Tom Kelly, College Rd.
 Philomena Barrow, Drumcliffe.
 DJ Lynch, Kilmaley.
- 11.30am:** Kazimir Bielasiwicz, Poland. **1st Anniv.**
 Dominic (Donny) Martin, Morrissey Ave.
 Louis Galvin, Ennis.
 Patrick Lyons, Avondale.
- Mon: 7.40am:** No intention booked.
11am: Patrick Lyons, Avondale, Kilrush Rd.
7.30pm: Henry McMullan, McNamara Park. **1st Anniv.**
- Tues: 7.40am:** Book of Intentions.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Tony McEnery, Dalcassian Park.
Wed 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: PJ & Mary Neylon, Lahinch.
Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Bridie, Michael & John Moroney,
 McNamara Park.
 Seán & Paddy Moroney, Erinagh, Fountain.
- Fri 7.40am:** Mass for the People.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Kathleen Sorce, Cappamore, Barefield.
 Helen & Michael Coffey, Hermitage.
 Róisín & Baby Helena McMahon, Doolin.
- Sat 11am:** Stephen Meaney, Greenpark. **1st Anniv.**
 John & Eileen Dinan, Cahercalla Heights
 & St. Flannan's Tce.
 Michael Kelly, Inch & Hogan Family,
 St. Michael's Villas.
 Alfie McDonagh, Station View.
 Paul Dilleen, Shanaway Rd.
- 6.30pm:** Vera Wall, Inchbeg. **1st Anniv.**
 James Cox, Dalcassian Ave.
 Frances Ball, Connolly Villas.
 Carmel Nestor, Golf Links Rd.
 Ena Whelan, Fountain.
- Sun 23rd 8am:** Susan Crowley (nee Callinan),
 Tullabrack.
9.30am: Pauline Horgan, Tobartaoscaín.
11.30am: Bridget Frawley, Woodlawn. **1st Anniv.**
 Mary Gallery, Rockmount. **1st Anniv.**
 Catherine Boland, Clonroad. **1st Anniv.**
 Thomas Talty, Kilnamona & Turnpike Rd.
 Marie Hogan, Shanaway Rd.
 Peadar O'Brien, St. Michael's Villas.
 Michael O'Donohue, Edenvale.

Christian Unity



The week of prayer for Christian Unity is an international Christian Ecumenical observance kept annually between 18th January and 25th January. It is an octave, that is an observance lasting eight days. This year the theme chosen by the Christian communities in the Middle East is 'We Saw his Star in the East'. The story of the Magi visiting the Holy Family in Bethlehem is one very familiar to us. The Magi have sometimes been seen as a symbol of the world's diversity - different religions and cultures that come to pay homage to the Christ Child.

A Prayer for Guidance



Jesus, light of the world.
 When I am afraid and unsure,
 comfort me
 with the light of Your presence.
 When loneliness chills me,
 warm me
 with the light of Your love.
 When the road ahead seems
 dark, guide me
 with the light of Your way.

When I don't understand and my
 thoughts are unclear,
 fill me
 with the light of Your wisdom.
 When I seem spent
 like a candle consumed,
 replenish me with the light of
 Your life.

Then, so filled with Your light,
 use me,
 so that I, with You, may be light
 for the world.

St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

- Sat 7pm** Mary O'Keeffe, Drumcliffe Rd.
1st Anniv.
 Ann O'Connor, Corrovorrin Grove.
- Sun 16th 10am:** Annie, Peter & Anne Barry & Barry
 family, Ard Mhuire, Shanaway Rd.
- 11.45am:** Peter Burke, Lifford Rd.
- Mon 10.30am:** John Downes, Marian Avenue &
 John Sheehan, Hazelgrove, Ruan.
- Wed 10.30am:** Cyril Courtney, Sandfield, Ruan &
 Clooney.
 Margaret Holmes, Oakpark.
- Sat: 7pm:** Vicky Keane, Corrovorrin Drive.
 Brid Madigan, Ivy Hill.
- Sun 23rd 10am:** William & Mary Lynch, Corrovorrin.
11.45: Kathleen Scanlon, Fergus Manor. MM.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €10, €50 x 3, €100, €240, €1,000. We also acknowledge a further €242 received for the appeal as part of the Christmas Tea Bag appeal. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

Rest in Peace



- Austin Smith, Ballymacahill.**
Mary Keane, Considine's Road.
John L. Hassett, Quin,
 brother of Jim Hassett, Cahercalla.
Dolly Colleran, Quin.
Mary Chesser, Glenina.
Marie O'Reilly, late of Parnell Street.
Mary Foster, Limerick,
 sister of Flan & Noel Howard.

Clare Roots Society Meeting

Thursday, 20th January 2022

@ 8 pm
Online via ZOOM

The link can be sourced from the
 Clare Roots Society
 webpage www.clareroots.org



Ennis Parish
 Development Fund
 for Sunday,

Fund **€3,306**
 Online **€176**

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

- Fri 9.30am:** Special Intention.
Sun 23rd 11am: Fergal Landy, Considine's Rd.
 John Monahan, John Paul Ave. **1st Anniv.**

School Retreats
available at Knock Shrine

We are delighted to announce that the Youth Ministry at Knock Shrine will resume school retreats throughout 2022. School retreats are available to both primary and secondary schools and offer students a meaningful, spiritually uplifting day to reflect within themselves and experience quality time with their fellow students.

Retreat programmes are flexible and can be tailored to suit your group's needs or time limitations. If you would like to plan a school retreat, please get in touch with a member of our Youth Ministry team:

T: (094) 93 75321 E: youthministry@knockshrine.ie or find out more at www.knockshrine.ie/news



Primary School Enrolment for the
School Year 2022 – 2023 Ennis Parish
Schools' Agreed Application System

Parents/Guardians wishing to enrol their children into Junior Infants (2nd Class in the Holy Family Senior School) are advised that application forms are available from each school on their websites or by email request. The closing date for receipt of completed Application Forms is **Thursday 3rd February**. The agreed system operates for the following Ennis Parish Schools:

- Gaelscoil Mhicil Cíosóg
- Ennis National School
- Holy Family Junior School
- Holy Family Senior School
- Scoil Chríost Rí
- CBS Primary School.

Completed application forms to be returned to the school online or by post

Newly Baptised

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

Nicole Grace Crowley



FCJ Spirituality House, Spanish Point.
January – Join us online for meditation, stargazing, poetry, centering prayer (Christian meditation) and reflections on love!

February – Join us in person to make St Brigid's Crosses, to celebrate St Brigid, for a Spring Circle Dance, Introduction to Somatics or for Movie nights by the Sea.

All the details are online at <https://www.eventbrite.ie/o/fcj-spirituality-house-spanish-point-35764429733> or call 087 447 9115. Many courses are free, any paid courses have a suggested donation, but give as you are able, please.

Free Online English Conversation
Classes

Faite Isteach is running online weekly English conversation classes starting **Monday 10th January, 7.45- 9pm**

Students can join at any stage. These classes are for County Clare residents only.

All levels are welcome. Learners will get to practise their spoken English and meet new people in small groups, with two tutors.

For anyone interested please contact: clarechat21@gmail.com

Now Enrolling

Fully Funded Adult Knitting and Crochet classes commencing January 2022 at the Ennis College of Further Education and Training, Ennis Campus. No experience necessary.

Fully Funded Adult Water Colour Painting and Drawing classes commencing January 2022 at the Ennis College of Further Education and Training, Ennis Campus. No experience necessary.

Clarecastle: Fully Funded Adult Horticulture classes commencing in Clarecastle Community Garden, Clarecastle GAA Grounds, Ballaghafadda East, Co Clare in January on Wednesdays from 10am to 11.30 for 9 weeks. To book a place or for more information contact 065 6897654/086 0752014 or email antoinette.houlihan@lcebt.ie

The Annual West Clare Mini Marathon takes place on 29th & 30th January and will be a virtual event. You can register online at westclarecancercenter.ie €20 per person. All funds raised go towards the provision of Cancer Care Services for the people of West Clare. Contact us on 0659060762 or 0872699184. Our centre in Corry Lane, Kilkee, is open Monday to Friday 11am to 2pm.

"Keep something beautiful in your heart to survive difficult times and enjoy good times"



Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Aontacht na gCríostaithe.

Tá seachtain ar leith – 18ú go 25ú Eanáir – leagtha amach ag Eaglaisí Críostaí ar fud an domhain chun guí ar son Aontachta Críostaí. Is é an téama do 2022 ná "Mar chonaiceamar a réalta ag éirí agus thángamar ag déanamh ómóis dó" (Maitiú 2 : 2). Tá sé de dhuailgas orainn go léir guí ar son aontachta na bpobal Críostaí chun misean Dé a chomhlíonadh. Guímis, mar a dúirt Críost an oíche roimh a bhás, "ionas go mba aon iad go léir, faoi mar atá tusa, a Athair, ionamsa agus mise ionatsa; go mbeidís seo ina n-aon ionainn i dtreo go gcreidfidh an saol gur chuir tú uait mé." (Eoin17:21).

Tharla dhá mhórscoilte in Eaglais Chríost. Sa bhliain 1054 scar Eaglais an Oirthir i gConstantinople ón Eaglais sa Róimh agus tugadh Eaglais Cheartchreidmheach an Oirthir Ceartchreidmhaigh orthu. Tharla scoilt san Eoraip sa 16ú haois agus is as sin a d'fhás na hEaglaisí Protastúnach ina measc an Eaglais Liútarach, an Eaglais Chailvíneach agus an Eaglais Anglacánach. Le breis is céad bliain anuas tá na heaglaisí ag iarraidh na scoilteanna seo a leigheas. Tugtar Éacuiméineachas ar an iarracht sin. Is paidir ar son Aontachta Críostaí í seo:

*A Athair an ghrá,
a ghlaigh sinn chun combhráithreachais le do mhac, agus a cheap sinn le bheith inár bhfinnéithe don soiscéal.*

*Trí ghrásta do Spioraid,
cuir ar ár gcumas na deighiltí a shárú,
agus féach chuige go bhfanfaimid daingean,
agus go mbeidh ár gcuid áthais iomlán.
Guímid leis seo trinár dTiarna Iosa Críost,
Áiméan.*

The week of prayer for Christian Unity is kept throughout the world each year from 18- 25 January. The theme for 2022 is: "We saw the star in the east and came to worship Him," Matthew 2:2. We are obliged to pray for unity among Christians so that the mission of Christ will be fulfilled. Let us pray as Jesus asked us on the night before He died, "May they all be one, Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me, and I am in you so the world may believe it was you who sent me" (John 17:21).

Two major splits occurred in the Church of Christ. In 1014 the Eastern Church in Constantinople separated from the Church in Rome and became the Orthodox Church. In the 16th century in Europe there was a schism and the Protestant Churches, Lutheran, Calvinistic and Anglican among others were established. For over a century the unity of the churches is sought. This is called Ecumenism.

The following is a prayer for Church Unity: *Father of love you have called us to confraternity with your Son and to be witnesses to the gospel.*

Through the grace of the Holy Spirit enable us to overcome divisions and remain steadfast that our joy may be complete.

We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God,
and shall sing to you
shall sing to your name, O Most High!

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 prophet Isaiah

Is 62:1-5

About Zion I will not be silent,
about Jerusalem I will not grow weary,
until her integrity shines out like the dawn
and her salvation flames like a torch.
The nations then will see your integrity,
all the kings your glory,
and you will be called by a new name,
one which the mouth of the Lord will confer.
You are to be a crown of splendour in the hand
of the Lord,
a princely diadem in the hand of your God;
no longer are you to be named 'Forsaken',
nor your land 'Abandoned',
but you shall be called 'My Delight'
and your land 'The Wedded'
for the Lord takes delight in you
and your land will have its wedding.
Like a young man marrying a virgin,
so will the one who built you wed you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices in his bride,
So will your God rejoice in you.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

*Proclaim the wonders of the Lord
Among all the peoples.*

O sing a new song to the Lord,
Sing to the Lord all the earth.
O sing to the Lord, bless his name.

R

Proclaim his help day by day,
Tell among the nations his glory
And his wonders among all the peoples.

R

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
Give the Lord glory and power,
Give the Lord the glory of his name.

R

Worship the Lord in his temple.

O earth, tremble before him.

Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king'.

He will judge the peoples in fairness.

R

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

1 Co 12:4-11

There is a variety of gifts but always the same
Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done,
but always to the same Lord; working in all
sorts of different ways in different people, it is
the same God who is working in all of them.
The particular way in which the Spirit is given to
each person is for a good purpose. One may
have the gift of preaching with wisdom given
him by the Spirit; another may have the gift of
preaching instruction given him by the same
Spirit; and another the gift of faith given by the
same Spirit; another again the gift of healing,
through this one Spirit; one, the power of
miracles; another, prophecy; another the gift of
recognising spirits; another the gift of tongues
and another the ability to interpret them. All
these are the work of one and the same Spirit,
who distributes different gifts to different people
just as he chooses.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord,

And they are life:

You have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jn 2:1-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee. The
mother of Jesus was there, and Jesus and his
disciples had also been invited. When they ran
out of wine, since the wine provided for the
wedding was all finished, the mother of Jesus
said to him, 'They have no wine'.

Jesus said, 'Woman, why turn to me? My
hour has not come yet.' His mother said to
the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.'
There were six stone water jars standing
there, meant for the ablutions that are
customary among the Jews: each could
hold twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to
the servants. 'Fill the jars with water,' and
they filled them to the brim. 'Draw some out
now' he told them 'and take it to the
steward.' They did this; the steward tasted
the water, and it had turned into wine.
Having no idea where it came from - only
the servants who had drawn the water knew
- the steward called the bridegroom and
said, 'People generally serve the best wine
first, and keep the cheaper sort till the
guests have had plenty to drink; but you
have kept the best wine till now.'

This was the first of the signs given by
Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee. He
let his glory be seen, and his disciples
believed in him.

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 Scrip-
tures. 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 spo-
ken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic
Church. I confess one Baptism for the for-
giveness of sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead and the life of the
world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon

You have prepared a table before me,
and how precious is the chalice that
quenches my thirst.