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Monday to Friday 7.40am, 11am & 7.30pm

Saturday 11am & Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday 8am, 9.30am & 11.30am

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Monday to Friday 10.30am

Saturday 10.30am & Vigil 7pm

Sunday 10am & 11.45am

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

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Monday to Saturday 10am

Vigil Mass Saturday 7.30pm

Sunday 10.30am

Poor Clare Monastery

Daily Mass at 7.45am

Christ the King Oratory Cloughleigh

Monday to Friday 9.30am

Sunday 11am

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.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place

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

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## EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) 27th FEBRUARY, 2022.

### Lent- A time to Repent

We approach the season of Lent and for many the old habit kicks in, *'what will I give up this year?'* Others will say that this year they will do something extra as part of their Lenten journey. Either is good of course but what we have to try and keep in mind is the 'why' of what we decide to do. Is it about ourselves or is it about making space for God in our lives?

**The call during Lent is to repent – true repentance is not just a single simple act but a change of mind, heart and soul.** Can we see what the plank is in our own eye in order to make this act of repentance? We may be caught up with our familiar rituals and so are unable to give ourselves the time and space we really need so that we can fully experience the joy of repentance, the joy of God's mercy.

**Lent is indeed a time that can be used for this reflection and part of that is the Sacrament of Reconciliation.** What do you think about when you think of this Sacrament? We have called it the Sacrament of Penance, of Confession – it's focus on that list of sins, perhaps the same ones over and over and so we don't bother as there's no change coming in us. Could we use this Lent as a time to change our thinking about this Sacrament?

Pope Francis spoke about Reconciliation in 2019 and asked those listening to him *"are sins really the focus of confession? Does God want you to approach Him by thinking about you, your sins, or about Him?"*



The Christian way, the way of Lent and repentance begins with taking a step backwards, removing ourselves from the centre and making room for God. So that, as Pope Francis said, at the centre of the act of confession and reconciliation is the *'encounter with God who welcomes, embraces, forgives, raises up.'* It is a chance to experience not humility, not condemnation, but *'to receive the Father's embrace'.*

**During this Lent, we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation and you are invited to prepare to know the celebration and joy of God's mercy.**

**Priest on Duty 27th February 2022**  
**Fr. Ger Jones 065 6869098**



**Cathedral**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**6.30pm:** Mary Pickford, Drumbiggie Rd. **1st Anniv.**  
 Michael Sheedy, Avondale, Kilrush Rd. **MM**  
 Seán **1st Anniv.** & Lorraine Cooley, Dalcassian Ave.  
 Marion Sheill, Friars' Close.  
 James Casey, Bastion Quay, Athlone.  
 Ailish O'Dwyer McNamara, Bodyke.  
 Frank Lillis, Beechpark.

**Sun 27th 8am:** No intention booked.

**9.30am:** No intention booked.

**11.30am:** Lily Cusack, Parnell St;  
 Mary Cleere, Tubber;  
 George & Margaret McMahon, St. Michael's Villas.  
 Simon O'Donnell, Kilrush Rd.  
 Jim Burke, Park Ave.  
 Donal Ryan, Cusack Rd.  
 Joan Petty, Dublin.

**Mon: 7.40am:** Special Intention.

**11am:** Special Intention.

**7.30pm:** Moloney Family, Steele's Tce.

Michael Kelly, Beechpark.  
 Mary Griffin, Blanchardstown, Dublin. **1st Anniv**

**Tues:7.40am** Book of Intentions.

**11am:** Thomas & Catherine Kearney, Summerhill.

Michael & Maureen Rice, Summerhill.

Mae & Patricia Torpey, Mullagh.

John Flemming & John Guion, Marian Ave.

**7.30pm:** Tom & Ena Hogan, Ballymaley, Gort Rd.

**Wed 7.40am:** Fr. Francis Meehan, Summerhill.

**11am:** Mike Archer, The Park, Quin.

**7.30pm:** Holy Souls.

**Thurs 7.40am:** Holy Souls.

**11am:** Philip Smyth, Roscommon.

**7.30pm:** Brian McMahon, Lissycasey.

**Fri 7.40am:** Mass for the People.

**11am:** Holy Souls.

**7.30pm:** Gerard Dilger, Hermitage & Kentucky.

**Sat:11am:** Mary Meaney, Greenpark.

Paddy Haren, Summerhill & Kilmaley. **1st Anniv**

Annie & Jack Moloney, Hermitage.

**6.30pm:** Moira Coffey, Claureen Drive.

McNamara family, Ard na Greine.

Frank McMahon, Drumcaranmore, Loughville.

Brassil family, Ennis & Kilrush.

Paddy Brennan, O'Connell St.

John O'Sullivan, Fountain.

Michael McGuane, Corofin.

**Sun 6th 8am:** Tom Burke, Kilmorane.

**9.30am:** Evelyn & Gerard Moloney, Dalcassian Ave.

**11.30am:** Mgt Hayes, Clonroad.

Brendan & Kitty Casey, Monument House,

O'Connell Sq.

Fay, Margaret & William Campion, Banllinakill,

Co. Laois.

James & Mary McMahon, Summerhill.

**Cloughleigh**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**Sun 27th 11am:** Lucille Hayes, Pearse Ave,  
 Cloughleigh & Bridge Court.

Kitty McDermott, Cloughleigh Rd.

**Mon 9.30am:** Margaret Vaughan, Kilfenora.

**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.

**Wed 9.30am:** Special Intention.

**Sun 6th 11am:** Holy Souls



**Newly Baptised**

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

**Liam Denis Healy;**  
**Grace Sophia Donnellan**



**Cathedral**

**Renovation Appeal**

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €100, €50, €10. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

**First Friday of March**

Friday next 4th March is the First Friday.

If you know of any housebound parishioners who would like to receive the sacraments, please contact the Parish Office.

**Positive Ageing**

DeValera Library, Ennis will host a talk on Wellbeing in Older Adulthood on Tues. 8th March at 11a.m. Admission is free. For further information or to book a place, contact:

[devalera@clarelibrary.ie](mailto:devalera@clarelibrary.ie)

or 065-6846353.

**Annual Matt Talbot**

**Novena**

Ash Wednesday, 2nd March at 7:00PM in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Bishop Fintan Monahan will open the Novena. We are very happy for the return of this long-standing Lenten tradition in Tulla and invite you to join us for some or all of the celebrations. Bishop Fintan will bless and distribute the ashes on Ash Wednesday.

**St. Joseph's**



**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**7pm:** Anna Casey, Marian Ave.  
 William Moloney, Clarecastle & Boston. **MM.**  
**Sun 27th 10am:** Monica Howard, Ennis.  
**11.45am:** Deirdre Tynan, St. Senan's Rd. **MM**  
**Mon 10.30am:** Kathleen Reilly, Corrovorrin Crescent.  
**Tues 10.30am:** No Intention Booked  
**Wed 10.30am:** Bridget Rooney, London & Charlestown.  
**Thu 10.30am:** No Intention Booked  
**Fri 10.30am:** No Intention Booked  
**Sat 10.30am:** Matt O'Connor, New Rd.  
**7pm:** No Intention Booked  
**Sun 6th 10am:** No Intention Booked  
**11.45am:** Mary Curtin, Willow Pk.  
 Maureen Fox, Roslevan. **1st Anniv**  
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**Meeting Room for Hire**

The meeting room at St Joseph's Presbytery is now available for hire; it is suitable for small groups. Enquiries and bookings can be made at the Parish Office 065 6824043

**Gaeilge**

During the month of March, we are embracing the Irish Language in our own liturgies. This week we publish the Our Father and the greeting in Irish.

"The Lord be with you"

"Go raibh an Tiarna libh"

"And with your spirit"

"Agus le do spiorad féin"

**An Phaidir (Our Father)**

Ar nAthair atá ar neamh,

go naofar d'ainm,

go dtaga do riocht,

go ndéantar do thoil ar an talamh

mar a dhéantar ar neamh.

Ar n-arán laethúil tabhair dúinn inniu

agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha

mar a mhaithimidne dár bhféichiúna féin

agus ná lig sinn I gcathú,

ach sar sinn ó olc.

Amen

**RIP**

John O'Halloran, Cahercalla Hill & formerly Kilrush;

Seamus (Shamie) Murphy, Kincora Pk.;

Mary Brannigan, Monasterboice, Drogheda, sister of James O'Grady, College Pk.;

Patricia (Doris) Tuohy nee Molloy, Considine Rd.;

Nancy Cunningham, St. Michael's Villas.

Noel Baker, Athlone, Co. Westmeath, brother of Eamon Baker, Hermitage.

Sean Neylon, Kilkee, brother of Ger Naughton, Inis Grove



## Temperance Sunday

This Sunday is known as Temperance Sunday. We as a Christian Community join in prayer for those who are affected by addiction to drugs and alcohol. We pray also for a change of heart among those who have the power and the resources to tackle this problem so that they will treat it with the priority it deserves and requires.

## Shrove Tuesday

Also known as Pancake Tuesday is the day before Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. It is celebrated throughout Ireland by the cooking and eating of pancakes, a last feast before the fasting and self denial of Lent.

## Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday 2nd March is the start of Lent, when we are invited for forty days to set aside more time for prayer and fasting in preparation for Easter. The Ashes, made in the sign of the cross on our foreheads on this day, are an outward sign of our inward sorrow for our sins and of our commitment to Jesus as Our Lord and Saviour.

Ash Wednesday is one of two days in the year in which we are asked to observe as a day of Fast and Abstinence.

Ashes will be distributed at all masses on Wednesday.

## Trócaire Boxes

**Trócaire**  
Working for a just world.

Your 2022 Trócaire Boxes are available in all our church porches or you can pick up a box in the Parish Office. Climate change and Covid are hurting loving families and its not JUST. Please help this Lent. Every cent and euro makes life better for those most in need.

## My Lenten Prayer

*Lord Jesus,  
Be with me,  
As I try  
to keep my promise  
And help me  
to be more like  
you everyday.  
Amen*

## EBCF Laudato Si Book Club Meeting

*Online Thursday Evenings 7 - 8.15pm  
In person during Festival March 4-6*

It's an opportunity for the dialogue that Pope Francis appealed for. Contact Bridget at 086 2444512

or [info@ennisbookclubfestival.com](mailto:info@ennisbookclubfestival.com)

to sign up or for more information.

**Mtg 3 - March 5 - chapter 3  
in person meeting at Festival  
(11:30am)**

**Mtg 4 - March 10 - chapter 4  
Mtg 5 - March 24 - chapter 5  
Mtg 6 - April 7 - chapter 6**

## Lent 2022



## Daily Mass

7.40am Cathedral  
7.45am Poor Clare Monastery  
9.30am Cloughleigh Oratory  
10am Friary  
10.30am St. Joseph's Church  
11am Cathedral  
7.30pm Cathedral

## Morning Prayer

Monday to Friday 7.30am Cathedral.

## Night Prayer

Beginning on Ash Wednesday at 10pm on Tulla Parish facebook with Fr. Brendan Quinlivan

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday to Friday 5pm to 7pm in the Cathedral.

## Stations of the Cross

After 7.30pm Mass on Friday's of Lent.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

### Cathedral:

Monday to Friday 7pm—7.25pm

After Vigil Mass on Saturday

### Friary:

Tuesday to Saturday

11am to 12noon, 4pm to 5pm

## Late Opening for Lent

The Cathedral will remain open until 10pm each Monday of Lent. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after mass with Night Prayer at 9.50pm.

A Priest will be available in the Cathedral for Confessions, a Chat or a Blessing.

## The Season of Lent

Facts about Lent

- Lent is a time when Christian people get ready for Easter.
- Lent is a sacred time within the Church Calendar. It is a time of fasting, prayer and almsgiving.
- Lent lasts for forty days, reminding us of the forty days that Jesus spent in the desert doing penance and fasting. It begins on Ash Wednesday 2nd March and finishes at Sunset on Holy Thursday. We don't count Sundays in the forty days because Sundays are days of celebration in the Church Calendar.
- Purple vestments are worn by the Priests and Deacon during Lent.
- Lent comes from the word "Lente" which means springtime.
- Many people promise to do something during Lent to help them to be more like Jesus. Sometimes they give up something they like, they fast. Other people promise to do something like being kinder, going to mass, saying prayers or put money in the Trócaire Box to remind them to help others who are not as lucky as they are.
- What we do during Lent helps us to get ready for Easter.

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

### Mí an Mháirta

Cuirimid fáilte roimh Mhí an Mháirta, mí an fheirmeora, mí na sailchuaiche, mí na hathbheochana. I mí an Mháirta bí linn a Thiarna. Is iad intinní an Phápa don mhí seo: Guímid ar son Chríostaithe atá ag streachailt le dúshlán bitheiteiciúil; go gcosnaí siad i gcónaí dínit bheatha an duine trí phaidreoireacht agus ghníomh.

An Chéadaoin seo chugainn Céadaoin an Luaithrigh, an chéad lá den Charghas. Is ré aithrí in onóir do Pháis Chríost é tráth an Charghais. Beannaítear luaithreach ar an lá seo agus cuirtear ar chláir éadain an duine é leis na focail "déanaigí aithrí agus creidigí sa soiscéal". Is am troscaidh, aithrí agus paidreoireachta é An Charghas.

*A losa glan mo chroí-se go gléghlan gach lá;  
A losa cuir m'intinn faoi léirsmacht do ghrá.*

### Month of March

We welcome the month of March, month of the farmer, month of the violet, month of renewal. Be with us O Lord in the month of March. The Pope's intention for this month: We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action.

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent. It is a period of reparation in honour of the Passion of Christ. Ashes, reminding us of our mortality, are blessed and distributed with the words "turn away from sin and be faithful to the gospel". This is a time of fasting, penance and prayer.

Jesus cleanse my heart and purify it each day;  
Jesus, let my mind be guided by your love.

## Dates for Sacraments



### Holy Communion

Afterschool	9th April
Ennis National School	7th May
Gaelscoil	14th May
Holy Family School	21st May
Scoil Chríost Rí	21st May

### Confirmation:

Ennis National School	25th March
Holy Family School	1st April
Afterschool	9th April
Gaelscoil	20th May
Scoil Chríost Rí	4th March

Ennis Parish  
Development Fund  
for Sunday 20th February

Fund €1627.67  
Online €271.00

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

The Lord became my protector.  
He brought me out to a place of  
freedom;  
he saved me because he delighted in  
me.

### 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  
Ecclesiasticus. Eccl 27:4-7**

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,  
So too the defects of a man appear in his  
talk.

The kiln tests the work of the potter,  
The test of a man is in his conversation.  
The orchard where the tree grows is  
judged on the quality of it's fruit, similarly a  
man's words betray what he feels.  
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,  
since this is the test of men.

**The word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

*Response: It is good to give you  
thanks, O Lord.*

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most  
High,  
To proclaim your love in the morning and  
your truth in the watches of the night.

**R**

2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon Cedar.

**R**

3. Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

**R**

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

**1 Cor15:54-58**

When this perishable nature has put on  
imperishability, and when this mortal  
nature has put on immortality, then the  
words of scripture will come true: Death is  
swallowed up in victory. Death, where is  
your victory? Death, where is your sting?  
Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets  
it's power from the Law. So let us thank  
God for giving us the victory through our  
Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers,  
never admit defeat; keep on working at  
the Lord's work always, knowing that, in  
the Lord, you cannot be laboring in vain.

**The word of the Lord**

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Open our hearts, O Lord,  
to accept the words of your Son.  
Alleluia!*

**A reading from the holy Gospel  
according to Luke**

**Lk 6:39-45**

Jesus told a parable to his disciples. 'Can  
one blind man guide another? Surely both  
will fall in to a pit? The disciple is not  
superior to his teacher; the fully trained  
disciple will always be like his teacher.  
Why do you observe the splinter in your  
brother's eye and never notice the plank  
in your own? How can you say to your

brother, "Brother, let me take out the  
splinter that is in your eye," when you  
cannot see the plank in your own.  
Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own  
eyes first, and then you will see clearly  
enough to take out the splinter that is in  
your brother's eye.

There is no sound tree that produces  
rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that  
produces sound fruit. For every tree can  
be told by it's own fruit, people do not pick  
figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from  
brambles. A good man draws what is good  
from the store of goodness in his heart; a  
bad man draws what is bad from the store  
of badness. For a man's words flow out of  
what fills his heart.'

**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 will sing to the Lord who has been  
bountiful with me, sing psalms to the  
name of the Lord Most High.**