

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

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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Second Sunday of Lent (Year C) 13th March, 2022

Prayer Transforms Our Lives.

A story is told of a young revolutionary who prayed: "Lord, give me the grace to change the world". As he grew and approached middle age, realizing, that half of his life was gone without changing a single soul, he changed his prayer. He started praying: "Lord, give me the grace to change all those who come in contact with me; just my family and friends and I shall be satisfied". Then, having grown old, he began to see how foolish he had been. Now his one and only prayer become: "Lord, give me grace to change myself". The season of Lent is a beautiful time of personal transformation through prayer.

JESUS` TRANSFIGURATION IS FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE DISCIPLES

This Sunday gospel gives an account of the Transfiguration of Our Lord. The Transfiguration is the story of prayer. The gospel tells us that as Jesus was praying his appearance changed. His divinity was revealed. He became radiant with the dazzling light of God's glory. When the disciples noticed that Jesus` appearance changed, they realized that here was someone divine.

Why did Jesus see the need to pray for their transformation?. Jesus prayed so that their eyes may be opened to unmask the false understanding of power and glory and begin to see in Jesus, the true messiah`s identity. Therefore, the transfiguration of Jesus gives us the hope that when we are united with God and we allow ourselves to be immersed in His love in prayer we can experience transformation too.



JESUS` TRANSFIGURATION STRENGTHENED THE DISCIPLES` COMMITMENT

While Jesus was praying, there appeared Moses and Elijah. Moses represents the Law, and Elijah represents Prophecy. In the Transfiguration, Jesus was considered to be the fulfilment of Law and Prophets. Today, as Christians we are obliged to follow Jesus our master. To follow Him is not an easy task, it demands struggles, pain, sacrifice, persecutions and even it costs our very lives. For that we need strength and grace which we receive in prayer. We can listen to Jesus in two ways first and foremost in prayer, secondly from the word of God. It is from the scripture we hear His voice. It is from the scripture Jesus speaks to us, instructs us and guides us. For that we need to spend little time in reading his word. And by reading the Word of God our lives will be transformed.

As we are in the season of Lent, let us examine ourselves. In which areas of our life do we need to be transformed? Is it in the area of our broken relationships between spouses in marriage, between members in the family or between friends and closed ones? Is it in the area of our public moral life where we are being corrupt and dishonest? Is it in the area of our life of discipleship where we failed to bear witness to Christ and his values? This transformation cannot come about by mere human efforts. Prayer grants us grace for transformation, commitments to Jesus and obedience to His word.

Priest on Duty 13th March 2022
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Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: P.J. Finucane, Shanaway Rd. **1st Anniv.**

Sun 13th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Mary Ann McNamara, Bodyke.
Holy Souls.

11.30am: Des & Peggy Carroll, Corrovorrin Drive.
John & Ellen Kearse & Family, St. Michael's Villas.
Angela Loonam (nee Morrissey), College Green.
Ann Barrett nee Morrissey, Willow Pk.
Donor's Intention.

Mon: 7.40am: Jack Davoren & family, Kilmaley & Ennis.

11am: 7.30pm: Christina Morgan (nee Haren), Cappalea, Kilmaley.

7.30pm: Maureen **1st Anniv.** & Seán Cronin, Mountain View.

Tues: 7.40am: Book of Intentions.

11am: Hal & Eva Frazer, Considine Tce.
Frances Cosgrove, Ard na Greine.
Special Intention.

7.30pm: Pat & Denis Guthrie, Kilnaboy.

Hugh Ferrigan, Gallows Hill.

Richard Crotty, Willow Park.

Wed 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Patrick O'Donoghue, Ennis & Limerick.
Holy Souls.

7.30pm: Tom Sheehan, Brookville.

Thurs 7.40am: St. Patrick's Day No Mass

9.30am: Patrick Donohoe, Ennis.

11.30am: Kevin Banville, Wexford.

Catherine Mary O'Rourke, Aughanteeroe & U.K.

7.30pm: No Evening Mass

Fri 7.40am: Bank Holiday - No 7.40am Mass.

11am: Leo Guy, Circular Rd.

Clive Frawley, Kilmaley.

7.30pm: No intention booked.

Sat: 11am: Nancy Cunningham, St. Michael's Villas. MM.

Dan & Marian McNamara, College Green.

6.30pm: Albert Hanberry, Roslevan.

Albert, Bridie, & Sr. Marie Stephens, Clonroad.

Don & Jenny Ryan, Summerhill.

Martin Bradley, Clonroadbeg.

Sun 20th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: James Vaughan, The Market.

Jim Flanagan, Roslevan & Tuam.

11.30am: Gerard O'Loughlin, Old Gort Rd. **1st Anniv.**

Maisie, John, Jim & Martin Bradley, Limerick Rd.

Billy & Teresa Fitzgerald, St. Joseph's, Clare Rd.

John Linnane, St. Flannan's Tce.

John Neylon, Dublin & Darragh.

Peter Fox, High St.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 13th 11am: Derek Purtill, Hermitage.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Thurs 11am: St. Patrick's Day

Fri 9.30am: Bank Holiday - No Mass.

Sun 20th 11am: Patrick, Mary Anne & J.J. Fitzpatrick, Circular Rd. & Ennistymon.

Bank Holiday

Friday 18th March is a Bank Holiday this year. There will be no Morning Prayer or 7.40am Mass in the Cathedral or 9.30am Mass in Cloughleigh on Friday

Newly Baptised

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

Rhys Val McMahon
Leah Frances Reidy
Alva Robyn Woodgate



Dates for Sacraments

Holy Communion

Afterschool	9th April
ENS	7th May
Gaelscoil	14th May
Holy Family	21st May
Scoil Christ Rí	21st May
CBS	28th May

Confirmation:

ENS	25th Mar
Holy Family	1st April
Afterschool	9th April
Gaelscoil	20th Mar
CBS	26th Mar

**Cloughleigh Drama Group
in conjunction with Cloughleigh
Benevolent Fund**

are hosting an Afternoon Tea in aid of Ukraine Appeal Fund on Saturday

19th March from 2-4pm in Cloughleigh Community Centre, Davitt Terrace. Admission €5.

All proceeds to Irish Red Cross.

Rest in Peace



Pauline Galvin, Roscomman, sister of Angela Galvin, Hazel Lane, Gort Rd.;

Christina Lynch, Clare Road;

Joan Moloney, Considine's Rd.;

Hannah O'Brien, Ard Aobhinn, Limerick Rd.;

Pat Fitzpatrick, "Coraveen", Lifford, Ennis & formerly Killimer,

Suzanne Meaney, Victoria Court;

Marion Young, "St. Anthony's", Mullingar, sister of Patricia Graham, "Cragg", Cusack Rd. & Angela Cahir, Larchill;

Séamus MacMathúna, Dublin & Cooraclare, brother of Pádraig MacMathúna, Kevin Barry Avenue;

Nell Foster Smith, Ennis.

St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Paddy Greene, Corrovorrin Ave.
Vincent Greene, Bedfordshire, UK & Corrovorrin Ave.
Mary, James & John Sexton, Ballard, Miltown Malbay.
Sun 13th 10am: Mary Cornu (nee Heffernan), O'Connell Square.

11.45am: John **1st Anniv.** & Josephine Lavin, The Crescent, Lifford.

Joe Moroney, Corrovorrin, Tulla Rd.

Mon 10.30am: Josephine Craig, Meadow Court.

Tues 10.30am: John, Rita & Johnny Mulkerrins, Marian Ave.

Wed 10.30am: Maureen O'Keefe, Lifford Rd.
Pat Quinn & Nora Armstrong, Sligo & Eastleigh.

Thurs: St. Patrick's Day.

10am: Michael & Jennie Carmody, Kincora Pk.

11.45am: Mary & Malty McDonagh, Miltown Malbay.

Teresa Browne, Tulla Rd. **1st Anniv**

Fri 10.30am: Colm Casey, Beechpark.

Sat 10.30am: Bridget Raftery, Galway.

7pm: Pat O'Brien, Shannon Park.

Sun 20th 10am: Marian & Patrick Watson, Fergus Pk.
Noreen Malone, Aughanteeroe. **1st Anniv.**

11.45am: No intention booked.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €100.00, €50, €50

We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

St. Joseph's Day

Saturday 19th March is the Feast of St. Joseph. It is disappointing considering the importance of St. Joseph's role that the Gospels do not tell us more about him. All we really know of his character is that he was a "holy and righteous man" who generously cooperated with God's grace. Early Christians must have been more interested in initiating Joseph's virtues than recording biographical details.

We honour St. Joseph for trusting in God's plan. Even though he had limited understanding of its reasons or consequences we offer petitions to him as patron saint of Fathers, Grandfathers, Workers and of the Dying.



Prayer to the Sleeping St. Joseph

O St. Joseph you are a man greatly favoured by the Most High.

The angel of the Lord appeared to you
In dreams, while you slept,
To warn and guide you

As you cared for the Holy Family.
You were both silent and strong,
A loyal and courageous protector.

Dear St. Joseph, as you rest in the Lord,
confident of His absolute power and goodness
Look upon me. Please take my need into your heart,
dream of it and present to your Son.

Help me then, good St. Joseph,
To hear the voice of God,
To arise and act with love.

I praise and thank God with joy.
St. Joseph I love you. Amen

Lourdes 2022



After an absence of two years, due to the Covid pandemic our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes resumes again this year from 28th June to 3rd July, direct from Shannon Airport. Sick or assisted pilgrims will not travel this year. €739 to €759 depending on the choice of hotel, Agena or La Solitude.

To reserve your place please contact Joe Walsh Tours. Tel: 01-2410800 email: info@joewalstours.ie

Post: Joe Walsh Tours, 69 O'Connell Street Dublin 1

The autumn pilgrimage will take place from 2nd to 7th October 2022

Enquiries to Fr Tom Ryan

Pilgrimage Director 087 2349816 or tfryan.enis@gmail.com

St. Patrick's Day

Thursday next 17th March we celebrate the Feast of our National Apostle, St. Patrick.

2019 was the last year that we as a nation were able to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. Mass times for St. Patrick's day will be the same as on a Sunday with only two Vigil Masses on Wednesday 16th March at @ 7.30pm in the Cathedral & the Friary.

On St. Patrick's Day Mass will be celebrated at

7.45am Poor Clare Monastery

8.00am Cathedral

9.30am Cathedral

(with students from Rice College)

10.00am St Joseph's

10.00am Friary

11.00am Cloughleigh

11.30am Cathedral

11.45am St. Joseph's

Please note there will be no evening Mass in Ennis on St. Patrick's Day.

St Patrick's Day this Year is designated as a National Day of Prayer for Peace.

St. Patrick's Day Parade

After an absence of two years the St. Patrick's Day Parade returns to the streets of Ennis this year. The parade will commence at Áras Contae an Chláir on New Road at 11am on St. Patrick's Day proceeding over the Club Bridge, Abbey St., Bank Place, Bindon St., and finishing at Harmony Row.

National Collection for Ukraine

There will be an opportunity at all Masses in Ireland on the weekend of 26/27th March to contribute to help the people of Ukraine.

Trócaire are co-ordinating this appeal.



Daily Mass

Seven daily Masses in the Parish

Cathedral: 7.40am, 11am, 7.30pm

Cloughleigh: 9.30am

Friary: 9.30am

Friary: 10am

Poor Clares: 7.45am

St. Joseph's: 10.30am

Late opening of the Cathedral on Mondays

14th, 21st, 28th March, 4th, 11th April.

To celebrate the Sacrament of Confession and spend some quiet time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament from 8pm to 10pm.

Night Prayer with Fr. Brendan Quinlivan at 10pm each night on Tulla Parish facebook page.

Praying the Stations of the Cross on Friday Evening after 7.30pm Mass.

Our Prayer / Fasting / Almsgiving (PEA) programme continues this Lent.

If you want a real purpose-driven Lent, the prayer / fasting / almsgiving programme is made for you.

- ◆ Prayer-commit to a daily prayer.
- ◆ Fast-commit to eating three meals a day.
- ◆ Almsgiving-commit to donating to Trócaire.

Each day you will help yourself, help others and help your relationship with God. This programme involves making sacrifice, but there is no doubt that the benefits we will receive at Easter will be immense.

Second Sunday of Lent—13th March

'It is wonderful for us to be here' – would we ever say that about the sacrament of confession/reconciliation?

Yet Pope Francis says that within the sacrament lies the remedy for the moments in life when we are down. He says it is truly a celebration.

The Abbey Pastoral Area Reconciliation Service will be on Monday 11th April at 7:30pm in the Cathedral of SS Peter & Paul, Ennis.

Reflections, scripture and music will be part of this prayerful celebration and a number of priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

You are very welcome to join us.

The Synodal Way

During Lent parishes and parishioners are invited to discuss and reflect on the synod in which Pope Francis asks us for our views for the future of the church. **A public meeting for parishioners of the Abbey Pastoral Area will take place in the Maria Assumpta Hall on Wednesday 23rd March at 8pm**



Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Lá Fhéile Naomh Pádraig

Ceiliúraimid Lá Fhéile Pádraig ar an Déardaoin seo chugainn 17 Márta ní hamháin in Éirinn ach ar fud na cruinne. Tógadh Pádraig mar sclábhái go hÉirinn agus chaith sé sé bliana mar aoire ar Shliabh Mis i gContae Aontroma. Bhí sé mar nós aige guí chun Dé céad uair sa lá agus céad uair san oíche. D'éirigh leis filleadh ar an mBreatain agus as sin go dtí an Fhrainc. Oirníodh ina é shagart agus ina dhiaidh sin rinneadh easpag de. D'fhill sé ar Éirinn agus chraobhscaoil sé Soiscéal na Críostafochta. Tugann an lá féile seo deis dúinn buíochas a ghabháil le Dia as an tseoid luachmhar seo a bhronn Naomh Pádraig orainn. Gabhaimid buíochas chomh maith dóibh siúd idir chléir agus tuath a scaip an Creideamh ar fud an domhain. Sa *Confessio* cuireann Pádraig é féin in aithne dúinn "Mise Pádraig, peacach róthútach, an té is lú de na firéin go léir agus an té is mó a bhfuil dímeas ag a lán...". Tugaimis ómós dó mar ba chóir. Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig orainn go léir sa bhaile agus ar fud na cruinne ar ár lá náisiúnta ceiliúrtha féin.

Sliocht as *Luireach Phádraig*

*Críost i gcroí gach duine a smaoiníonn orm,
Críost i mbéal gach duine a labhraíonn liom,
Críost i ngach súil a fhéachann orm,
Críost i ngach cluas a éistean liom.*

Feast of Saint Patrick

We celebrate the feast of St. Patrick on Thursday next 17 March, not only in Ireland but throughout the world. Saint Patrick was brought as a slave to Ireland and spent six years as a shepherd on Sliabh Mish in Co. Antrim. It was his custom to pray to God a hundred times a day and the same at night. He succeeded in retuning to Britain and from there to France. He was ordained a priest and later a bishop. He returned to Ireland and preached the Gospel of Christ to the Irish people. We remember to thank God for this precious gift on St. Patrick's feast day. We also thank God for all those who proclaimed and spread even to this day, the Christian message to people throughout the world. In the *Confessio* Patrick introduces himself "I Patrick, wretched sinner, least among men, despised by many...". Let us honour him fittingly. Happy St. Patrick's Day to everybody in Ireland and throughout the world on this our national feast day.

Extract from *St. Patrick's Breastplate*
*Christ in hearts of all who think of me,
Christ in mouth of all who speak to me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.*

Trócaire

Trócaire boxes are available in all our churches this Lent. Please be generous to those who have little as we give thanks for what we have in our Blessings.



Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for
Sunday, 6th March 2022
Fund € 4,320.00
Online € 428.00

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Of you my heart has spoken; seek his face.

It is your face, o Lord, that I seek;
Hide not your face from 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.**

A reading from the book of Genesis

Genesis 15:5-12.17-18

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants he told him'. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him, 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land'. 'My Lord, the Lord', Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?'

He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtle dove and a young pigeon'. He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep, and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves.

That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms:

To your descendants I give this land,
from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

The Lord is my light and my help.

The Lord is my light and my help;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
before whom shall I shrink? **R**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call;
have mercy and answer.

Of you my heart has spoken:
'Seek his face.' **R**

It is your face, O Lord, that I seek;
hide not your face.

Dismiss not your servant in anger;
you have been my help. **R**

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness
in the land of the living.

Hope in him, hold firm and take heart.
Hope in the Lord! **R**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians

Philippians 3:17 - 4:1

My brothers, be united in following my rule of life. Take as your models everybody who is already doing this and study them as you used to study us.

I have told you often, and I repeat it today with tears, there are many who are behaving as the enemies of the cross of Christ. They are destined to be lost. They make foods into their god and they are proudest of something they ought to think shameful; the things they think important are earthly things.

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord.

I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

***Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
From the bright cloud the Father's voice
was heard:***

'This is my Son, the Beloved.

Listen to him!'

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Luke 9:28-36

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray.

As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem.

Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his

glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying.

As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.'

And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone.

The disciples kept silence and at that time told no one what they had seen.

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

**This is my beloved Son with whom I am
well pleased.
Listen to him.**