## 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

Sunday 11am

Friary-www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/franciscanfriary-webcam/ Monday to Saturday 10am Vigil Mass Saturday 7.30pm Sunday 10.30am Christ the King Oratory Cloughleigh Monday to Friday 9.30am

## 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.

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 St. Joseph's:- 6829584 Cloughleigh:- 6797489; Friary:- 6828751 Ennis Parish Web Site: http://www.ennisparish.comFacebook: http://www.facebook.com/ennis.parish

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year C) 15th May, 2022.

## DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

We are fortunate that in our lifetime we enjoy a quality of life which would have been unthinkable a few generations ago. We enjoy an abundance of material goods and appreciate the ease of communication that makes the world into a global village. Yet despite all these stunning developments we are in the middle of a cultural decline that is evident in the escalation of violence, random shootings, gross materialism and hedonism. The countless number of people who have been treated for mental and related illnesses is becoming more alarming.

The Department of Health and other medical institutions are endeavouring to cope with the effects of this malady. More awareness is necessary on the ground to facilitate support structures for dealing with victims of depression.

Each year we discover that numbers are increasing and at the same time people feel isolated in their struggle to cope. Psychologists and therapists are very much concerned that silent victims of darkness are reluctant to seek help at an early stage of depression.

Currently we are living with issues such as Covid, cost of living, war and insecurity that certainly affect all of us in different ways. Teachers are alerting us to this measure of depression in the classrooms, family dysfunctionality and poor self-image as well as bullying.

Dialogue is vitally important especially among friends if signs of unusual behaviour are observed. Recognising symptoms at an early stage may lead to breaking down the barriers of denial.

Many times those who have recovered from addictions such as alcohol, drugs, gambling etc. are telling us that their recovery began when they got a listening ear. Sharing at a human level early on facilitates the victims of depression and darkness to the road of recovery.



### O Jesus,

who died and rose again for love of us, dispel from our families and from society all forms Of despair and discouragement, so that we may live as risen people and may carry your peace to all the world, through Christ our Lord Amen.



## Priest on Duty 15th May 2022 Contact: Fr. David Carroll 0656869098





### May Devotions in honour of Our Lady

We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May.

### The Hail, Holy Queen, or salve Regina

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of mercy. Hail our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor, banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O Clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God; That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

The following prayer by Pope Leo XIII is frequently said here: O God, whose only-begotten Son, by his life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life. grant, we beseech thee, that meditating upon these sacred mysteries

in the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise. Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

### May Devotions in honour of Our Lady

- Corrovorrin Avenue; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- Gallows Hill; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- Dalcassian Pk. Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- St. Michael's Villas Grotto; Rosary daily, 7.30pm.

Mass will be celebrated at the Grotto in St. Michael's Villas on Wednesday 25th May at 7.30pm

- Hermitage Grotto; Rosary daily, 6.30pm
- Marian Avenue Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm
- Loughville Grotto, Rosary daily, 8pm
- St Joseph's Well Gort Rd. Rosary daily, 7pm
- Buttermarket Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm.



Mary Larkin nee O'Loughlin, Clonroadbeg, sister of Eileen Bradley, Clonroadbeg & Michael O'Loughlin, Lahinch Rd.;

Jerry Hayes, Pine Grove;

Freddie Pearse, died in England, late of St. Michael's Villas, brother of Yvonne Pilkington, Gallows Hill & Nan Roche, Tobartaoscain;

Nonie Devitt née O'Donoghue, Knockature, Inagh, mother of John, Clare Rd. Tyre Centre;

Lourdes 2022 Direct from Shannon Airport June 28th—July 3rd Summer Pilgrimage September 22nd—27th Franciscan Pilgrimage October 2nd -7th Autumn Pilarimage



Details available on the parish website or on the posters in the Cathedral or Friary. Booking forms for the pilgrimage are now available in the Parish Office

St. Anthony's Novena



Taking place in the Friary from Saturday 4th June until the Feast of St. Anthony on Monday 13th June. Two sessions daily at 10am and 7.30pm.

Sundays at 10.30am Blessing of Lilies on the Feast of St. Anthony.

The preacher this year is Fr. Anthony O.F.M., Killarney

Martina Hogan & Margaret Mc Mahon, (staff of Ennis Parish Office) will participate in this year's Women's Mini Marathon in Dublin, Bank Holiday Sunday 5th June



All proceeds to two charities:

### Cathedral Renovation Fund

All monies received go towards providing much needed ongoing repair works for the Cathedral.

### Ennis Voices for Autism (EVA)

A voluntary group for families of children with Autism. All monies received go directly to providing services for the children.

Donations can be made in person at the parish office or:

www.idonate.iemartinamargaretsminimarat hon

Please Support, all donations gratefully received.

Pledge to Plant for Irish Hospice Foundation: Irish Hospice Foundation is



calling on supporters to Pledge to Plant to raise funds for their work in end of life and bereavement care in Ireland. They are asking supporters to grow flowers, plants and vegetables in May and then organise a plant sale in June to sell what they have grown to family, friends and colleagues. Everyone that registers to Pledge to Plant will receive a free supporter pack full of information, planting tips and complimentary seeds to get them started.

To sign up for your pack or find out more see:www.hospicefoundation.ie/pledgetoplant or call (01) 6793188



An Cúigiú Domhnach Den Cháisc

Inniu an cúigiú Domhnach den Cháisc agus táimid breis is leath bealaigh trí Mhí na Bealtaine.

Ag machnamh dúinn ar shaol Íosa táimid ag dul siar na mílte bliain. Níor scríobhadh aon bheatha de shaol Íosa nó ní dhearnadh aon scannán dá shaol sula bhfuair Sé bás. Gach a bhfuil ar eolas againn faoi, tá sé ag teacht chugainn trí An Scríbhinn Dhiaga: an Pháis, an Bhás agus an t-Aiséirí. I Soiscéal an lae inniu iarrann Íosa ar na deisceabail grá a bheith eatarthu i gcónaí "Tá aithne nua á thabhairt agam daoibh, go dtabharfadh sibh grá dá chéile; faoi mar a thug mise grá daoibhse, go dtabharfadh grá dá chéile. As sin a bheidh a fhios ag cách gur deisceabail liomsa sibh má bhíonn grá agaibh dá chéile" Eoin13:34-35. Is fiú dúinn na Soiscéil a léamh chun eolas níos fearr a fháil ar Íosa agus bheith i gcaidreamh leis gach lá. Má fhanaimid dílis do Chríost, agus a thoil a chomhlíonadh, beidh ceangail grá eadrainn go brách gan scaoileadh, mar is Eisean an tSlí, an Bheatha, agus an Fhírinne.

A Thiarna, tabhair do ghrásta dúinn go gcuirimid i bhfeidhm ó ghníomh a bhfuil á dhearbhú agus á chomóradh againn. Áiméan

Today is the fifth Sunday of Easter and we are more than halfway through the month of May. When we reflect on the life of Jesus, we are going back thousands of years. No life of Jesus was written and no film was made of Him during His life. Everything we know about Him comes through Sacred Scripture, His Passion, Death and Resurrection. In today's Gospel Jesus asks his disciples to love one another "I give you a new commandment: love one another; just as I have loved you, you also must love another. By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my disciples" John13: 34-35We ought to read the Gospels to get to know Jesus better. If we remain faithful to Christ and do His will, we will be united with Him forever as He is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Lord, grant that what we celebrate in worship we may carry out in our lives. Amen

### LOUGH DERG RE-OPENS

Lough Derg welcomes Pilgrims again with a full Pilgrimage programme this summer.



Three Day Pilgrimage: 1st June - 15th August.

Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups.

One Day Retreats and guided Pilgrim Path experience: dates in May and late through September. Booking August essential. All booking information at www.loughderg.org

Email info@loughderg.org tel: 071 9861518. Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal, F94 N289.

# **Today's Scripture Readings**

### **Entrance Antiphon**

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia

### 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 Acts of the Apostles Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God'. In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church

and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

### The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm *Response:* . *I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.* The Lord is kind and full of compassion, Slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, Compassionate to all his creatures. *R.* 

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, And your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign And declare your might, O God. To make known to men your mighty deeds

And the glorious splendour of your reign.

Yours is an everlasting Kingdom; Your rule lasts from age to age. *R*.

### A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

### The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'I give you a new commandment: Love one another, just as I have loved you.' Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 13:31-35 When Judas had gone Jesus said: 'Now has the Son of Man been alorified.

and in him God has been glorified. If God has been glorified in him, God will in turn glorify him in himself,

and will glorify him very soon. My little children,

I shall not be with you much longer. I give you a new commandment:

love one another:

just as I have loved you,

you also must love one another. By this love you have for one

another,

everyone will know that you are my disciples.'

### 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 true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.