

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.

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

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

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

Vocations Sunday

I Need Priests

Lord Jesus
There are certain men whom you have chosen and who have chosen you, they are priests.

I want to pray for them

You need their love and service
because I need their love and service
When you chose them you had me in mind
Thank you for this, Lord

I need priests to teach me
the good news of your salvation;
I need priests to remind me to be grateful for your salvation.

They teach me your message—now,
Trying to help me to know its meaning
In my life, in my family, in my work, in my leisure
I need priests when I have sinned

Priests listen to me telling you my sins
telling you I am sorry for all these sins.
I want to tell you, and because they are listening,
I know you are listening.

Priests give me the certainty of your forgiveness;
because I hear them speak, I hear you speak.
I value that certainty of your forgiveness which I get in the sacrament of penance.

I need priests to call me to worship your father,
my Father in the sacrifice of the mass
your sacrifice which you allow me to offer.

But I cannot offer it alone, I need a priest for this,
just as you need a priest for this.

And I know that in the Eucharist and only in the Eucharist can I fully offer my life to you, and to our Father.

No priest, no mass;
no priest, no communion
And I need and value my masses, my communions with you and with my friends.

I need priests to give me a lead not only by what they say,
but also by what they do, and by what they are in their lives.

They bear a witness that is unique in the world.

Their faith is a help to my faith, their concern,
their care is a help to my caring,
their love gives me an inkling of your love,
their leadership helps me to follow you

So Lord, help me to have an intelligent appreciation,
a sincere respect, a genuine love for all priests,
and especially the priests whose job it is to give me your help.

By giving their lives for me, through you they show me how to know you,
to love you,
to serve you
And this is what you want from me.

Thank you, Lord, for giving me priests.
Help me always to appreciate them and to pray for them.

Priest on Duty 8th May 2022
Contact: Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Joe Arthur, Gort Rd.
 Paschal Molloy, Hermitage.
 Ann McMahon, Morrissey Ave.
 Bernie & Mary Hennessy, Kilkee.
 David Slattery, John Paul Ave.
 Tadeusz Papis, Poland.

Sun 8th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Special Intention.

11.30am: Margaret Staunton, Gallows Hill.
 Ann Mangan, Turnpike Rd.
 Donal Mac Mathúna, Ballybeg.

Mon 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Marie O'Callaghan, Barefield;
 John O'Callaghan, Kilmaley.

7.30pm: No intention booked.

Tues:7.40am Book of Intentions.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: John Duddy, Surrey.

Wed 7.40am: John Meaney, Surrey.

11am: Sr. Eucharía Keane.

7.30pm: Special intention.
 Ann Lacey, College Green.

Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Mai Singleton, Hermitage.

7.30pm: PJ Dinan, Hermitage.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Breda Whelan, Dalcassian Park.
 Christy Daly, College View, Clonroadmore .

7.30pm: James McMahon, Essex, England &
 Drumcaurin, Fountain. Burial of Ashes in Drumcliffe
 Cemetery.

6.30pm: Breda Hassett, Drumbiggie Rd.
 Dan O'Connor, Clonroad.
 Mary Scanlan, Willow Park & Scatterry Island.
 Josephine Latchem, Aughanteeroe. **1st Anniv.**

Sun 15th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Marie King, Crusheen & Ennis.
 Thomas, Catherine & Angela Colgan, Castlebar.

11.30am: Michael O'Brien, Summerhill.
 Michael & Una O'Meara, Limerick Rd.
 Paddy & Kitty Smyth, Carmody St.
 Marian Guinnane, Park Ave.
 James Kelly, Collins Park.
 Mary Forde (nee McMahon), Caherbanna, Fountain. **MM.**

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Fri 9.30am: Thomas & Josephine Hogan, Gort Rd.

Sun 15th 11am: Bernadette Moloney, Cloughleigh Rd.



Ennis Parish
 Development Fund
 for Sunday 1st May 2022

Fund **€3,323.67**
 Online **€187.00**

Legion of Mary have resumed their meetings in the Parish Office on Tuesdays at 8pm. New members very welcome. Contact Ann 087 7803459

Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima at Daniel O'Connell's Monument, O'Connell Square on Saturday 14th May at 4pm. Everyone welcome.

Newly Baptised

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

Noah James McDonagh
Hailie Faye Garam
Christian King
Christopher King
Archie Jax James Ruane



Ennis Teen Takeover

Family fun Day this Sunday 8th May at Community Centre Chapel Lane. Colaiste Muire T.Y. students present slow fashion festival with family upcycling workshop. Rice College hosts the family games, an afternoon of fun and games with sport and treasure hunt, live music and entertainment.

First Holy Communion

Children from the Gaelscoil will celebrate First Holy Communion in the Cathedral on Saturday Morning next. For those who avail of the 11am Mass in the Cathedral, there will be 10am in the Friary or 10.30am mass in St. Joseph's on the day

Knock Shrine Pilgrimage

On Sunday 22nd May Bishop Fintan will lead the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine. Knock is now very accessible with the motorway and less than 1 1/2 hours drive from Ennis. Ceremonies at the Shrine will begin at 2.30pm. A bus will travel from Ennis. To book yourself a place please contact Cian at Brigdale's Coaches 087 261333

Safeguarding Month

The parish safeguarding audits showed that children's ministry in parishes is slowly returning. We actively encourage children to be involved in the Church and have developed procedures, policies and forms to assist Parishes with this Ministry. For any further guidance or assistance with restarting children's ministry, Cleo and Joe will be more than happy to assist and can be contacted via the Diocesan office.
<https://www.killaloeocese.ie/safeguarding/safeguarding-forms-policies>



St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: Tommy Guilfoyle, St. Clare's Close, Gallows Hill.

Sun 8th 10am: Chrissie Clune, Ballymacahill.
 Mary Moroney, Corrovorrin, Tulla Rd. **MM.**
 Michael Lernihán, Pearse Ave.
 Griffin Family, Kilmaley.

11.45am: John Doohan, Kincora Park.

Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.

Tues 10.30am: No intention booked.

Wed 10.30am: Chrissie Clune, Ballymacahill.

Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.

Fri 10.30am: No intention booked.

Sat 10am: Frank Gibbons, Kincora Park.

7pm: Tom Roche, Kincora Park. **1st Anniv.**
 Jimmy & Teresa Madigan, Marian Ave.
 Kathleen Burke, Knockanoura, Tulla Rd.
 Tom Stack, Lifford Rd.

Sun 15th 10am: Johnny, Mark & Cathal Mulcaire, Cahercalla Heights.

11.45am: Dilly & James O'Halloran, St. Senan's Rd.

Comhgairdeas chuig na páistí as Gaelscoil Mhíicil Cíosóg. They made their first Reconciliation during the week.

Congratulations also to the children of St Anne's school who were confirmed during the week.

Empty bottles for Holy Water are needed at St Joseph's; unfortunately, milk, juice or soft drink bottles cannot be re-used.

Mothers' Prayers
 Prayer meeting in St. Joseph's Church on Monday 9th May at 3pm. All welcome

May Devotions in honour of Our Lady



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

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virign Mary,
 That never was it known
 that anyone who fled to your protection,
 implored your help, or sought your intercession,
 was left unaided.
 Inspired by this confidence,
 I fly unto you, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother.
 To you do I come,
 before you I stand,
 sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word incarnate,
 despise not my petitions,
 but in your mercy, hear and answer me. 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.
- 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 at 7pm
- Buttermarket Grotto; Rosary daily at 7pm.

SIX WAYS TO DISCERN MY VOCATION

1. PRAYER.

Prayer is a conversation with God—not just saying prayers, but speaking to the Lord from your heart. Ask him to reveal his plan for you: "Jesus, I want to want what you want. Here I am Lord; I come to do your will." Trust that God has a plan for you.

2. THE SACRAMENTS.

The soul is the window through which we can see God and hear his voice. If the window is dirty because of sin, it must be cleaned through Confession so we can be in union with God. When you receive Holy Communion, ask Jesus to show you your vocation.

3. GOOD INFORMATION.

It is impossible to discover your vocation without good information. What does it mean to have a holy Christian marriage? What do priests do? What is it like to be a religious sister or brother? Search for good information online, then take what you have learned back to prayer.

4. GO ON RETREAT.

Miracles happen on retreats! One of the surest ways to discover God's plan for you is to enter into silence and prayer over an extended period. Ask the Vocation Director to help you find a good retreat.

5. GET ADVICE.

Don't try to discern your vocation alone, without the help of the Church. Talk to a sister, brother, priest, or deacon you trust.

6. THE BLESSED MOTHER.

Mary is the ultimate example of openness to the will of God. Are you open to God's will for you? Pray three Hail Marys every day, specifically to discover your vocation and have the courage to follow it.

When the time comes, you must act!

Move in the direction your heart tells you, confident that God will never send you where his grace cannot sustain you!



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CHRISTIAN BROTHERS: christianbrothervocation.org

Ukraine Crisis



Sincere thanks to all who contributed so generously to the recent Special Collection for Ukraine. Nationally, this collection has raised to date over €3.25 million. The war in Ukraine, and the terrible suffering which has resulted, have seen a tremendous outpouring of compassion and generosity from our parish communities. Your contributions will bring much-needed relief to those in the region whose lives and livelihoods have been devastated. The funds raised will be used by the international Catholic Church Agency, Caritas Internationalis, which is currently operating on the ground in Ukraine and its surrounding areas. We continue to keep the people of Ukraine in our thoughts, praying for peace and an end to this appalling humanitarian crisis.

Accord Ennis / Nenagh- Facilitator Recruitment. Accord are urgently seeking volunteers to be trained as Marriage Preparation Facilitators, to enthusiastically support couples as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. If you feel you have good communication skills and are willing to volunteer some time to this team please email marriagepreparation@accord.ie.

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.

The Third Age Charity's 'Failte Isteach' service is now available in most counties across the State in order to facilitate, in an informal setting, improved English language skills for refugees. This service is free and run by local volunteers. In order to locate the nearest English language class in your location, please see www.thirdageireland.ie/failte-isteach/locations

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An Ceathrú Domhnach den Cháisc

Tá an ceathrú Domhnach den Cháisc tiomnaithe do lá domhanda d'urnaí ar son gairmeacha. Deir Íosa linn i soiscéal an lae inniu "Éisteann mo chaoirigh le mo ghlóir, agus aithním iad, leanann siad mé. Tá an bheatha shíoraí agam á tabhairt dóibh..." (Eoin 27-28). Is íomhá an-chumhachtach é an Sáraoie ar an ngrá pearsanta agus an cúram atá ag Críost do gach duine. Tá an creideamh lárnach don chaidreamh idir Íosa mar Aoire agus baill den tréad sin. Tá gairm ag gach duine chun bheith ina dheisceabail ag Íosa. Iarrtar orainn inniu guí go bhfreagróidh daoine óga an ghairm chun na Sagartachta agus an Bheatha Reiligiúnach. Is é Íosa féin a dúirt linn: "Tá an fómhar fairsing ach níl ann ach meitheal bheag. Dá bhrí sin guígí Máistir an fhómhair go gcuirfeadh sé meitheal uaidh isteach ina fhómhair" (Matha 9:37-38). **A Thiarna Íosa Críost, Slánaitheoir an domhain, go n-éirí linn ár mbeatha a chaitheamh de réir do dhílse. Go dtreoraí an Spiorad Naomh sagairt agus lucht craobhscaoilte an dea-scéil. Áiméan.**

Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is devoted to prayer for vocations. Jesus tells us in today's gospel, "the sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life..." (John 27-28). The Good Shepherd is a very powerful image of the personal love and care that Jesus has for each person. Faith is central to the friendship between Jesus the Good Shepherd and the members of His flock. Everybody has a vocation in life and is called to be a true disciple of Jesus. We are asked to pray for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. It was Jesus who said, "The harvest is great but the labourers are few. Pray that the Lord of the harvest will send labourers into His harvest". (Matthew 9: 37-38). **Lord Jesus Christ, Saviour of the world, may we spend our lives faithful to You. May the Holy Spirit guide priests and all who preach the gospel. Amen**

RIP

John Donnellan, Moyasta, Kilrush, brother of Ita McMahan, Considine Terrace.

Stephen O'Halloran, Ennis & Liverpool

Mary Kearse nee Kelly, Connolly Villas

Brian Lynch, Tubber Rd., Gort & Fergus Park, Ennis;

Brian O'Caomhánaigh, Baile Átha Cliath, deartháir Máire Ní Mhaoileoin, Faiche an Coláiste



Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, 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 13:14.43-52

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come before him, singing for joy. **R**

Know that he, the Lord, is God. He made us, we belong to him, We are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the Lord, Eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age. **R**

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

Apo 7:9.14-17

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel

according to John. **Jn 10:27-30**

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'

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

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.