

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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Sixth Sunday of Easter Year A 14th May, 2023

I will not leave you Orphans

Years ago I read something rather odd: *"The reason mountain climbers are tied together is to keep the sane ones from going home."*

Whoever said that was playing with us a bit, for we know mountain climbers are tied together to keep from getting lost or going over a cliff. But there's another piece of truth here. When things get tough up on the mountain, when fear sets in, many a climber is tempted to say, *"This is crazy! I'm going home."*

The life of faith can be like that, doubts set in, despair overwhelms us, and the whole notion of believing in God seems crazy. Jesus knew his disciples would have days like that. So he told them we're tied together

like branches on the vine-or like climbers tied to the rope-tied together by the Spirit, to trust in one who is always more than we can understand, to keep us moving ahead on the journey of faith, to encourage us when believing seems absurd. *"I will not leave you orphaned,"* said Jesus. *"I am coming to you."*



Priest on Duty Fr. Martin Blake 14th May 2023

Contact 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 6.30pm: Seán O'Leary, Connolly Villas. 1st Anniv. Angela O'Loughlin, Lissane, Clarecastle & Hermitage. MM

Anthony Kelly, Tiermaclane.

Sun 14th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: No intention booked.

11.30am: Peggy Moran, New Jersey. MM.

Michael O'Brien, Summerhill.

Liam Daly, Hermitage.

Dónal MacMathúna, Ballybeg.

Marian Guinnane, Park Ave.

Dan O'Connor, Clonroad.

Marie King, Moyglass, Crusheen.

Mon: 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Lillian Rooney, Leitrim & New York..

7.30pm: Frances Roughan, Fountain..

Tues 7.40am Book of Intentions.

11am: Christy & Nora Daly, College View.

Tom Lillis, Kilkee.

Bridget & Michael O'Halloran, Roslevan.

7.30pm: Anthony O'Loughlin, St. Michael's Villas.

PJ & Mary Burke & Family, Inch, Kilmaley.

Johnny & Kathleen O'Loughlin, Old Gort Rd.

Frank Hassett, Ard na Gréine.

Jerry Moroney, Loughville.

Wed 7.40am: John & Brigid Hanley, Hermitage

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: PJ & Jack Dinan, Hermitage.

8.30pm: St Flannan's Graduation Mass.

Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Alfie & Patricia O'Neill, St. Michael's Villas.

Mary Ellen & Joe Hickey, Tullassa, Inch.

John & Eileen Howard, Circular Rd.

Paul Galvin, England.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Joe Moloney, Hermitage. MM.

Irene Moloney, McNamara Park.

Brendan & Berrie McMahan, "Ferndown", Lahinch Rd.

Sat:11am: Holy Communion — Holy Family NS.

6.30pm: Ted Barron, The Hazels, Tulla Rd.

Breda Hassett, Drumbiggle Rd.

Christopher Rynne, Honan's Terrace.

P.J.Cleary, Cahercalla Cross.

Mary Scanlan, Willow Park.

Sun 21st 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Mary Quinn, England & Carlow.

11.30am: Madge Moloney, McNamara Park.

Michael & Una O'Meara, Limerick Rd.

Noel, Mary & Patrick Ryan, Dalcassian Ave.

Mary & Paddy Broderick, Loughville.

Bridie & Tony Mahony, Hermitage.

Patrick Mahony, Market St.

Timothy Mulrennan, Westfields.

Newly Baptised

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



Ella Teresa Charlotte Seery.

Naoise Seosamh O'Kane.

Faolán Art O'Kane.

Rían Patrick David Lynch McDonough.

Noah Christopher Ryan

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €250, €150, €100 & €5

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

Exam Mass at Knock Shrine

For all students preparing for exams and their families. Take some time out from your studies for a quiet moment to ask for God's strength and guidance as you move through your exam period. Bring your pencil case to have it blessed. Mass June 5th, 7.30pm, Knock Basilica.

First Holy Communion

The children from Holy Family School will celebrate the Sacrament on Saturday next at 11am in the Cathedral.

Ennis Tidy Towns

Continue to meet up in Abbey Street Carpark on Monday evenings, at 7pm, throughout the summer. New volunteers are always welcome!

Clare 250 Cancer Centre Coffee Day takes place at the centre on Saturday the 20th of May from 10am to 4pm. All are welcome and proceeds will help the Clare 250 Lourdes Pilgrimage to take place this September. Eircode V95 CDH9"



All Ireland Rosary Rally in Knock will take place on Saturday June 3rd from 1pm in Knock. It will include Mass, the

Rosary, the Stations of the Cross and a talk by Bishop Oliver Doeme.

The Main Celebrant for the Mass will be Archbishop Eamon Martin. A bus will leave from Ennis. Please book your seat early to avoid disappointment.

Ring Seamus: 087 2752578

St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Tom Roche, Kincora Park.

Jimmy & Teresa Madigan, Marian Ave.

Kathleen Burke, Knockanoura, Tulla Rd.

Sun 14th 10am: John English, St. Senan's Rd. MM

Johnny, Mark & Cathal Mulcaire, Cahercalla Heights.

11.45am: Noel O'Regan, Corrovorrin Grove. MM.

Tom Stack, Lifford Rd.

Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.

Tues 10.30am: Andy McTiernan, Sligo.

Wed 10.30am: Maura Burke, Carlow. 1st Anniv.

Deceased Dullaghan & Connolly Families, Dundalk & Jonesboro.

Thu 10.30am: Julius Gajauskas. Cappahard.

Fri 10.30am: Sr. Christopher Tobin, Crusheen.

Sat: 10.30am: No intention booked.

7pm: Eileen Lynch, Cahercalla.

Christy Rushe, College Rd.

Brendan Mounsey, Marian Ave.

Sun 21st 10am: John Breslin, Sligo.

John, Seán & Rose O'Sullivan, Kevin Barry Avenue.

11.45am: Paddy Power, Castlawn, Tulla Rd. MM.

Jimmy & Dilly O'Halloran, St. Senan's Rd.

Safeguarding Month



During the last year, 24 Pastoral Ministers were appointed to the Diocese of Killaloe, in Pastoral Care and Catechesis. These Pastoral Ministers have been appointed to different Pastoral Areas, working alongside priests and Pastoral care teams. All the Ministers have been Garda vetted and undertaken safeguarding training in line with Diocesan Safeguarding Policy. Prayer, reflection and continuous discernment are vital parts of the Ministers' lives, ensuring that they remain steadfast and diligent as Pastoral Ministers of the Church.

Rest in Peace



James Cahill, Shannon Park;

Lucy McCarthy nee Hassett, Tulla Rd;

John Browne, Circular Rd;

Ray McCarthy, Clohanes, father of Paul, Drumcliffe & Oriana, Clancy Park;

Paraic O'Fatharta, Ennis;

John Corbett, Broadford, brother of Margaret Molloy & Geraldine Griffin;

Pauline Quinlivan, Kilmihil, sister of Irene Malone, Tobartaoscaín;

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 14th 11am: Bernadette Moloney, Cloughleigh.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Sun 21st 11am: Joan Coote, Considine Rd.

Timothy & Margaret O'Brien, Clareen Drive.

VHI Women's Mini Marathon 2023.



Martina & Margaret are taking part in the VHI Mini Marathon. We've chosen to fundraise for **Ennis Cathedral Renovation Fund and Samaritans Ennis**. All funds raised will go directly to these great causes. We hope you can help us by donating whatever you can. Simply visit our fundraising page on iDonate.ie (Martina & Margaret's Mini Marathon Fundraising Page 2023), scan the QR code which will bring you directly to our page. All donations are processed securely. Alternatively you can personally drop your donations into the Parish Office.

**Many Thanks for your support,
Martina & Margaret**

Aifreann Fleadh Nua.



This year, mass will be on Sunday 4th June at 11.30am in the Cathedral. For those interested in participating in the Fleadh Nua Choir, a workshop for the choir will be led by Fiona Walsh, Musical Director at the Cathedral, from 12.30-1.30pm on Saturday 3rd June in the Maria Assumpta Hall. All are welcome. Traditional singers will lead the choir through the hymns and responses. Musicians are also invited to join the Trad Group who, with Therese McInerney, will play selections of jigs and reels before and during the mass, further enhancing the celebratory spirit of the event.

Overall, it is hoped that the Aifreann Fleadh Nua will be a wonderful celebration of traditional Irish music and culture. Enquiries to: enniscathedralchoir@gmail.com

Eternum Columbarium

Joseph O'Neill from Eternum Columbarium will be available to meet people interested in reserving a niche in the Columbarium on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week. To make an appointment please ring 085 2148301

The Rosary Priest

Patrick Peyton was known the world over as "The Rosary Priest". As a seminarian, he had been cured of tuberculosis during a novena to Our Lady, and as a priest he wanted to tell the families of the world what she would do for them if they would open their hearts and their homes to her by praying the Rosary as a family every day. He spoke softly in his native Irish brogue. He delivered his message with such humility, simplicity and faith that millions committed themselves to pray the Family rosary every day. They considered the time they spent in his presence and heard him speak as a precious gift of Divine Grace.

Pilgrimages

Lourdes

Diocesan Pilgrimage 27th June to 2nd July
Booking with Joewalshstours.ie
Email: info@joewalshstours.ie
Tel: 01 2410800

**Franciscan Pilgrimages 22nd September
Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage 2nd October**
All from Shannon Airport in less than 2 hours

Lough Derg

Annual Parish Pilgrimage on Monday 7th to Wednesday 9th August. Booking through the Parish Office.

Knock

Diocesan Pilgrimage in association with the Diocese of Ferns, led by Bishop Ger Nash on Sunday 2nd July.

Medjugorje

Wednesday 13th—20th -September direct from Shannon Airport. Booking with Kathleen Lee 086 1031508 or Rachel Haren 087 6747869

Parking in the Holy Family School

On next Sunday 21st of May Holy Family School will be operating a match-day carpark for the Munster Championship game between Clare and Cork (Throw-In: 2pm). The car park will be operating from 10.45am for all match-day patrons. This is to raise funds for school sporting projects. This overlaps with 11.30am mass in the Cathedral and the school do not wish to exclude mass-goers from their regular parking. With this in mind, the following is the arrangements for the day.

- Both match-day patrons and mass goers can enter through the main gate, stewards at the entrance will enquire as to parking and direct appropriately
- Mass goers will have free access as always but should they wish to donate to the cause, we are charging €5 per match traffic car.
- Mass parking will be directed to a specific area of the carpark, separate from match attendees to limit overlap and confusion. Mass goers will be asked to leave the carpark through the back exit via Dunnes. The front will be off limits as we will be using this for arriving traffic.

Blood Donation Clinic

The West County Hotel on:
Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th
May

4:50pm to 8:10pm
Monday 22nd & Tuesday 23rd May from
4:50pm to 8:10pm

Oakwood Hotel Shannon

Wednesday 17th & Thursday 18th May
4:00pm to 7:20pm

Both clinics welcome New & Existing Donors.
Please call 1800 222 111 to book an appointment.



Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday 7th May

Fund €4,750.00
Online €206.50

Sr. Eileen's Cuinne

Sa spioradáltacht Cheilteach bhí ár sinsear an-tugtha do Dhia. Bhí paidir ar leith acu do gach ócáid. Is iad seo a leanas dhá cheann a bhíodh i mbéal an phobail ar son na sábháilteachta.

Dia idir mé agus uisce mo bháite,
Dia idir mé agus tine mo dhóite,
Dia idir mé agus bás gan chairde,
Dia idir mé agus taisme bhóthar. **Aiméan.**
Crios Chorp Chríost is Muire,
Ár dtionlacan fan bóthar,
Nára turas é in aistear,
Gura leas dúinn gach orlach. **Aiméan.**

According to Celtic Spirituality our ancestors were very devoted to God. They had a prayer for every occasion. The following are two of their prayers for safety:

God between me and the water that may drown me,

God between me and the fire that may burn me,

God between me and death in debt,

God between me and a road accident.
Amen

May the girdle of Jesus and Mary

Be around us on our journey

May we have a safe trip

And benefit from every inch. **Amen**

May the Month of Mary



We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May. Many people are making a little pilgrimage each evening by visiting a different grotto in the parish when the Rosary is being prayed.

Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Bring flowers of the rarest
bring blossoms the fairest,
from gardens and woodlands
and hillside and dale;

Our full hearts are swelling,
our glad voices telling

the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!

Rosary in honour of Our Lady

- Dalcassian Park daily @ 6pm
- Hermitage Grotto daily @ 6.30pm
- Marian Avenue Grotto daily @ 7pm
- Corrovorrin Crescent daily @ 7pm
- Buttermilk Grotto daily @ 7pm
- Gallows Hill Grotto, daily @ 7pm
- St. Michael's Villas daily @ 7.30pm
- Loughville Grotto daily @ 8pm
- Ballybeg Grotto daily @ 8pm
- Fountain Grotto daily @ 8.30pm

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;

Proclaim to the ends of the earth:

The Lord has freed his people, 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

Ac 8:5-8.14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

R

'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!'

Come and see the works of God,

tremendous his deeds among men. R

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod.

Let our joy then be in him;

he rules for ever by his might. R

Come and hear, all who fear God.

I will tell what he did for my soul:

Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer

Nor withhold his love from me. R.

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

1 Pt 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,

And my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'

Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jn 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it

neither sees nor knows him; but you know him,

because he is with you, he is in you.

I will not leave you orphans;

I will come back to you.

In a short time the world will no longer see me;

but you will see me,

because I live and you will live.

On that day you will understand that I am in my Father

and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be the one who loves me;

and anybody who loves me will be

loved by my Father,

and I shall love him and show myself to 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 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

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,

And I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,

To abide with you for ever, alleluia.