

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>

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 30th July, 2023

In ár gcroíthe go deo – In our hearts forever.



This weekend St. Michael's Villas celebrates seventy years since the construction of the estate in 1953. The seventy-six houses and two shops were built by Clare County Council and cost €100,000 to construct.

St. Michael's was built for rural people primarily and most of the people who took up residence there in September, 1953 were staying in lodgings in Ennis town, but originated from various parts of the county. Many also were native Ennis people. They were thrilled with their new homes and arrived there with great determination, hope and a strong faith with the Grotto to Our Lady at the centre of their community. The first generation of St. Michael's children

together with the current residents have planned a very eventful weekend to honour the memory and the legacy of the first residents and also to celebrate seventy years of community at it's very best.

The theme of their celebrations is *In ár gcroíthe go deo – In our hearts forever* – where they remember their deceased loved ones but also keep St. Michael's in their hearts as a place of great memories, lifetimes friendships and good values.

An SMV70 choir of over fifty people has been formed to sing at Mass in the Grotto. People are overjoyed to come together to give thanks and praise for the great memories of St. Michael's.

This sense of connection and belonging is so central to our experience as humans, that great feeling that we belong and can share in a loving, caring community is needed now more than ever.

We wish every blessing to the residents of St. Michael's Villas. May they continue to flourish.



Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much.

–Helen Keller

Priest on Duty 30th July 2023
Contact: Fr. David Carroll 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat. 6.30pm: Matt Corry, Loughville. MM.
 Christina Coughlan, Clonroadbeg.
 Josie O'Shea, Ard na Gréine.
 Michael & Bridie O'Donoghue, Limerick Rd.
 Mary O'Sullivan, Drumcliffe.

Sun 30th 8am: Johnny Flynn, Connolly Villas.
9.30am: William & Teresa Clohessy, Drumcliffe.
 Paschal & Betty Hanrahan, Gallows Hill.
11.30am: Evelyn Sheehan, Limerick & Knockalough.
 Jim Howard, Shannon Park.
 David Cullinan, Clonroad. **1st Anniv**

Mon 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: Justina Houlihan & Family.
7.30pm: Patricia Nelson, Navan & College Rd. MM
Tues 7.40am Book of Intentions.
11am: Frank Lynch, Golf Links Rd.
 Anne & Martin Griffin, Shanaway Rd.
7.30pm: Special Intention.
Wed 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: Mary Cuffe & Family, Co. Mayo.
7.30pm: Michael Moroney & Moroney Family,
 Limerick Rd.
 Pat Joe Doohan, The Quay, Kildysart.
Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: John Minitier, Clonroadmore.
 Michael & Mary Ryan, St. Michael's Villas.
Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Rita Ryan, Summerhill. **1st Anniv.**
 Colm Flynn, Corrovorrin Drive.
 Paddy Flynn, Lifford.
Sat:11am: James O'Leary, College Grove.
6.30pm: Paulette Flynn (nee Ball), Turnpike Rd. MM.
 Mary & Dermot O'Donoghue, Kilfenora.
 PJ & Catherine McMahon, Ballybeg.
Sun 6th 8am: No intention booked.
9.30am: Padraic Barrett, Elm Park.
 Costelloe & O'Donoghue Family, Ennis & Cork.
 Kitty Guy Circular Rd.
 Mary Hennessy, College Green.
11.30am: Eileen Kennedy, St. Michael's Villas. MM
 Peggy Naughton, Dalcassian Drive.
 Kevin Byrne, Galway.
 Patrick O'Loughlin, Drumcaranmore.
 Patrick & Mary Kate O'Loughlin, Kilshanny.
 Daniel & Bridget Considine, Turnpike Rd. &
 Tobertaoscaín.
 Jim Scully, "Munalin", Clonroadmore.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €130 & €20. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

Newly Baptised

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

John Joseph Paul McNamara;
Chloe Grace Barrett;
David Gilberth Joyce
Lily Grace Moloney;



Just a Thought

There is so much good
 in the worst of us
 and so much bad
 in the best of us,
 that it hardly becomes
 any of us to talk
 about the rest of us.

Reek Sunday

This Sunday is known as Reek Sunday when the traditional pilgrimage takes place on Croagh Patrick. Mass will be celebrated hourly on the summit from 7am to 2pm with the opportunity of individual confession.



Next Friday is the First Friday of August. Sick and housebound parishioners will receive the Sacraments at home. If you know of any sick or housebound parishioners who would like to receive the Sacraments, please contact the Parish office.

St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: Ann Moroney, Kincora Park. MM.
 Moira Kearney, Brookville. MM.
 Christina Kelly, Glenina, Gort Rd.
 Betty McInerney, Shannon Park.
Sun 30th 10am: No intention booked.
11.45am: Nancy Tubridy, Doonbeg.
Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.
Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions..
Wed 10.30am: No intention booked.
Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.
Fri 10.30am: Tom Kearney, Gordon Drive.
Sat: 10.30am: Freddie Nightingale, Elm Park.
7pm: No intention booked.
Sun 6th 10am: Padraic Barrett, Elm Park.
11.45am: Kathleen O'Malley, Cloverhill, Tulla Rd.
 Betty Mounsey, Marian Ave.

Rest in Peace



Tommy Doherty, McNamara Park;
Bert Louer, Shallee Drive;
Mary Alice Baldwin, Woodgrove, Cloughleigh;
Rebecca K. Hogan, Shanaway Road & St.
 Senan's Road;
Frances Cullinan nee Brooks, The Green,
 Lifford;
Bernard Eustace, The Hazels, Oakleigh Wood;
Shay Madden, Old Military Barracks;
Brian Kelly, Crusheen & Ennis;

Volunteering at Carrigoran House

Carrigoran House Nursing Home has volunteer opportunities for people looking to make an impact within their community. We are seeking volunteers who are willing give their time and experience to enhance the lives of our residents through social interaction and emotional support. If you think you are a suitable fit, please contact Karina on 061 368100 or karina.mccarthy@carrigoranhouse.ie

Volunteering at Alone

Would you be willing to provide companionship to an Older Person for 1-2 hours per week? ALONE are currently seeking volunteers for both their Visitation Support and Befriending Service, and Telephone Support Service in Lorrha and surrounding areas. Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up at www.alone.ie
 For more information, contact Aoife at Aoife.dennehy@alone.ie or 086 0120221.
 If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you, please call 0818 222 024.'



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 9.30am: Morgan & Mary Finucane & Family,
 Moy, Lahinch.
Thu 9.30am: Michael & Moira Madigan, Lahinch Rd.

Ennis Parish
 Development Fund
 for Sunday 23rd July

Fund **€5,829**
 Online **€279.50**

Grow Mental Health, Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issue through 12 Step Programme of connection, hope, identity by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth through education, peer support and self-teaching. Ennis Meeting, Maria Assumpta Hall, Ennis. Monday 7-9pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/
www.grow.ie

Diocesan Appointments



This weekend some parishes and pastoral areas of our Diocese will welcome new priests who were recently appointed.

At this time of new beginnings we wish all priests taking up new appointments every blessing as they once again answer the call to new beginning.

Fr Des Hillery moves to Corofin and the Imeall Boirne Pastoral Area.

Fr. Damien Nolan moves to Sixmilebridge and the Tradaree Pastoral Area.

Fr. Harry Bohan who lives in Shannon becomes an assistant priest in the Tradaree Pastoral Area.

Fr. Willie McCormack, Puckane becomes an assistant priest in the Ódhran Pastoral Area.

Fr. Martin Shanahan, Inagh becomes an assistant priest to the Crioicha Callan Pastoral Area.

Fr. Michael Geraghty & Fr. Tom Whelan move to Shannon & Tradaree Pastoral Area.

Fr. Arnold Rosney goes to Emigrant Chaplaincy Mission, Atlanta, U.S.A.

Fr. Kieran Blake moves to Bodyke and the Inis Cealtra Pastoral Area.

Fr. James Michael moves to Castleconnell and the Scath na Sionainne Pastoral Area.

Fr. Dariusz Plasek who ministered here in Ennis and to the Polish Chaplaincy returns to his native Diocese of Radom in Poland.

Fr. Lorcan Kenny will move to Portroe on December 1st to minister in the Odhran Pastoral Area.

Of the 58 parishes in the Diocese, 27 parishes have no resident priest under 75 years of age.

Year of Vocations to Diocesan Priesthood

This year is dedicated to praying for Vocations to Diocesan Priesthood. In the Killaloe Diocese, at the present time we have three young men discerning their vocation to serve as priests in our diocese. Please pray for them every day.



Prayer for Our Priests

Gracious and loving God,
we thank you for the gift of our priests.

Through them, we experience
your presence in the sacraments.

Help our priests to be
strong in their vocation.

Grant them the wisdom,
understanding, and strength they need
to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Inspire them with the vision
of your Kingdom.

Give them the words
they need to spread the Gospel.

Allow them to experience joy in their ministry.

Help them to become instruments
of your divine grace.

Inspire others to follow
their example and continue to answer
the call to serve as priests in our Diocese.

Amen

World Youth Day



This is the largest youth event in the world and it will be held in Lisbon, Portugal this week from Tuesday to next Sunday. Pope Francis will attend the event next weekend. Since the beginning of World Youth Day in 1986 by the late Pope John Paul II, it has been held in cities across the world such as Buenos Aires, Paris, Toronto, Rome, Sydney and most recently in Panama City.

The purpose of World Youth Day is to take up the main concern of Pope John Paul II, a renewal of faith that will reach young people. Throughout the past 25 years of WYD, huge numbers across the globe have come together to pray and worship in a festive atmosphere of music, song and more.

22 young people from the Diocese of Killaloe under the leadership of Fr. Donagh O'Meara and Deirdre Convey will represent the Diocese this week at this great international gathering of young people from all around the world. The parish of Ennis will be represented by sisters, Samrin & Rebecca Inayar, who faithfully serve the 11:30am Mass each Sunday. Joanna Lacka will also represent the Parish. Please pray for them and for all young people seeking God in their lives.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

I spioradáltacht Cheilteach bhí ár sinsir 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.

Áiméan.

Crios Chorp Chríost is Muire,

Ár dtionlacan fan bóthar,

Nára turas é in aistear,

Gura leas dúinn gach orlach. Áiméan.

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

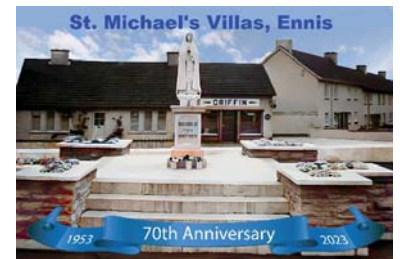
May the girdle of Jesus and Mary

Be around us on our journey

May we have a safe trip

And benefit from every inch. Amen

St. Michael's Villas 1953 – 2023 – 70th Anniversary



Celebrating 70 years
of community.

The St. Michael's Villas 70th Anniversary Exhibition continues for the whole month of August at Clare Museum, Temple Gate Plaza, 9am to 5pm Monday to Saturday.

View our video, photographs, brief history and notable people together with St. Michael's Villas' book – St. Michael's Villas – A History & Miscellany.

Free entry. All welcome.

Please sign our Visitors' Book



Lough Derg

Our Parish and Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from Bank Holiday Monday 7th to Wednesday 9th August. Total cost €130, covers bus, boat and Island Fees. Bus leaves the Cathedral at 7am on

Monday 7th August.

Early booking is recommended to secure a place. Contact Parish Office 065 6824043

Lourdes

Our Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from Monday 2nd to Saturday 7th October. € 780 euro per person sharing and full board. Booking to joewalshtours.ie Tel 01 2410800. Franciscan Pilgrimage from 22nd to 27th September. Details at the Friary. Both pilgrimages on direct flight from Shannon Airport in 1hour 50 minutes.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
He himself gives might and strength to his people.

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 first book of the Kings. 1 K 3:5.7-12

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great? It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this.

'Since you have asked for this', the Lord said, 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Lord, how I love your law!

My part, I have resolved, O Lord,
Is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me

Than silver and gold. *R*

Let your love be ready to console me
By your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I shall live
For your law is my delight. *R*

That is why I love your commands
More than finest gold.

That is why I rule my life by your precepts:
I hate false ways. *R*

Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light
and teaches the simple. *R*

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans. Rm 8:28-30

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made from my Father. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt 13:44-52

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.'

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

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.