## 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/franciscanfriary-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

Phone Numbers: Cathedral:- 6824043;Email: info@ennisparish.comSt. Joseph's:- 6829584Cloughleigh:- 6797489;Friary:- 6828751Ennis Parish Web Site:http://www.facebook.com/ennis.parish

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD YEAR A 6th August, 2023

"It is good for us to be here ". I often feel like that myself sitting in the church in the morning. There I am in my pew, and there He is in the tabernacle Jesus Himself. Sometimes I wish He would break open the tabernacle door and fill the church with light and the power and beauty of His divinity.

But No. There He stays – a prisoner of His promise to be with us to the end of time; a prisoner of His love for us;

a prisoner who gave up the trappings of His divinity, deprived even of the trappings of the man from Nazareth. Here He is, clothed only in the appearance of bread and wine - food for our journey back to the house of our Father.

I think of the people long ago who built this church- who "pitched this tent" here for Christ, to live among us. They were then, as we are now - the mystical body of Christ changed by baptism so as to become individually sons and daughters of God and as a faith and faithful community, the body of Christ.

Jesus said "let your light shine among men so that they may see your good deeds and give glory to the Father. Can the light of God's goodness possibly

shine in us? Can this light overcome what is dark in us, what is mean and petty?



**Can our hands be His hands** held out in friendship. In welcome, in healing and sharing?

**Can our feet walk His way** and our footprints be a safe quide for others.

**Can** our voice be his voice speaking forgiveness and peace".

It may seem impossible, but nothing is impossible for God. Remember that bit in St. John's Gospel where he talks about Jesus "in Him was life and the life was the light of men". There is always hope for us hope that we can be changed, transfigured, so as to bring some small light into our world instead of just complaining about the dark.



## Priest on Duty Sunday 6th August 2023 Fr. Joy 065 6869098





**Cathedral Renovation Appeal** 

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of  $\in 60 \& \in 100$ . We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

### Lough Derg



Our Parish & Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lough Derg leaves this Monday Morning at 7am from the Cathedral. Bishop Fintan will lead the Pilgrimage and we unite in prayer with all pilgrims taking part in the very ancient penitential exercise.

The Pilgrims will return home on Wednesday.

#### World Youth Day

Pope Francis celebrates Mass this weekend with all the people from young around the world who have gathered in Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day. 22 young people from the



Killaloe Diocese are among those present including Samrin and Rebecca Inayat and Joanna Locka from our Parish.



### Lourdes

Our Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from Monday 2nd to Saturday 7th October. €780 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.

### Year of Vocations

In this special year of prayer and encouragement for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood, please pray daily to the Lord of the Harvest.

### Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, send workers into your harvest.

May the Holy Spirit we received in Baptism touch the ears of many to offer themselves in priesthood, diaconate, religious

life and other forms of service. Give the parents and families in our

diocese the wisdom and courage to support young people in searching for and following the call of God in their lives.

Amen.

#### **Diamond Jubilarian**

Fr. Harry Brady, Clarecastle, this year celebrates 60 years of very faithful and aenerous service to the Diocese of Killaloe.



On Saturday Evening next 12th August, Fr. Harry will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at 7pm in SS Peter and Paul Church, Clarecastle. All are welcome as we congratulate Fr. Harry and thank him for his very generous support to the Abbey Pastoral Area. Ad Multos Annos.

#### Young Adult Conference

'Under Mary's Mantle' takes place in All Hallows College DCU, D09 N930 on 19th/20th August. Buy tickets on Eventbrite. Saturday only; €40; Sunday only: €30; both days: €60. Overnight rates available. Join us for talks, workshops, mass, guided holy hours and great socialising. For more information - Email: deusetpakiua@gmail.com or o85 1442423

### Youth 2000 Festival

Takes place at Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare from 10th to 13th August. The festival includes: inspiring talks, music, prayer, concert, workshops, dramas, share groups, reconciliation, healing service and mass.

Donation only and free buses from across Ireland. For more information and to book your place see: www.youth2000.ie

#### Ennis ag caint ....

Cuireann Caint agus Comhrá fáilte roimh chách le bheith páirteach leo ina gciorcail chomhrá, Dé Luain sa Copper Jug; Dé Céadaoin in O'Brien's; Dé Sathairn i Gcaife Glór, iad go léir ar 11.00am; nó Déardaoin sa Temple Gate ar 8.00pm.

Speakers of all ages, nationalities, and levels of knowledge of Irish are welcome to take part in their informal convos.

Eolas: caintaguscomhrá@outlook.com

### Sr. Eileen's Cuinne Aitheanta Dé

Thug Dia na deich n-aitheanta do Mhaois le tabhairt do na Giúdaigh. Nuair a tháinig Íosa ar an saol seo thug sé dúinne iad. Dlí Dé is ea na hAitheanta. Ní furasta i gcónaí iad a choimeád ach le grásta Dé is féidir linn cloí leo. Déanaimis machnamh orthu inniu.

Is mise an Tiarna do Dhia, ná bíodh déithe bréige agat I mo chomhair.

Ná tabhair ainm an Tiarna gan fáth. Cuimhnigh lá na Sabóide a naomhú. Tabhair dod athair agus dod mháthair

onóir.

Ná déan marú.

Ná déan drúis.

Ná déan goid.

Ná tabhair fianaise bhréige in aghaidh do chomharsan.

Ná santaigh bean do chomharsa[n.

God gave Moses the ten commandments to give to the Jews. When Jesus came on earth he gave them to us. It is not always easy to observe them but is possible with the help of God's grace.Let us reflect on them today.

I am the Lord thy God, you shall have not strange Gods before me.

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

Remember to keep holy the Sabbath Day. Honour thy father and thy mother. Thou shalt not kill.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbours'

goods

### Priory Institute

Two week online summer school on the Gospel of St. John will run from 14th/28th August. The course includes eight recorded presentations and two online zoom discussions and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Register on: prioryinstitute.com

### **SMV70** In ár gcróithe go deo - In our hearts forever



A big thank you to all who made the celebrations for the seventieth birthday of St. Michael's Villas a huge success.

The Exhibition telling the story of St. Michael's continues for the month of August at the Clare Museum, Temple Gate Plaza. Free Admission.

The latest publication from St. Michael's Villas telling the story of the past seventy years in now on sale at the Parish Office for €5.

# **Today's Scripture Readings**

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1Pt 1:16-19

Mt 17:1-9

#### Entrance Antiphon languages became his servants. In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit His sovereignty in an eternal sovereignty nor will his empire ever be destroyed. appeared. The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, with This is the word of the Lord whom I am well pleased. Listen to him. **Responsorial Psalm** R. The lord is king, PENITENTIAL RITE most high above all the earth. Ρ. Have mercy on us. O Lord C. For we have sinned against you. The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, Ρ. Show us, O Lord, your mercy. Let all the coastlands be glad. C. And grant us your salvation. Cloud and darkness are his raiment; His throne, justice and right. Ρ. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to The mountains melt like wax everlasting life. Before the Lord of all the earth. C. Amen. The skies proclaim his justice; GLORIA All peoples see his alory. Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise For you indeed are the Lord you, we bless you, we adore you, we Most high above all the earth glorify you, we give you thanks for your Exalted far above all spirits. great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, God, A reading from the second letter of St. almighty Father. Peter. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, It was not any cleverly invented myths you take away the sins of the world, that we were repeating when we brought have mercy on us; you the knowledge of the power and the you take away the sins of the world, coming of our Lord Jesus Christ; we had receive our prayer; seen his majesty for ourselves. He was you are seated at the right hand of the honoured and glorified by God the Father, Father, have mercy on us. when the Sublime Glory itself spoke to For you alone are the Holy One, him and said, 'This is my Son, the you alone are the Lord, Beloved; he enjoys my favour.' We heard you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, this ourselves, spoken from heaven, when with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the we were with him on the holy mountain. Amen. Father. So we have confirmation of what was said in prophecies; and you will be A reading from the book of Daniel right to depend on prophecy and take it as 1 Dan 7:9-10.13-14 a lamp for lighting a way through the dark As I watched: until the dawn comes and the morning Thrones were set in place and one of great star rises in your minds. age took his seat. His robe was white as snow, This is the word of the Lord The hair of his head as pure as wool. Gospel Acclamation His throne was a blaze of flames, Alleluia, alleluia! its wheels were a burning fire. This is my son, the Beloved, A stream of fire poured out, issuing from he enjoys my favour; his presence. listen to him. A thousand times ten thousand stood Alleluia! before him. A court was held and the books were A reading from the holy Gospel opened. according the Matthew I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of Jesus took with him Peter and James and heaven, his brother John and led them up a high One like a son of man. mountain where they could be alone. He came to the one of great age. There in their presence he was And was led into his presence. transfigured: his face shone like the sun On him was conferred sovereignty, and his clothes became as white as the Glory and kingship, liaht. Suddenly Moses and Elijah

and men of all peoples, nations and

appeared to them; they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three tents here, one for vou, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He was still speaking when suddenly a bright cloud covered them with shadow, and from the cloud there came a voice which said, 'this is my Son; the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they saw no one but only Jesus.

As they came down from the mountain Jesus gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vision until the Son of Man has risen from the dead."

#### 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 He will come again in glory to Father. 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

When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.