

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-](http://www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/st-josephs-church-webcam)

[josephs-church-webcam](http://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-](http://www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/franciscan-friary-webcam/)

[friary-webcam/](http://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

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Friary:- 6828751

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 15th October, 2023

The Synod

The 16th Ordinary General Synod of Bishops on the theme **for a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission** is now entering its third week.

Over 400 delegates from all over the world are participating in the month long gathering in Rome.

Irish participants include Bishop Brendan Leahy, Limerick, Bishop Alan Mc Guckian, Raphoe, Sr. Patrick Murray, Sr. Mary T. Barron and Fr. Eamonn Conway.

The question of the relevancy of the church in today's world—the world of the 21st Century is tied up with understanding of what and who the church is, of experience of church, of how the church functions, of the web of relationships within and without the Church and of how the church can work in a synodal way.

The Oxford dictionary defines "relevant" as "concerned with the matters in hand".

For those who think that the church is more concerned with its own power and position than with the ways of the world, then the church seems irrelevant. For those who think the church is out of step with the modern world and out of touch with what really matters to people in their daily lives, the Church may appear irrelevant.

Yet this image of the Church is very much impoverished.

It is a static image of the Church, an image without the life or growth.

It is an image of a Church that can do nothing with the modern world only condemn it, not of dialogue but monologue.

Yet this is not the image the church has of herself in relation to the world. It is over 60 years since the church articulated a vision that the church has of herself in relation to the world.

The Church manifests itself by being the living, loving, compassionate and challenging presence of Jesus Christ in our world today.

The Church is alive and real and the meaning of our existence is revealed when Christ is made present through us. Then the Mystery of life is revealed and our society has a soul.

In this month long gathering, known as a Synod, Pope Francis, Bishops,

Priests, Religious and Lay Folk are all trying to rediscover a way of being a Church that puts at the heart of our parishes, a sense that we are all in this together.

This meeting in Rome this month is very important. It may be one of the most important Church Gathering since this Second Vatican Council in the early 1960's.

Please pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pope Francis and on all involved. Pray for renewal of faith and a new springtime





Priest on Duty 15th October, 2023
Contact: Fr. Pat Malone - Tel.065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Jimmy Kenny, John Paul Ave. **1st Anniv.**
 Frank Brennan, Clonroad. **1st Anniv.**
 Michael Fitzpatrick, Slaveen.
 Anne Manton, Ardlea Road.
 Francie McMahon, Morrissey Avenue.
 Kieran Casey, Military Barracks, Kilrush Rd.
 & Turnpike Rd.
 Eileen Mungovan, Gort na mBlath, Tulla Rd.
 Fursey O'Connor, Collins Park.

Sun 15th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Maura & Eddie Cotter, Victoria Court.
 Niamh O'Dea, New Rd.
 Gary Michael O'Loughlin, England. Blessing of Ashes.

11.30am: Arthur & Andrzej Mroz, College Green & Poland. **1st Anniv.**
 Mary & Tony Carey, Carmody St.
 John Moroney, Cusack Rd.
 Susan Fagan (nee Flanagan), Doughmore & Dublin.
 Kathleen & Paddy Hannon, Considine Rd.

Mon 7.40am: Sr. Mary Mercy Meaney, Kilkenny.
 Mary Lernihan, Gallows Hill.

11am: James (Jim) Molloy, Ballaghboy, Quin Rd.

7.30pm: Cropera Family, Turnpike Rd.
 Bridget Doherty, Gort Rd.
 Tom & Elizabeth Carroll, Castleshane.

Tues 7.40am: Book of Intentions.

11am: Andy Hogan, St. Flannan's Tce.
 Anna **1st Anniv.** & Anthony Monahan, Clancy Park.
 Maura Kelly, Abbey St.

7.30pm: John Raftery, Galway.

Wed 7.40am: Donor's Intention.

11am: Michael Halpin, Carmody St.

7.30pm: Margaret Linehan, Cork & Downey Family, Hermitage.

Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Bridie O'Connor, Cashel, Tipperary.

7.30pm: Brigid White, Park Ave.
 Paddy & Lena Kearney, Circular Rd.
 Kieran Casey, Military Barracks & Turnpike Rd.
 Francis O'Halloran, Bodyke.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Donor's Intention.

7.30pm: No intention booked.

Sat:11am: Maureen Toop, Shragh, Moyasta & London.
 James & Bridget Dilleen, Clonroad.
 Pádraig O'Halloran, Woodlawn.
 Susan Lillis, Limerick Rd.
 Mary Margaret & Tom Joe Coffey, Tobertaoscáin.

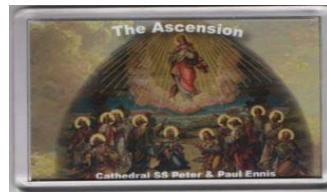
6.30pm: Esther & Christopher Gilligan, Cloughleigh.
 Nellie Daly, Clare Rd.
 Maureen Callinan, Urlanmore, Newmarket-on-Fergus.
 John Flynn, Turnpike Rd.

Sun 22nd 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Denis & Pauline Horgan, Tobertaoscáin.

11.30am: Mary Mahony, Parnell St.
 Buddy & Joan Dinan, Waterpark Heights & Dalcassian Park.
 Frank Moroney & Moroney Family, Hermitage.
 Michael Evans, Hillcot, Golf Links Rd.
 Mary O'Connell, Limerick Rd.
 Jimmy George Murphy, Philippines. **MM.**
 Jack Moloney, Hermitage & Old Mill St.

Tiles for the Aisles Appeal



Fr. Tom acknowledges contributions of €200 x 2, €100 x 2, €50 x 2, €40 received in the past week. We also appreciate and thank the many people who have called to the parish office and purchased Fridge Magnets of Fresco of the Ascension painting in the Sanctuary of the Cathedral. €3 each or 2 for €5. All proceeds to the Tiles for the Aisles Appeal. An ideal gift or blessing for a home. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

Progress of Work

The work of restoration of the floor and restoring and where necessary replacing tiles in the Cathedral is continuing. We apologise for the disturbance while the work continues. It is hoped that this work will be completed by Christmas. Thank you for your understanding.

Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday is Pope Francis' Annual Appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. The Second Collection at all Masses next weekend supports missionaries.

Gathering of Priests

Bishop Fintan and priests of the Diocese will gather in Loughrea on this Sunday Afternoon until lunchtime on Wednesday. This annual gathering is an opportunity for fraternal support and discussion. Please pray for your priests. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday there will be no Mass in Cloughleigh and St. Joseph's. Normal mass times in the Cathedral and our thanks to our Franciscan Friars for their help in our absence.

Newly Baptised
We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:
Ellie May Murray
Tadhg Liam Meaney



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: Eileen Connellan, Loughville, Lahinch Rd. **1st Anniv.**
 Anna McLoughlin, Ard na Gréine.

Sun 15th 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: No intention booked.

Mon 10.30am: No Mass.

Tues 10.30am: No Mass.

Wed 10.30am: No Mass.

Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.

Fri 10.30am: No intention booked.

Sat: 10.30am: Nuala Keane, Tullyodea, Ruan & Kincora Park.

7pm: Seán & Kay Horgan, Kincora Park.

Sun 22nd 10am: Aidan MM & Suzanne Reilly, Corrovorrin Crescent.

11.45am: Margaret Hanrahan, Ashfield Park. **1st Anniv.**
 Michael & Mai Tully, Shannon Park.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Monday 9.30am: No Mass.

Tuesday 9.30am: No Mass.

Wednesday 9.30am: No Mass.

Fri 9.30am: James & Ethel Hunt, Dublin & Kilkee.

Sun 22nd 11am: Flannan Broderick, The Crescent.
 Paddy & Christina Coote, Considine's Tce.
 Thomas, Esther & John O'Brien, Hermitage.

Vocations

Thinking of those considering a vocation to the priesthood and hoping to serve the people of the Diocese of Killaloe, we borrow the words of St. Paul, "*fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise.*"

Contact Fr. Iggy McCormack, Vocations' Director
 086 2777 139.



St. Anthony's Magazine

The latest edition of St. Anthony's Magazine is available for sale both in the Friary and Cathedral at €2 per copy, supporting the work of the Franciscan Friars in this the month of the Missions.

REST IN PEACE



Martin Daly, Mayfield, College Rd.;

Brian Monahan, U.K. & Market Street, Ennis;

Fr. John Carey, Dublin, brother of Michael Carey, Loughville;

Carmel Collins, Roslevan and Coláiste Muire.

Noreen Moloney, Dalcassian Park.

Synod on Synodality in Rome.



This week the Synod continued in Rome with the commencement of the next module of discernment entitled. "A communion that radiates: How can we be more fully a sign and instrument of union with God and of the unity of all humanity?" In the language of the Second Vatican Council the Synod reflected on the mission of the Church to be in Christ, the sign and instrument of unity with God and all humanity. In the introductions the participants were reminded that communion is the beauty of diversity in the midst of unity. That communion exists in concrete, tangible realities such as "the life that offers bread for the hungry, healing for the suffering, rest for the troubled". Thirdly, communion was presented as the participation that ties us to others across time and space. In short it is open for everybody, everywhere. Their discussions, prayer and discernment were to be focuses on the question of a dignified communion where the Church encounters Christ who already sits at table with the poorest. Included in the topics for discernment were migrants, those who suffer abuse, those who are not accepted and welcomed for whatever reason and the issue of sexual identity.

Charitable Donation Scheme

At this time of year many parishioners who participate in the Tax Rebate Scheme are receiving a new Enduring Certificate CHY3 for signing, which will be valid for five years. Parishioners who contribute a minimum of €250 to the parish in a year and who pay tax can participate at no extra cost and the parish will benefit. In the past week the parish received €31,874.46 from Revenue for the year 2022. We thank all who participate and if you would like to find out more about the scheme, contact the Parish Office.

Cemetery Sunday

Sunday 5th November is Cemetery Sunday for the Parish of Ennis.

12.30pm: Prayers at the Columbarium in the Cathedral.

2pm: Prayers – Corrovorrin Cemetery.

3pm: Prayers – Drumcliffe Cemetery.

Ennis Lions Club and Clare FM Charity Auction is live right now. Browse and Bid on over 180 items to support Clare Haven and Bushypark - local services for local people. Go to ennislionsclub.ie/auction/ and follow the links - something for every budget and some real bargains to be had to support our charities!

Ennis Flower and Garden Club present Tom Stewart, Clarinbridge, for a Garden Talk at Treacy's West County Hotel, Ennis on Tuesday October 17th. Doors open at 7.30pm and Garden Talk commences at 8.15pm sharp, €10 non members, all are welcome,



MCYC - Mid Clare Youth Connect is a youth group which meets on a monthly basis in Fahy Hall/ Church of Our Lady, Roslevan, Ennis. The group engage in fun games, learn about their faith & grow in friendship during their meet ups. The first meeting this year will take place on Sunday 22nd October from 6pm -8pm.

For more info please contact Fr. Donagh O' Meara 087 2322140 Myriam Black myrblack@gmail.com Joanne O' Brien joanneobrien07@gmail.com

Clare Roots' Society



Clare Roots' Society Talk on Thursday 19th October at 7.30pm in the Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Rd. Ennis, V95F782

Talk: *Putting Meat On The Bones Of Your Family Tree* by Larry Brennan.

Annual membership €20 or €5 on the door on the night.

Going Forward in Faith, Hope & Love



Killaloe Diocese

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A letter from Bishop Fintan Monahan

Autumn 2023

A Pastoral Letter from Bishop Fintan, 'Going forward in Faith, Hope and Love' will be launched in the Diocese on the weekend of Mission Sunday, October 21st-22nd. It is the fruit of 16 gatherings held around the Diocese in Spring of this year and the discernment that followed. Hard copies will be available in Churches that weekend and also on the diocesan website.

World Diabetes Day Celebrations

Diabetes Ireland is delighted to announce that as part of our World Diabetes Day Celebrations, our face-to-face Free Annual Health Awareness Exhibition will be held in the Limerick Strand Hotel on Sunday 5th November 2023 from 12:00 pm to 4:30 pm and is dedicated to people and their families living with Diabetes.

We will be hosting several education workshop streams for people living with Type 1 Diabetes and Type 2 Diabetes and parents of children living with Diabetes. For more information, contact 01 8428118 or email info@diabetes.ie

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Pray A Rosary

October

Month of the Holy Rosary

Tá Mí Dheireadh Fómhair, mí lár an Fómhair, buailte linn. Mí Dheireadh Fómhair, Mí na Corónach Muire, Mí na meala, tús na bliana acadúla. I Mí Dheireadh Fómhair bí linn a losa.. Is féidir linn iarracht a dhéanamh ar ngrá don Mhaighdean Mhuire a léiriú i rith na míosa seo tríd an Choróin Mhuire a rá go rialta agus sinn ag machnamh ar bheatha an tSlánaitheora, ar a bhás agus a aiséirí glórmhar. Leanaimis ag guí ar son na síochána ar fud an domhain.

*A Dhia na Trócaire éist lenár nguí.
Tabhair solás do dhaoine dobrónacha.
Go dtuga tíortha eile dídean dóibh
agus go gcuirfead fáilte rompu.
Go dtiontaí lucht armáilte ón gcogadh.
Go gcumhdaí Dia iad siúd
ata tugtha don tsíocháin. Áiméan.*

October is here. October, Month of the Rosary, Month of abundance. Be with us Lord during the month of October. We ought to try to display our love for Our Lady during the month by saying the rosary and meditating on the life of Our Saviour, on His death and glorious resurrection. We pray for peace in the world.

*Lord of Mercy listen to our prayer.
Comfort the sorrowful.*

May other countries welcome them.

*Transform the hearts of those
who have taken up arms.*

May God bless the peacemakers. Amen

Electrical Skills QQI level 3

This free practical course is designed to introduce learners to the most elementary laws of electricity by the means of simple experiments.

Venue: FET Centre, Ennis Campus,
Clonroad Business Park.

This course is for you if you would like to:

Learn how electricity works

Learn how to reduce your electricity bills

Learn how to wire a plug

Learn about fuses and circuit breakers in your home.

Learn how to build a simple electrical generator

Learn about Ohms law and how it can be used to make electrical calculations

For more information contact Colette

on 087 3710 318

Ennis Singers' Club

Hosting our annual Fundraiser for Sláinte an Chláir, Kilnamona on Friday, 20th October at 9.15 pm. in The Grove Restaurant, Roslevan.



Special Guest: All-Ireland Champion Storyteller/Singer Frances Kennedy of Listowel.

Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday, 8th October

Fund €4,746
Online €394.50

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

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 Fa-
ther, 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 prophet Isaiah.

Is 25:6-10

On this mountain,
the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples
a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine
wines, of food rich and juicy,
of fine strained wines.
On this mountain He will remove the
mourning veil covering all peoples,
and the shroud enwrapping all nations,
He will destroy Death for ever.
The Lord will wipe away
the tears from every cheek;
he will take away his peoples shame
everywhere on earth,
for the Lord has said so.
That day, it will be said: See, this is our God
in whom we hoped for salvation;
the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.
We exult and we rejoice
that he has saved us;
for the hand of the Lord
rests on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R. *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever.*

The Lord is my shepherd;
There is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
Where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me,
To revive my drooping spirit.

R

He guides me along the right path;
He is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness
No evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your
staff;
With these you give me comfort.

R

You have prepared a banquet for me
In the sight of my foes
My head you have anointed with oil;
My cup is overflowing.

R

Surely goodness and kindness
shall follow me
All the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
For ever and ever.

R

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians. Ph 4:12-14.19-20

I know how to be poor and I know how to
be rich too. I have been through my
initiation and now I am ready for anything
anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach,
poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot
master with the help of the One who gives
me strength. All the same, it was good of
you to share with me in my hardships. In
return my God will fulfil all your needs, in
Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can.
Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The Word was made flesh
and lived among us;*

To all who did accept him

He gave power to become children of God.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel accord- ing to Matthew. Mt 22:1-14

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of
the people: 'The kingdom of heaven may be
compared to a king who gave a feast for his
son's wedding. He sent his servants to call
those who had been invited, but they would
not come. Next he sent some more

servants. "Tell those who have been invited
he said "that I have my banquet all
prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have
been slaughtered, everything is ready.
Come to the wedding." But they were not
interested: one went off to his farm, another
to his business, and the rest seized his
servants, maltreated them and killed them.
The king was furious. He despatched his
troops, destroyed those murderers and
burnt their town. Then he said to his
servants, "The wedding is ready; but as
those who were invited proved to be
unworthy, go to the cross-roads in the town
and invite everyone you can find to the
wedding." So these servants went out onto
the roads and collected together everyone
they could find, bad and good alike; and the
wedding hall was filled with guests.

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 Scrip-
tures. 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 for-
giveness of sins and I look forward to the
resurrection of the dead and the life of the
world to come. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

**The rich suffer want and go hungry
But those who seek the Lord
lack no blessing.**