

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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Friary:- 6828751

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TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 22nd October, 2023

MISSION SUNDAY



The theme that Pope Francis has chosen for Mission Sunday 2023 is "Hearts on fire, feet on the move"

It is inspired by the experience of the disciples on the way to Emmaus. In his message for Mission Sunday, the Pope reminds us that the two disciples were confused

and dismayed, but their encounter with Christ in the word and in the breaking of the bread sparked in them the desire to set out again and proclaim that the Lord had truly risen. The Pope expands three images to illustrate the transformation that the presence of Christ made real: *their hearts burned within them* as they heard the Scriptures explained by Jesus, *their eyes were opened* as they recognised him and *their feet set out* on the way.

Jesus walked with the disciples. The Lord never tires of being with us, despite all our failings, doubts, weaknesses, and the dismay and pessimism that make us become men and women of little faith. Today, the Risen Lord still walks beside us, particularly when we feel disoriented, discouraged or fearful. The Lord is greater than all our problems.

After listening to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, the risen Jesus, *"beginning with Moses and all the prophets, explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself"* (Lk 24:27). The hearts of the disciples were delighted. They later confided to each other: *"Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?"* (v. 32). Jesus is the living Word, who alone can make

our hearts burn within us, as he enlightens and transforms them. A cold heart can never make other hearts burn!

They gathered at table. Jesus took the bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them. Yet at the very moment when they recognised Jesus in the breaking of the bread, *"he vanished from their sight"*. Christ, who breaks the bread, now becomes the bread broken, shared with the disciples and consumed by them. He is seen no longer, for now he has entered the hearts of the disciples, to make them burn all the more, and this prompts them to set out immediately to share with everyone their unique experience of meeting the Risen Lord. To bear fruit we must remain united to Jesus. This is achieved through daily prayer, particularly in Eucharistic adoration, as we remain in silence in the presence of the Lord, who remains with us in the Blessed Sacrament. "Stay with us, Lord!"

After their eyes were opened and they recognised Jesus *"in the breaking of the bread"*, the *disciples "set out without delay and returned to Jerusalem"* (cf. Lk 24:33). One cannot truly encounter the risen Jesus without being set on fire with enthusiasm to tell everyone about him. Therefore, the resource of the mission are people who have come to know the risen Christ in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist, who carry his fire in their heart and his light in their gaze. They bear witness to the life that never dies, even in the most difficult of situations and in the darkest of moments.

So let us set out once more, enlightened by our encounter with the risen Lord and prompted by his Spirit. Let us set out again with burning hearts, with our eyes open and our feet in motion. Let us set out to make others hearts burn with the word of God, to open the eyes of others to Jesus in the Eucharist, and to invite everyone to walk together on the path of peace and salvation that God, in Christ, has bestowed upon all humanity.

Our Lady of the Way, pray for us!



Priest on Duty:
Contact: Fr Ger Jones - Tel: 065 6869098

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Esther & Christopher Gilligan, Cloughleigh.
Nellie Daly, Clare Rd.
Maureen Callinan, Urlanmore, Newmarket-on-Fergus.
John Flynn, Turnpike Rd.
Paulette Fitzpatrick, Harmony Row & Hermitage.
Sun: 22nd 8am: No intention booked.
9.30am: Denis & Pauline Horgan, Tobertaoscaín.
11.30am: Jimmy George Murphy, Philippines. **MM.**
Mary Mahony, Parnell St.
Frank Moroney & Moroney Family, Hermitage.
Michael Evans, "Hillcot," Golf Links Rd.
Mary O'Connell, Limerick Rd.
Jack Moloney, Hermitage & Old Mill St.
Buddy & Joan Dinan, Waterpark Hts & Dalcassian Pk.
Mon: 7.40am: Ptk, Beatrice & Tom Foley & Marion Reed.
11am: Special Intention.
7.30pm: Keane Family, Lower Market St.
Maisie & Jimmy Henchy, Ennistymon.
Frances, Margaret & Deceased Greene Family,
Newmarket-on-Fergus.
Phil & Tony Millar, Limerick Rd., & Newmarket-on-Fergus.

Tues: 7.40am Book of Intentions.

11am: Crowley Family, Clonakilla &
Callinan Family, Cooraclare & Tullabrack.

7.30pm: Susan Feore, Phoenix Court **MM.**
Moloney Family, Kilmihil & Marian Ave &
Michael Casey, Turnpike Rd.

Wed: 7.40am: Pat & Kitty Kissane &
Ger O'Brien, Ennis, Dublin & Cork.

11am: Darragh Hennessy, Avondale, Kilrush Rd.

7.30pm: Denis Sexton, Hermitage.
Griffin Family, Parnell St. & Francis St.
Irene Gleeson, Sixmilebridge.
Vincent Griffin, Ard Aoibhinn, Limerick Rd.
Mary Coughlan, Lissycasey.
Packie & Frances Eustace, Kilrush Rd.

Thurs: 7.40am: Susan & Vincent Crowley, Ennis Rd. Kilrush.

11am: Eileen & Willie O'Carroll, Ennis.

7.30pm: Daniel Pyne, McNamara Park.
Peggy & Paddy Sheehan, St. Flannan's Tce.
Mary Flynn, Childers' Rd.

Delia & Paddy O'Brien & O'Mahony Family, Marian Ave.

Fri: 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Teresa Kenny, Rathflyn, Corofin.

7.30pm: Frank Coffey, Considine Rd.

Assumpta Sheehan, Coopers' Place & Turnpike. **MM.**

Sat: 11am: Tony Sweeney, Honeywell.

Stephen & Eileen Kenny, Cornmarket St.
Patsy & Tommy Moloney, St. Michael's Villas

6.30pm: Kathleen Quinn, Park Ave. **1st Anniv.**

Paul **1st Anniv** Patrick & Mary Crowley, Cahercalla Est.

Paschal O'Brien, Park Ave.

Anne Marie Lucas Cusack Rd.

Tommy Cullinan, Waterpark.

Kay Hanberry, Roslevan.

Colette & Eamon Kelly, Brookville & Woodview.

Maureen Callinan, Newmarket-on-Fergus.

Divino Oliveira, Phoenix Court.

Anthony Summerly, Considine Rd. **MM.**

Sun: 29th 8am: Pat & Mai Tynan, Ennis & Limerick.

9.30am: Kitty, Jimmy & Daly Family, Cloughleigh.

Noel Slattery, John Paul Avenue.

Kathleen Hanrahan & Pappy Gleeson, Dalcassian Pk.

11.30am: Breda Murphy, 'Drummin', Gort Rd.

Therese O'Brien, Ashfield Park.

Thomas & Margaret Coughlan, Clonroadbeg.

Dan Neylon, Ballyalla.

Martin & Maureen O'Halloran, Claureen.

Mary Kierse, Loughville & Brookville.

Tiles for the Aisles Appeal

Work is progressing on the floor of the Cathedral. The original tiles are being restored and replaced where necessary. Apologies for the inconvenience this is causing as the work continues each day. Grateful thanks to the many people who are making once off donations to the appeal. In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge: €2,000; €1,000; €500; €300; €100; €50; €40

We also grateful to the many people who are calling to the parish office to purchase fridge magnets of the Fresco of The Ascension on the sanctuary of the Cathedral that are for sale €3 each to two €5 with all proceeds going to the floor restoration.

Mission Sunday



The second collection at all Masses this weekend is the worldwide appeal of Pope Francis for support for missionaries working in the poorest areas of the world. Your generosity will be very much appreciated.

Newly Baptised



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

Emilia Dhira Murphy Sanitchon.

St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: Seán & Kay Horgan, Kincora Park.
Sun: 22nd 10am: Aiden **MM** & Suzanne Reilly, Corrovorrin Crescent.
11.45am: Margaret Hanrahan, Ashfield Pk. **1st Anniv.**
Michael & Mai Tully, Shannon Park.
Mon: 10.30am: No intention booked.
Tues: 10.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed: 10.30am: No intention booked.
Thu: 10.30am: Michael Dormer, Rosanore.
Fri: 10.30am: Jimmy Frawley, Corrovorrin & Australia.
Larry Frawley, Hermitage & England.
Sat: 10.30am: James & Sheila Corry, Lissycasey.
7pm: Sheila & Gerald Murray, Newmarket on Fergus.
Marie O'Gorman, Shannon Park.
Sun: 29th 10am: Helen, Edward & Linda Cuddihy, St. Senan's Rd.
11.45am: Bernadette O'Loughlin, Old Gort Rd.
Frank McInerney, College Green.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun: 22nd 11am: Flannan Broderick, The Crescent.
Paddy & Christina Coote, Considine's Tce.
Thomas, Esther & John O'Brien, Hermitage.
Mon: 9.30am: Special Intention.
Tue: 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Sun: 29th 11am: Francis White, Considine Rd.

Ennis Parish Office



Now offering Christmas Cards
Christmas Mass Bouquets
We also have a selection
of Cribs and Christmas Gifts

All proceeds to Cathedral Renovation Appeal.

Canon Dan Spaight RIP

Daniel Joseph Spaight was born on 18th October 1934 in the Parish of Cratloe. He attended the local national school; St. Flannan's College and St. Patrick's College, Thurles, where he was ordained to the Priesthood, in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Thurles on 14th June 1959 for service in the Diocese of Middlesbrough. He was one of 437 priests ordained in Ireland that year.

For the next 50 years Fr. Dan served Middlesbrough Diocese in various parishes and as Diocesan Director of the Lourdes Pilgrimage. In 2010 Canon Dan retired to Ennis where he lived in Ard na Greine and served as a supply priest in various parishes. He had a particular ministry in Oatfield Church and as a confessor in Emmanuel House of Prayer, Clonfert.

Canon Dan has been described as a kind and generous priest with a huge pastoral heart. He always made time for people.

On Wednesday 18th October, the day of this 89th birthday, he was laid to rest in Ballysheen Cemetery, Sixmilebridge. His funeral Mass was celebrated in the Cathedral, Ennis.

To his sisters Mary, brother Seamus, nieces and nephews, we thank you for Canon Dan who enriched our lives and by his priestly life led us to God.

May his gentle soul, rest in peace.



Sr. Breda Naughton RIP



Sr. Breda Naughton, St. Xavier's Convent, Ennis, and formerly of Tullig, Cross, Co. Clare, died peacefully on Friday 13th. Oct. 2023, in the loving care of the staff and sisters at Catherine McAuley Nursing Home, Limerick; she is pre-deceased by her parents, Patrick and Mary and survived by her sisters, Susan, Mary, Anne, Josephine, Carmel, Helena and Rosarii and her brothers, Francis, Patrick, Michael and Con.

Breda joined the Sisters of Mercy, Kilrush, in 1963. Her professional career was totally devoted to nursing: initially in the Kilrush, and Nenagh Hospitals. In 1975 Breda joined the Mercy Mission in Kenya, where she became a staff member of Mutomo General Hospital and later ministered in clinics in remote areas around Nuu and Nguutani until 1994.

On her return to Ireland Breda worked in St. Joseph's Hospital, Ennis, St. Camillus's Hospital, Limerick, and in Cappahard Nursing Home, Ennis, before she retired to Ardlea Close, Ennis, in 2010. She moved to St. Xavier's in 2019 and to McAuley House in 2021.

Wherever she went, Breda always brought laughter and fun to those around her. She was known as a most kind, caring and capable nurse, very generous with her time and skill and much loved by all. She was very close to her family and they were very much present to her, especially in her final illness and four of her sisters were present at her death.

May her gentle soul rest in peace.

Rest In Peace

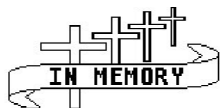
Sr. Breda Naughton: Convent of Mercy, Bóthar ná Trócaire;

Canon Dan Spaight: Ard na Greine;

Josie Moloney: McNamara Park.

Noel Jennings: Glasthule, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin, brother of John Jennings, and brother in law of Evelyn O'Donovan Jennings, Tyreda, Beechpark.

Jimmy Moroney: Golf Links Road.



Ennis Parish
Development Fund for
Sunday 15th October:
Fund €5,915.00
Online €453.50

Going Forward in Faith, Hope and Love

This weekend in all parishes in the Killaloe Diocese a Pastoral letter from Bishop Fintan is available in all churches. The full letter can be viewed on the Killaloe Diocese website.

In the letter Bishop Fintan shares the fruits of conversations that took place throughout the Diocese over the last two years. Having listened to one another the diocese of Killaloe has reached a most challenging time in its history. The diocese is now in discernment of where the Holy Spirit is leading us, as we go forward together, trying to find a system of operating within the diocese that would make life easier and work more manageable. The hope is to free up the burden of administration and leave more time for pastoral engagement, mission and evangelisation.



Masses for the Holy Souls
Mass will be offered every day in November for all those whose names are on the Deceased List of the Parish. Envelopes with lists for the Holy Souls can be collected in the Church Porches and Parish Office and returned by Thursday 2nd November. All Souls Day.

Harmony Bro men's choir in concert with Sean Dagher in Glór, on Thursday October, 26th.
Special guest, singer Fiona Ryan (Kilfenora Ceili Band)
Tickets available at Glór.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Domhnach Domhanda na Mísean.

Inniu Domhnach Domhanda na Mísean. Ón bhliain 1926 ar aghaidh tá an Eaglais ag comóradh agus ag cuimhneamh ar a mísean uilíoch. Is lá ar leith é atá eagraithe ag Craobhscaoileadh an Chreidimh chun deis a thabhairt do Chaitlicigh ar fud an domhain iad féin a ath-thiomnú d'obair mhisinéireachta na hEaglaise trí ghuí agus trí ghníomh. Déantar an ceiliúradh seo ar an lá céanna i ngach paróiste ar fud an domhain. Nuair a baisteadh sinn tugadh mísean dúinn maireachtáil mar dhaoine de chlann an tsolais agus mar thoradh ar sin tá dualgas orainn solas Chríost a chraobhscaoileadh go himill chríocha na cruinne. Ar an lá speisialta seo tugtar deis dúinn athnuachan a dhéanamh ar an mísean a thug Dia dúinn agus cabhrú le Mísean na hEaglaise lenár n-urnaithe agus ár n-íobairtí chomh maith le hairgead a chur ar fáil dár misinéirí.

Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday. Since 1926, the Church has remembered its universal mission. It is a special day set aside by Propagation of the Faith so that Catholics worldwide can rededicate themselves to the missionary work of the Church by prayer and action. Every parish in the world celebrates this day on the same date.

When we were baptised we were given the mission to live as members of the family of light and as a result we have an obligation to spread the light of Christ to the whole world. On this special day we get the opportunity to renew our commitment to the mission given to us by God and to assist the mission of the Church by our prayers and sacrifices as well as providing financial help for missionaries.

Prayer for Missionaries

We pray for missionaries of all vocations who show great courage and joy in proclaiming the Gospel in all lands. May the testimony of the authentic Christian life build strong communities of missionary disciples around the world.

Cemetery Sunday

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

12.30pm Prayers at the Columbarium in the Cathedral.

2pm Prayers in Corrovorrin Cemetery.

3pm Prayers in Drumcliffe Cemetery.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

To you I call;
for you will surely heed me, O God;
Turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye;
In the shadow of your wings protect me.

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 prophet Isaiah.

Is 45:1.4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed,
to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right
hand to subdue nations before him
and strip the loins of kings,
to force gateways before him
that their gates be closed no more:

It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,
of Israel my chosen one,
that I have called you by your name,
conferring a title though you do not
know me.
I am the Lord, unrivalled;
there is no other God besides me.
Though you do not know me, I am you
that men may know from the rising to
the setting of the sun
that, apart from me, all is nothing.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R: Give the Lord glory and power.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
Sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
And his wonders among all the peoples.

R.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
To be feared above all gods;
The gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens.

R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
Give the Lord glory and power,
Give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts.

R.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness.

R.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians. 1Th 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the
Church in Thessalonika which is in God
the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ;
wishing you grace and peace from God
the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers
and thank God for you all, and constantly
remember before God our Father how you
have shown your faith in action, worked
for love and persevered through hope, in
our Lord Jesus Christ

We know, brothers, that God loves you
and that you have been chosen, because
when we brought the Good News to you, it
came to you not only as words, but as
power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter
conviction.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*You will shine in the world like bright stars
Because you are offering it the word of
life.*

Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out

between them how to trap Jesus in what he
said. And they sent their disciples to him,
together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master,
we know that you are an honest
man and teach the way of God in an honest
way, and that you are not afraid of anyone,
because a man's rank means nothing to
you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permis-
sible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But
Jesus was aware of their malice and re-
plied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this
trap for me? Let me see the money you pay
the tax with.' They handed him a denarius,
and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose
name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said
to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar
what belongs to Caesar - and to God what
belongs to God.'

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 spo-
ken 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

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on
those who fear him,
Who hope in his merciful love to rescue
their souls from death, To keep them
alive in famine.