

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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Cloughleigh:- 6797489;

Friary:- 6828751

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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A) 29th October, 2023

A Time for Remembering

November is very much the month of remembering. It's an appropriate time for remembering. It is winter. The clocks have gone back to 'old time'. It is colder and darker and the frailty of life is more obvious than ever. Turning our thoughts to those who have gone before us comes naturally at this time of year. At the beginning of this month of remembrance, the Church gives us the twin observances of the Solemnity of All Saints and the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed on November 1st and 2nd - and invites us to connect with those who have gone before us; both those who are now in glory, and those who are still on their journey to the full vision of the Face of God.

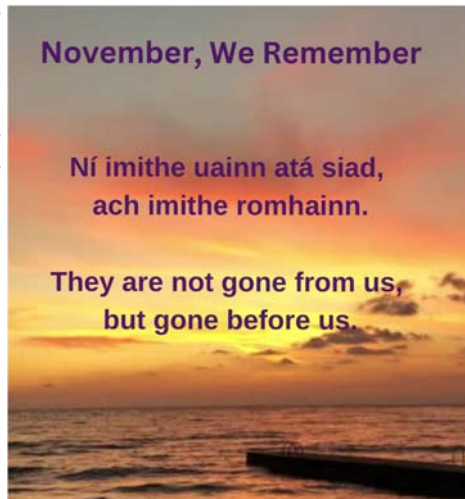
Our Celtic ancestors believed that the boundaries between human reality and the supernatural world were at their 'thinnest' at this time of year, and in particular on the eve of the festival of Samhain, when, they believed, it was possible for otherworldly spirits to be seen. This may sound like a daring claim. But the Christian message, however, is a much more daring and radical one: The boundaries between us mortals and those who have entered into eternity is not at its thinnest at any particular time of year or on any particular festival. No....It is at its thinnest - indeed it disappears entirely - when we gather around the altar of God to celebrate the Eucharist.

And so, in the Catholic tradition, our 'remembering' of our loved ones who have died isn't just sentimental nostalgic recollection. Rather, we 'remember' them in the mystery of the Eucharist - at Mass. And in that mystery, they are present to us. We don't need psychics or mediums to make contact with them, because when we gather to worship, they are with us. That is one of the things we are proclaiming when we say in the Creed that we believe in the Communion of Saints. It is a most beautiful part of our faith: Our relationship with those who have gone before us endures beyond the grave.

It is part of what we celebrate in the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed, All Souls, our loved ones who are still being purified in preparation for the vision of God - the Holy Souls - are still part of our worship. As we regularly hear in Masses for the Dead: '*For your faithful, Lord, life is changed not ended*'. Our departed loved ones pray with us; and we pray with them. We are in this together. And so we ask the prayers of each other and of those who have completed their earthly journey. And we pray with and for those who are still *en route* to the fullness of their heavenly reward. To pray for the dead is to do no more than to express our faith in the reality of that our relationship with them continues beyond death and the grave. It is the most natural thing in the world and we do it almost by instinct, in the same way as we automatically whisper a prayer for a loved one undergoing medical treatment or embarking on a major journey.

St Thomas More put it most beautifully in his last letter to his daughter Margaret on the night before he was executed in 1535: '*Pray for me, and I shall for thee, that we may merrily meet in heaven*'. The veil between us and our departed loved ones is at its most porous when we pray the Sanctus during Mass. As the liturgy says: '*And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim: Holy, Holy, Holy.....*'

We sing, not only with angels, but with those whom we have loved and see no longer, those with whom we are still bound together in the communion of saints. We offer our thanksgiving and praise WITH them. And Jesus comes to meet us, to nourish us, to console us and to heal us. He who knew suffering, rejection and death, is dead no more. And in this feat of his Body and Blood, he gives us, and all for whom we pray, the pledge of life eternal.





Priest on Duty 29th October 2023
Contact Fr. Tom Fitzpatrick 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Divino Oliveira, Phoenix Court. MM
 Anthony Summerly, Considine Rd. MM.
 Kathleen Quinn, Park Ave. **1st Anniv.**
 Paul **1st Anniv**, Patrick & Mary Crowley,
 Cahercalla Estate.
 Paschal O'Brien, Gort Road.
 Anne Marie Lucas, Cusack Rd.
 Tommy Cullinan, Waterpark.
 Kay Hanberry, Roslevan.
 Colette & Eamon Kelly, Brookville & Woodview.
 Maureen Callinan, Newmarket-on-Fergus.
 Don Scanlan, Willow Park & Scatterry Island.

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.
1st Anniv.
 Therese O'Brien, Ashfield Park.
 Thomas & Margaret Coughlan, Clonroadbeg.
 Dan Neylon, Ballyalla.
 Martin & Maureen O'Halloran, Claireen.
 Mary Kierse, Loughville & Brookville.

Mon: 7.40am: Bank Holiday - No Mass.
11am: Special Intention.

7.30pm: Liam Murphy, Hermitage & Ballybeg.

Tues 7.40am: Book of Intentions.
11am: Breda Quinn, Kinvara.
 Delma Carroll, O'Callaghan's Mills.

7.30pm: Luke Conway, Mullagh, Co. Cavan.

Wed: All Saints' Day- No Intentions.
Thurs: All Souls' Day—No Intentions.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.
11am: Tony Breen, Mill Road. **1st Anniv.**
 Teresa & Billy Fitzgerald, "St. Joseph's", Clare Rd.
 Mary & Luke Conway, Mullagh, Co Cavan.

7.30pm: Mary O'Neill, Carmody Street.

Sat: 11am: Tamara Shannon, Greendale.
 Galvin Family, Glengarriff, Co. Cork.
 Special Intention.

6.30pm: Nuala Kearney, Ard na Gaoithe, **1st Anniv.**
 Ben Sheehan, Turnpike.
 Peggy Connolly, College Park.

Sun 5th 8am: No Intention booked.

9.30am: Marian Hanley **1st Anniv.**
 Cyril Crew, Hermitage.
 Delia Lynch, Fergus Park.
 Costelloe & O'Donoghue Family, Ennis & Cork.
 Sarah & Esther Hurson, Summerhill.

11.30am: Nora Keavey, Claireen.
 Michael, Anne & Patrick Casey, Clonroadbeg.
 Casey, Considine & Neylon Families, Beechpark.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun: 29th 11am: Francis White, Considine Rd.
Mon: 9.30am: Bank Holiday - No Mass.
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 9.30am: Tom & Betty McDermott, Naas & UK.
Thu 9.30am: Mary Griffin, Cusack Road.
 Mary & Tom White, Cloughleigh.
Fri 9.30am: Annie Barry, Hermitage.
 Deceased Eircom Staff.
Sun 5th 11am: John, Peg & Peter Moloney,
 Cloughleigh.

Tiles for the Aisles Appeal

Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge €100, €50x3 received in the past week. Many thanks to all who are making once off contributions to the appeal and to those who are calling to the Parish Office to purchase the Fridge Magnet Fresco of the Ascension over the Sanctuary of the Cathedral. €3 each or 2 for €5.

Update on Floor Restoration of the Cathedral.

Each week as you come to Mass or to pray in the Cathedral you can see more and more of the original tiles. Some are damaged and will need replacing; others are in very good condition.

For the next four weeks the work will concentrate around the Sanctuary. This will mean that the hoarding will cover the Sanctuary area and we will be putting a temporary altar outside the hoarding.

The two side aisles and gallery will not be accessible and the only entrance to the Cathedral will be from the middle front door and the two side doors at the Columbarium and the Grotto. Space will be limited but we are confident that we will be able to accommodate all at our Masses.

We do ask for your understanding and thank you for your patience and support while this very important work of restoration is taking place. Our thanks also to Martins' Construction who are carrying out the work.

Bank Holiday Monday

Mass Times as follows:

8.30am: Poor Clare
 Monastery
 10am: Friary
 11am: Cathedral
 7.30pm: Cathedral

Please note:

No 7.40am Mass in Cathedral or 9.30am Mass in Cloughleigh.



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

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.
 Kathleen Quinn, Park Avenue. **1st Anniv.**
Mon 10.30am: Bank Holiday - No Mass.
Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 10.30am: All Saints' Day - No Intentions.
Thu 10.30am: All Souls' Day - No Intentions.
Fri 10.30am: Oliver Conway, Pine Grove.
 Kathleen Downes, Marian Avenue.
Sat: 10.30am: Niel Casey, Willow Park **1st Anniv.**
 Michael, Delia & Gerard Kenny, Old Gort Road.
 Special intention.

7pm: Eugene McNamara, Claireen & Cloverhill.
 Jimmy & Bridget Burke, Miltown Malbay.
 Jimmy Shannon Shannon Park.
 John & Alice Carmody Marian Ave.

Sun 5th 10am: Margaret & John Canny & Canny
 Family, Cragmoher, Corofin, Mickey McCabe,
 Cabra, Tara, Co. Meath.
 Carmody Family, Gort Rd.
11.45am: Morgan Family, Oran, Co. Roscommon.
 Tommy **1st Anniv.** & Kathleen O'Connell,
 UK & Miltown.



Mass for all who died in the past year

The 7.30pm Mass in the Cathedral on Thursday, All Souls' Day, will be offered for all who have died in the parish in the past year. We invite all families and individuals who are grieving the death of a loved one to join us for this special Mass of Remembrance.

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 or Parish Office and returned by next week.

**Ennis Parish
 Development Fund
 for Sunday, 22nd October**

**Fund €4,011
 Online €53**

Hallowee'en - All Hallows' Eve



Tues 31st October is known as Hallowee'en meaning the eve of the Feast of All Saints' Day. It begins the time in the Liturgical Year dedicated to remembering our dead, including Saints, Martyrs, and all the faithful departed. You are invited to spend time in Eucharistic Adoration and Prayer in the Cathedral from 5pm to 7pm. There will be a conducted Hour of Prayer from 6pm to 7pm.

Feast of All Saints Wednesday 1st November.

Vigil Mass:

Tuesday 31st October at 7.30pm in Cathedral.

Mass Times on Wednesday

7.40am	Cathedral
7.45am	Poor Clare Monastery
9.30am	Cloughleigh
10am	Friary
10.30am	St. Joseph's
11am	Cathedral
7.30pm	Cathedral

All Souls' Day



Thursday 2nd November.

A day of special remembrance for the faithful departed.

Masses of All Souls' Day

7.40am	Cathedral
7.45am	Poor Clare Monastery
9.30am	Cloughleigh
10am	Friary
10.30am	St. Joseph's
11am	Cathedral
7.30pm	Cathedral

RIP

Mary McInerney, Corrovorrin Green & Scariff.

Val Cashman, Ardnacrusa, brother of Mona Rice, Collins Park & Carmel O'Doherty, Roslevan.

Brendan Butler, John Paul Avenue, Ennis.

Des Neylon, Gallows Hill.

Diane Keane, Cusack Rd.

Anne Marie O'Regan, (nee Moloney) Orchard Grove., Gort Rd.

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.

First Friday of November



Friday 3rd November is the First Friday. 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.

Pledge for November

Most people offer spiritual support to a relation who is struggling because of alcohol or an addiction problem.

Parishioners who wish to take a short-term pledge during the month of the Holy Souls are invited to visit www.pioneers.ie/pray

Mission Sunday - Thank You

On behalf of the missionaries and those whom they serve, thank you for your generosity to their Mission Appeal last weekend. The sum of €5,883 was donated.

The Vigil of All Saints

Please join us in Ennis Cathedral this Tuesday October 31st for a holy hour of prayer, praise and worship, inspired with music from Medjugorje 6pm to 7pm, followed by mass at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Don't forget clocks go back one hour this weekend.



Newly Baptised

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

Sofia Alana Martinez Quinn

Mateo Sebastian Martinez Quinn

Padraig Hugh O'Halloran



Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Ár gCreideamh

Is é ár gCreideamh Caitliceach an tseoid is luachmhaire atá againn. Chun treoir a thabhairt dúinn é a neartú, seo seacht nós le cleachtadh: *· Iarr beannacht ar Dhia gach maidin · Tabhair lámh cúnaimh le do chomharsa in am an ghátair · Abair altú roimh agus tar éis béile · Iarr ar na naoimh idirghuí a dhéanamh ar do shon · Caith tamall ag léirsmoineamh · Glac Comaoineach Naofa mar lón anama agus neart intinne · Gabh buíochas le Dia gach oíche.*

A Dhia na Glóire neartaigh ár gcreideamh. Áiméan

Is féidir Cré na nAspal a rá go rialta freisin mar is ann atá gach a chhreidimid maidir le Dia.

Creidim i nDia, an tAthair

uilechumhachtach, cruthaitheoir neimhe agus talún; agus in Iosa Críost, a haon mhacsan, ár dTiarna, a gabhadh ón Spiorad Naomh, a rugadh ó Mhuire Óigh; a d'fhulaing páis faoi Phontius Proláit, a céasadh ar chros, a fuair bás agus a adhlacadh; a chuaigh síos go hifreann, a d'éirigh an treas lá ó mhairbh; a chuaigh suas ar neamh; atá ina shuí ar dheis Dé, an tAthair uilechumhachtach; as sin tiocfaidh sé chun breithiúnas a thabhairt ar bheo agus ar mhairbh. Creidim sa Spiorad Naomh, sa Naomh Eaglais Chaitliceach, i gcomaoin na naoimh; i maithiúnas na bpeacaí, in aiséirí na colainne, agus sa bheatha shíoraí. Áiméan.

Our Catholic Faith is our greatest treasure. To guide us to strengthen it, here are seven practices which will help:

Ask God's blessing every morning.

Help your neighbour in time of need.

Say grace before and after meals.

Ask the saints to intercede for you.

Spend time in contemplation of God's goodness.

Receive Holy Communion as spiritual food for soul and strength of mind.

Give thanks to God every night.

God of Glory strengthen our Faith. Amen.

We can recite the Creed often because it contains our beliefs. Find it in the weekly newsletter.

FCJ Spirituality House –

An Teach Spioradálta, Spanish Point (V95E0W7)

You'd be very welcome at any of our events – please see our FB page or website for more details (@FCJSpirit.ie or www.fcjspiritualityhouse.ie).

Please book in advance (lunch numbers needed!). 087 4479115 or info@fcjspiritualityhouse.ie

Fáilte isteach to all Bridge Players to the Fergus Bridge Club for the Leyden Cup Competition. Thurs 16th Nov 7.30pm.

Prizes & Raffle. Proceeds to Clare Branch of Irish Wheelchair

Association. Fee €10 per player. No handicaps apply.



Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

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 book of Exodus

Ex 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of
Israel this', "You must not molest the
stranger or oppress him, for you lived as
strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not
be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan;
if you are harsh with them, they will surely
cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their
cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you
with the sword, your own wives will be
widows, your own children orphans".

"If you lend money to any of my
people, to any poor man among you, you
must not play the usurer with him: you must
not demand interest from him".

"If you take another's cloak as a
pledge, you must give it back to him before

sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the
cloak he wraps his body in; what else
would he sleep in?

If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of
pity."

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength

I love you, Lord, my strength,
My rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge;
My shield, my mighty help,
my stronghold.

The Lord is worthy of all praise:
When I call I am saved from my foes.

R.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king
and shown his love for his anointed.

R.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

1 Th 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when
we were with you, which was for your
instruction, and you were led to become
imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was
with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took
to the gospel, in spite of the great
opposition all round you. This has made
you the great example to all believers in
Macedonia and Achaia since it was from
you that the word of the Lord started to
spread - and not only throughout
Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of
your faith in God has spread everywhere.
We do not need to tell other people about
it: other people tell us how we started the
work among you, how you broke with
idolatry when you were converted to God
and became servants of the real, living
God; and how you are now waiting for
Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the
dead, to come from heaven to save us
from the retribution which is coming.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*Open our hearts, O Lord,
To accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had
silenced the Sadducees they got together
and, to disconcert him, one of them put a
question, 'Master, which is the greatest
commandment of the Law?' Jesus said,
'You must love the Lord your God with all
your heart, with all your soul, and with all
your mind. This is the greatest and the first
commandment. The second resembles it:
You must love your neighbour as yourself.
On these two commandments hang the
whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

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 suf-
fered 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 Fa-
ther. 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 apostol-
ic 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

We will ring out our joy
at your saving help
and exult in the name of our God.