

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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TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year A 8th October, 2023

Listen

Last Wednesday October 4th we celebrated the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi that brought to an end the Season of Creation which Pope Francis introduced in early September with the theme 'Let justice and peace flow like a river'. During these past weeks we listened to our world and deepened our awareness of how each one of us is called to be a custodian of creation.

Today we hear that word again, listen. The first word spoken by Jesus in this weekend's gospel is 'Listen'. We do so during this month of October as we celebrate the month of Mission and another invitation to listen. Tomorrow, we celebrate the feast day of St. John Henry Newman (1801-90) who is very much a voice to listen to as he lived out his baptismal call. John Henry gifted us with a beautiful hymn 'Lead Kindly Light' which leads us on to sing our hearts out in praise of God. John Henry's gift as a writer was his way of being missionary. His words and thoughts have guided so many to listen to God's Word.

Also, this week we celebrate the feast day of Pope John XXIII who was guided by the Holy Spirit to call the Second Vatican Council which began on October 11 1962 in Rome. The Second Vatican Council reflected on the call to be missionary and rekindled the early church's emphasis that each baptised person is called to be missionary.

As Pope John Paul II reminded us when speaking about mission he said that each generation is a new continent to be evangelised. As we listen to the Word this weekend may we use the talents given us to plant the seed so that we can sing out praise to God and live our missionary calling given in baptism.

*Lead, kindly light,
Amid th'encircling gloom,
Lead Thou me on.
The night is dark
And I am far from home;
Lead Thou me on!
Keep Thou my feet;
I do not ask to see
The distant scene;
One step enough for me.*

(John Henry Newman 1801 - 1890)



Priest on Duty 8th October, 2023
Contact Fr. Tom Ryan - Tel 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Mary Browning, Gordon Drive. **1st Anniv.**
 Eileen Sullivan, 'Rossa', Clonroad.
 Gerry Ryan, Stonepark, Barefield.
 Brid Walsh, Ballyline, Crusheen.
 Peggy Foren, Kerry.

Sun 8th 8am: Bridget, John & Michael Mulligan,
 Ennis & Roscommon.

9.30am: No Intention booked.

11.30am: Annette Moylan, Golf Links Rd.

Mon 7.40am: Martin Meaney, Cranny.
 Nora & Seamus Stokes, Limerick.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: James Bradley, Showgrounds' Rd.
 Kathleen & Michael McGrath, O'Callaghan's Mills.

Tues:7.40am: Book of Intentions.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: No intention booked.

Wed 7.40am: Anne Keane, Kinvara & Loughrea.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Jack Heaslip, O'Connell St. **1st Anniv.**
 Irene Meere & Family, 'Four Winds', Limerick Rd.

Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Joe Moloney, McHugh Villas. **1st Anniv.**
 Martina & Bernie Browne, Circular Rd.

7.30pm: No intention booked.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Kenneth Sherriff, Bruach na hAbhann.

7.30pm: P.J. Kelly, Carmody St. **MM.**

Sat:11am: Bill Ryan, Highfield Park.
 Ellen Gill, Sandfield Park.

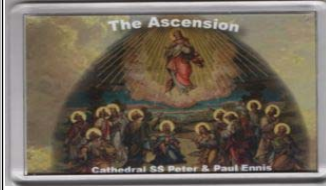
6.30pm: Jimmy Kenny, John Paul Ave. **1st Anniv.**
 Frank Brennan, Clonroad. **1st Anniv.**
 Michael Fitzpatrick, Slaveen.
 Anne Manton, Ardlea Road.
 Francie McMahon, Morrissey Avenue.
 Kieran Casey, Military Barracks, Kilrush Rd.
 & Turnpike Rd.
 Eileen Mungovan, Gort na mBlath, Tulla Rd.
 Fursey O'Connor, 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: Mary & Tony Carey, Carmody St.
 John Moroney, Cusack Rd.
 Susan Fagan, Doughmore & Dublin.

Tiles for the Aisles Appeal



Many thanks for the contribution of €300, €200, €65, €80, €50 to the appeal in the past week. We also appreciate the many people who have come 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 and blessing for a home.

Pastoral Council



There will be a meeting of the Pastoral Council on Monday at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Priests' Autumn Collection

The priests of the Pastoral Area thank all who contributed to the Autumn collection last weekend. If you were away or forgot, your contribution would still be appreciated. Envelopes are available.

Priests Inservice

The annual gathering of priests from the Killaloe Diocese will take place in Loughrea from the evening of Sunday 15th October to lunchtime on Wednesday 18th October. There will be no mass in St. Joseph's or Cloughleigh on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday 16th - 18th October. All other Masses in the parish will operate as normal thanks to the assistance of our Franciscan Friars.

Friday 13th October Children's Day of Mission Prayer



Children in our schools are invited to pray and support the work of missions on Friday next, the Annual Day of Prayer and Support from Children, for the Missions.

Newly Baptised

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

Kyle Eric Chan.
 Aoife Mae Tackaberry



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: Denis & Frances Callinan, Shannon Park.
 Joseph Hegarty, Shanaway.

Sun 8th 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: No intention booked.

Mon 10.30am: Nora Wilson, College Rd.

Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.

Wed 10.30am: Muriel & Michael McInerney,
 Coolmeen, Kilmurry McMahon.

Thu 10.30am: James Fahy, Cavan & Whitegate.
 Lelia O'Brien, Ennis.

Fri 10.30am: No intention booked.

Sat: 10.30am: No intention booked.

5pm: Michael Dillon, Inch &
 St. Senan's Rd. **1st Anniv.**

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

Sun 15th 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: No intention booked.

Construction Works at St. Joseph's Church

Work is ongoing on the roof and exterior walls of St. Joseph's Church which will then be followed by ceiling and electrical work, scheduled to be completed by December.

The church will remain open for mass and other liturgies during the week. Some areas will have restricted access on a temporary basis and these will be clearly marked.

Early in the new year it is planned to repaint the interior and new carpeting will be laid - more information on this will be given in due course. Thank you for your patience and we pray for all involved.

October the Month of Missions



October and World Mission Sunday are times for the faithful of the world to show their appreciation towards the work of overseas' missionaries. The generosity offered will be used to support missionary activities in over 1,100 struggling dioceses; mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. You can help right now. Please donate €4 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively donate at www.missio.ie or call Missio Ireland on 01 4972035. To learn more go to www.missio.ie.

Cahercalla Community Care are hosting their very own Christmas Market this year on Saturday the 2nd of December from 1pm to 6pm. We would like to invite people who would be interested in setting up a stall in our Christmas Market; we welcome all stalls including food vendors. Please contact Caroline on 0656824388 between 9 and 5pm.

Would you be interested in becoming a volunteer and have you spare time to give? Cahercalla Community Care are looking for Volunteers. If interested please contact Caroline on 0656824388 or pop in to us in Cahercalla for a chat with one of our team.

Ennis Parish
 Development Fund
 for Sunday, 1st October

Fund € 3,838
 Online €439.50

The Synod of Bishops

As the Synod continues in Rome this week, we pray for all participants and an openness to the Holy Spirit

Prayer for the Synod

Loving Father, Lord of all ages,
God of all peoples, through your Son,
Jesus Christ you have called us by name.
You have gathered
us into the family of the Church.
Send forth your Holy Spirit upon us.
Inspire Pope Francis and all those
who are assembled in Rome at this time.
Open their hearts to your voice.
Help them to recognise how best
to respond to your call.
Give us a new spirit and a new heart.
Strengthen our faith, renew your Church,
Inspire us to work for the world
where love abounds,
justice reigns and peace prevails
with Mother Mary by our side,
all this we ask of you
Amen.

Year of Prayer for Vocations

Our Diocesan Year of Prayer for Vocations continues this week when we offer a special prayer to discover your vocations.



Almighty God You have made me to know you
to love you and to serve you
And thereby to find and fulfil myself.
I know that you are in all things
and that every path can lead me to you.
But of them all, there is one path
especially by which you want me
to come to you.
Since I will do what you want of me,
I pray you, send your Holy Spirit to me,
Into my mind to show me what you want of me.
Into my heart to give me the determination
to do it, and to do it with all my love,
With all my mind, and with all my strength
right to the end. Amen.

Sr. Eileen's Cuinne

Paidir

Ag Críost an siol, ag Críost an fómhar;
in iothlainn Dé go dtugtar sinn.
Ag Críost an mhuir, ag Críost an t-iasc;
i líonta Dé go gcastar sinn.

Ó fhás go h-aois, is ó aois go bás,
do dhá láimh, a Chríost, anall tharainn.
Ó bhás go críoch, ní críoch ach athfhás,
i bParthas na ngrás go rabhaimid.

To Christ the seed, To Christ the crop,
In the barn of Christ may we be brought.

To Christ the sea, To Christ the fish,
In the nets of Christ may we be caught.

From growth to age, From age to death,
Thy two arms here, O Christ, about us.

From death to end, Not end but growth,
In the blessed paradise may we be. Amen.

Chair exercise class for over 55's

Tuesdays 11am-12noon

Kincora Park, Ennis

Also @Active Ennis Leisure Centre

Suitable venue for those with disability

Tuesdays 2pm -3pm

Have you had a cancer diagnosis? Or are you living with cancer?

This course may be for you. Cancer thriving and surviving programme.. A self management course developed by Stanford University to help patients to cope. Commencing in Sláinte an Chlair, Clare Cancer Support, Kilnamona. Contact 087 6912396 for more information.

Pro Life Campaign National Conference 2023

takes place on **Saturday, 14th October** in the RDS Concert Hall in Dublin, featuring top pro-life speakers from home and abroad. It's a terrific opportunity to meet with other pro-life supporters from across Ireland and there will be lots of interesting stands and workshops at the event. Conference runs from 12:00 - 3:30pm (workshops from 11am). Entry is free of charge (but donations most welcome on the day if you are in a position to donate). **Register to attend at www.prolifecampaign.ie or phone 01-662 9275.**

Rest In Peace

Pat Gleeson, Templederry,
brother of Tony, Westfields & Terence,
Ballyalla & Coláiste Mhuire;

Rita Nolan, nee Vaughan, Gallows Hill;

Cíaran Scanlan, Ballaghboy, Doorra & Dingle,
husband of Mary O'Brien and son in law of
Maura O'Brien, Shannon Park.

Bernadette Gallagher (nee Hynes),
Pairc na Coille & St. Michael's Villas.

Nancy Jean Coote Guilfoyle,
Ennis & Crosshaven, Co. Cork.



Patrick Conway, England & Corrovorrin.

Sacrament Dates 2024

Celebrating the Sacraments is at the core of our parish life.
Details of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation Celebrations
for each school in the parish are as follows:



CBS	St Joseph's	
First Reconciliation	Wednesday 6 March	7.30pm
First Communion	Saturday 18 May	11.00am
Confirmation	Saturday 2 March	11.00am
Gaelscoil Míchil Cíosóg	Cathedral	
First Reconciliation	To be confirmed	
First Communion	Saturday 25 May	11.00am
Confirmation	Fri 23 February	11.00am
Ennis National School	Cathedral	
First Reconciliation	Tuesday 13 February	6.00pm
First Communion	Saturday 4 May	11.00am
Confirmation	Saturday 23 March	11.00am
Holy Family	Cathedral	
First Reconciliation	Thursday 8 February	6.00pm
First Communion	Saturday 18 May	11.00am
Confirmation	Saturday 13 April	11.00am
Scoil Chríost Rí	Cloughleigh	
First Reconciliation	To be confirmed	
First Communion	Saturday 18 May	11.00am
Confirmation	Thursday 14 March	11.00am
St Anne's	St. Joseph's	
First Reconciliation	Wednesday 1 May	To be confirmed
First Communion	Wednesday 15 May	To be confirmed
Confirmation	Wednesday 24 April	11.00am

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord,
all things are established,
And there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things,
the heaven and the earth,
And all that is held within
the circle of heaven;
You are the Lord of all.

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 5:1-7

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for
his vineyard.

My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside.

He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted
choice vines in it.

In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press
there too. He expected it to yield grapes,
but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah, I ask you to judge
between my vineyard and me.

What could I have done for my vineyard
that I have not done?

I expected it to yield grapes.

Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to
my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to
be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be
trampled on.

I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown
by the briar and the thorn.

I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it.

Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the
House of Israel, and the men of Judah that
chosen plant.

He expected justice, but found bloodshed,
integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

**R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of
Israel**

You brought a vine out of Egypt;
To plant it you drove out the nations.
It stretched out its branches to the sea,
To the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **R.**

Then why have you broken down its walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
Devoured by the beasts of the field. **R**

God of host, turn again, we implore,
Look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
The vine your right hand has planted. **R**

And we shall never forsake you again:
Give us life that we may call upon your name.
God of hosts, bring us back;
Let your face shine on us and we shall be
saved. **R**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians.

Ph 4:6-9

There is no need to worry; but if there is any-
thing you need, pray for it, asking God for it with
prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of
God, which is so much greater than we can
understand, will guard your hearts and your
thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill
your minds with everything that is true, every-
thing 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. Keep doing all the things that
you learnt from me and have been taught by
me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the
God of peace will be with you.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I call you friends, says the Lord,
Because I have made known to you
Everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt.21:33-43

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of
the people, 'Listen to another parable. There
was a man, a landowner, who planted a vine-
yard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it
and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants

and went abroad. When vintage time drew near
he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his
produce. But the tenants seized his servants,
thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third.
Next he sent some more servants, this time a
larger number, and they dealt with them in the
same way. Finally he sent his son to them.
'They will respect my son' he said. But when
the tenants saw the son, they said to each
other, 'This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him
and take over his inheritance.' So they seized
him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed
him. Now when the owner of the vineyard
comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They
answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a
wretched end and lease the vineyard to other
tenants who will deliver the produce to him
when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them,
'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected
by the builders that became
the keystone.

This was the Lord's doing
and it is wonderful to see?

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be
taken from you and given to a people who will
produce its fruit.'

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 ac-
cordance 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 for-
giveness of sins and I look forward to the resur-
rection of the dead and the life of the world to
come.

Amen.

Communion Antiphon

**The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
To the soul that seeks him.**