

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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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Year B 18th February, 2024

Lentthe beginning of a not so solitary a journey.



The journey that began for us last Wednesday is reflected in the short Gospel story from St Mark

in today's Gospel. "The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness, and he remained there for forty days. So our forty days are somewhat

meant to be in step with him for our forty days of 'Observance' of Lent.

Yes Jesus was tempted, seems to have been the purpose of his mission. He existed with wild beasts in the wilds of the desert. BUT, here's lies the pearl of the story ... "the Angels looked after him." the solitariness is taken out of the landscape of Jesus' forty days ... same for us on our Lenten 'observance' of our forty days.

That we might *observe* who might accompany us and indeed who will depend on our accompaniment for this journey. The angel who will look after me and the Angel I can be to another. St Luke's version of this same story the tempter recognises that Jesus would not be left alone .. "he will put his Angels in charge of you to guard you. They will hold you up in their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone" St Matthew's version states the tempters similar observance.

So

May You Always Have an Angel by Your Side

May you always have an angel by your side,
Watching out for you in all the things you do,
Reminding you to keep believing in brighter days,
Finding ways for your wishes
and dreams to come true,

Giving you hope that is as certain as the sun,
Giving you the strength of serenity as your guide,
May you always have love
and comfort and courage.

And may you always have an angel by your side,
Someone there to catch you if you fall,

Encouraging your dreams,
Inspiring your happiness,
Holding your hand and helping you through it all,
In all of our days, our lives are always changing,
Tears come along as well as smiles,

Along the roads you travel, may the miles be a
thousand times more lovely than lonely,
May they give you gifts that never, ever end:
someone wonderful to love

and a dear friend in whom you can confide,
May you have rainbows after every storm,
May you have hopes to keep you warm.

**And may you always have an angel
by your side**

Priest on Duty 18th February 2024

Fr. David Carroll 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 6.30pm: Freda Nihill (nee McCarthy), Francis St. MM.
Cyril Lane, Tobartaoscáin.
Lorraine & Sean Cooley, Dalcassian Ave.
Noel Molloy, Turnpike Rd.
Christy Shannon, Hermitage & decd Shannon & Hewitt families.
Eileen & Johnny Lillis, Kilclohane, Quilty.
May & Thomas Kelly, Knock, Kilrush.

Sun 18th 8am: Gerard Keane, St. Anne's Tce.
9.30am: Gerry & Mary Moroney, Lr. Market St.
Brian & Kevin Hallahan, Dublin & Clara, Co. Offaly.
May Carroll, Tralee.

11.30am: Senan Sheehan, Clare Rd.
Cillian O'Sullivan, The Glen, Ballinskelligs.
Pat Jones, College Park.
Michael Griffin, Woodlawn.
Donal Ryan, Cusack Rd.
Robert & Tony Meehan, Kent, U.K.
Sr. Mary Neylon, Inagh.
Aedh O'Sullivan Kennedy, Ballygirreen,
Newmarket-on-Fergus.
Mark Leyden, Shanaway Rd.

Mon: 7.40am: Holy Souls.
11am: Mary & John McMahon, Kanturk, Connolly.
7.30pm: Mary Ryan, St. Michael's Villas.
Anthony Coyle, Glenina, Gort Rd.
Martin & Francis Brody, Caherbanna, Kilnamona.

Tues: 7.40am Book of Intentions.
11am: John & Mary Hayes, Hermitage.
7.30pm: Nora Kearse, St. Michael's Villas.

Wed 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: Mark & Sean McInerney
& Deceased McInerney Family.
Tony Dargan, & Siobhán Collieran, Limerick Rd.
7.30pm: Jacksie & Lil Russell, Woodview, Kilrush Rd.
Nancy Cunningham, St. Michael's Villas.

Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Mary Pigott, Connolly Villas.
Patrick & Catherine Doohan, Connolly.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.
11am: Gaelscoil Confirmation.
7.30pm: Bryan & Anne (Nancy) MacMahon,
Woodlawn, Lahinch Rd. & Pat Roberts, Bristol.

Sat: 11am: Aidan Spooner, Clonroad Mews. **1st Anniv.**
Ellen, Daniel, John, Tom & Eddie Kelly,
Helen O'Sullivan, Theresa Carroll,
Marie & John McCarthy.
John & Nora McGrath, Considines' Rd.
Kitty Looney, Kilmihil.

6.30pm: Seán O'Shea, Ard na Gréine. MM.
Peter Walsh, Corrovorrin Grove, Ennis & Kilrush.
Fiona Howard, Rockmount.
Maura & Michael Frawley, Cahercalla.
Sr. Anne Houlihan & Bella Houlihan, Knock, Kilrush.

Sun 25th 8am: Johnny Purcell, Ard na Gréine.
9.30am: No intention booked.
11.30am: David Seery, Davitt Tce. **1st Anniv.**
Patricia Tuohy, Considine Rd.
Tom Tuttle, Castletawn, Tulla Rd.
Phil & James Barrow, Drumcliffe.
Jim Burke, Park Avenue.
Simon O'Donnell, Kilrush Rd.

Tiles for the Aisles

Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge the following contributions received for the appeal, €300 & €100. These once off contributions are very much appreciated and are helping to complete the renovation work at the Cathedral.

Poor Clare Monastery
Mondays in the lives of the Sisters will be "quiet day" and so the reception desk at the monastery will be closed every Monday. We thank the Sisters for their continuous daily prayers for all of us.

Pastoral Council Meeting
Wednesday @ 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

Local Mental Health Forum
February meeting takes place Tues Feb 27th 3pm-4:30pm in Maria Assumpta Hall. Recovery focused discussion on experiences and service improvement in mental health services, for services users, family members and supporters. Contact Rosemary 0876560854 for more information.

Ennis Flower and Garden Club
present Bertranda Delaney, Tipperary, at Treacys' West County Hotel on Tuesday February 20th; doors open at 7.30pm and demonstration commences at 8.15pm sharp. All are welcome. Demonstrators' arrangements raffled on the night. Contact:ennisflowerandgardenclub@gmail.com

The Annual Matt Talbot Novena
will continue on Wednesday, 21st February at 7pm in Tulla Church with Mass and Benediction. Fr Martin Shanahan will lead us in the service of healing with celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick. Attending this Novena could be your Lenten resolution.

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:
7pm: Patrick & Kyle O' Donovan, The Crescent & London.
Sun 18th 10am: Maura Cavanagh, Pine Grove.
Francie Mangan, Corrovorrin Grove & Flan Mangan, Turnpike.
11.30am: Roger Forde, Woodside, Roslevan. **1st Anniv**
Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.
Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 10.30am: No intentions booked.
Thu 10.30am: No intentions booked.
Fri 10.30am: No intentions booked.
Sat: 10.30am: Katie Drennan, Laureen, Lahinch Rd.
7pm: Thomas Gooney, Kincora Park. MM
Sun 25th 10am: Anna & Eddie Casey, Marian Ave.
Willie Moloney, Boston, U.S.A.
11.45am: Brendan Armstrong, Mountain View.



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:
Sun 18th 11am:
Mon: 9.30am: Donor's Intention.
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Sun 25th: Lucille Hayes, Bridge Court & Pearse Ave.

Chaplaincies

Ukraine



Fr. Roman, Redemptorist Priest will lead the Divine Liturgy for the Ukrainian Community in the Cathedral on this Sunday at 1pm.

Poland



Fr. Jarek, Benedictine Monk from Glenstal will celebrate mass for the Polish Community on this Sunday Evening at 7.30pm in the Cathedral.

Rest in Peace

Teresa Coughlan nee O'Looney, Ennistymon, sister of Brigid Marrinan, Cahercalla & Kitty & Mary O'Looney, Elm Park;

Mary Markham nee Leahy, New Road;

Hugh McCannon, Market St;

Marie Lynch, "Rosemount", Cloughleigh Rd;

Johnny Fung, Cuan an Chlair, Cahercalla.

Zofia Tuleja, Pairc na Coille.



Join us on our Lenten Journey

Our Lenten Journey

During this season of Lent, let us take time for:

Reflection

Repentance

Renewal



Morning Prayer: Monday to Friday 7.30am
Cathedral.

Daily Mass:

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

Eucharistic Adoration:

Monday to Friday 5pm to 7pm - Cathedral.

Stations of the Cross: Friday 8pm Cathedral.

Lectio Divina:

Reflections on the Word of God (Sunday Readings)

Sacred Reading of the Scriptures.

Each Tuesday of Lent: 7pm to 8pm Maria Assumpta Hall.

TRÓCAIRE

Working for a Just World

This year's Trócaire Lenten Campaign was launched on Ash Wednesday. Trócaire Boxes are now available for collection in all our churches.

This year's focus is on Malawi in Africa. It is a country with extremely high levels of poverty. Parents cannot afford basic food to give their children and inflation means that prices are soaring. Infrastructure is very basic and electricity blackouts can last for weeks. Families are already finding it very difficult to live but the unpredictability of climate change is making things dramatically worse. Our generosity to Trócaire this Lent will make a difference.

Remember that you cannot get to heaven without a letter of reference from the poor.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Roinnt Paidreacha ón Ár bPaidreacha Dúchais le Diarmuid Ó Laoghaire, S.J
I spioradáltacht Cheilteach bhí ár sinsear an-tugtha do Dhia. Bhí paidir ar leith acu do gach ócáid.

Ag dul ar aistear

*Dia idir mé agus uisce mo bháite,
Dia idir mé agus tine mo dhóite,
Dia idir mé agus bás gan chairde,
Dia idir mé agus taisme bóthair.*

Going on a journey.

God between me and drowning,
God between me and fire.
God may I not die in debt,
God between me and the road accident.

D'Aingeal Coimhdeachta

*Aingeal aoibhinn, aingeal Dé,
Cabhraigh liom ar feadh an lae.
Bí le m'ais go síoraí dlúth
Is ná lig don diabhal mé a chur amú.
Áiméan.*

Prayer to your Angel Guardian

Beautiful Angel of God
Help me throughout the day
Be by my side
Saving me from the power of the devil.
Amen

Paidir agus duine ag cur tús le hobair ar bith.

Iarrimid Ort, a Thiarna, d'anáil naofa a chur fúinn
chun sinn a stiúradh inár ngníomhartha agus neart do ghrásta a bhronnadh orainn chun iad a thabhairt chun críche, onas gur uaitse a thosófar ár n-uile bhriathar agus ár n-uile ghníomh feasta, agus gur tríot a chríochnófar iad; trí Chríost ár dTiarna. Áiméan.

Prayer before work

Direct, O Lord, we beseech you, all our actions by your holy inspirations, and carry them on by your gracious assistance, that every prayer and work of ours may begin always from you, and by you be happily ended.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Confirmation



On Friday next at 11am in the Cathedral, Bishop Willie will confirm candidates for Confirmation from Gaelscoil Mhíchíl Cíosóg.

This is a very important sacrament in the lives of these young children and it is also a very special day in the life of our Parish.

We pray for the children at this time. May the Holy Spirit help them to grow in faith and love and may them come to know the one true God who loves them without limit.

65 Years Ordained



On Wednesday 21st February two Priests with strong ties to our parish will celebrate 65 years of Ordination. Bishop Willie & Fr. Cletus Noone O.F.M. were both ordained on the one day in different ceremonies in Rome. We congratulate both Bishop Willie & Fr. Cletus and wish them every blessing for the future.

Lourdes Pilgrimage



The Diocese of Killaloe will travel on pilgrimage to Lourdes from Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June. €899pp sharing. Booking can be made online via joewalshstours.ie or 01 2410800 or collect a booking form in the parish office.

Daily Lenten Messages

Brief (less than one minute) daily multimedia spiritual reflections from Bishop Fintan will be available on the various social media platforms every day for Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Octave. Subscribe (at no cost – just click on the subscribe button) to: www.youtube.com/BishopFintanMonahan to keep up to date with many events around the diocese and beyond.

Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday, 11th February, 2024

Fund €6,136.00
Online €161.50

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

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.**

A reading from the book of Genesis Gen 9:8-15

God spoke to Noah and his sons, 'See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.'

God said, 'Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

*Your ways, Lord,
are faithfulness and love
for those who keep your covenant.*

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth,
and teach me:

for you are God my saviour. **R.**

Remember your mercy, Lord,
and the love you have shown
from of old.

In your love remember me,
because of your goodness, O Lord.

R.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray,
He guides the humble in the right
path;

He teaches his way to the poor. **R**

A reading from the first letter of St. Peter

1 Pt 3:18-22

Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people 'by water', and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God's right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ,
king of eternal glory!

Man does not live on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the
mouth of God.

Praise to you, O Christ,
king of eternal glory!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. Mk 1:12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

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 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 forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Communion Antiphon

**One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth
from the mouth of God.**