

# ENNIS PARISH NEWSLETTER

## Mass Times

Cathedral-[www.ennisparish.com/webcam](http://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](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-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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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Year B 31st March, 2024

## The sun was rising .. and the stone had been rolled away

*The light poured in to what had been presumed to be an eternal darkness.*

The story of the empty tomb whose stone had been cast aside has infused Christians with hope in the eternal for centuries. As we hear the story as told back on that first Easter morning I wonder are we to be infused with a hope that relates for us in the NOW ... that encourages to seek the path that leads to that hope fulfilled in the ETERNAL.

As we entertain an understanding of what the tomb of Good Friday means we might just imagine what a tomblike darkness really means for our humble human minds. The tomb in itself could stand as a milestone of defeat, life defeated by death, defeat of failure or utter hopelessness of the entrapment of the tomb of our own making or imagining.

We need the hope of Easter's story of the cast aside stone that allowed the light of the rising sun to penetrate it's darkness.

To peer out of our 'tomb' into the light of day we may need someone to roll the stone away and liberate us with renewed hope and life ... then we can focus on the path Jesus sets in front of us that will eventually lead us to understand the truth behind Jesus' liberation from the tomb, making his way ahead of Disciples and the women who were the first to glimpse the defeat of the tomb's darkness, opening up for them and us the understanding, ... 'I will go ahead of you to prepare a place for you' ... in the meantime let's be the one who can roll the stone away for someone who needs the light of the Risen Christ to penetrate their 'tomb'

### Risen Christ

**No one expected your return.  
You astonished your disciples  
When you slipped from the tomb.  
You came extending peace,  
Offering forgiveness for denial,  
Extending faith to the doubtful.  
You met them at the seashore  
And on the road toward home.  
Each one's grieving heart overjoyed.  
Each one's closed mind opened wide.**

**Today: I let myself be astonished**



**Who will  
roll  
The stone  
away  
Allowing  
the light  
of the  
Risen Christ  
guide  
you.**

# Priest on Duty 31st March, 2024

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## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sat: 6.30pm: Holy Saturday**  
**Sun 31st: Easter Sunday**  
**2pm: Easter Mass—Polish Congregation**  
**Mon 7.40am: Bank Holiday—No 7.40am Mass**  
**11am:** Gerry McNamara, Corrovorrin Crescent. MM.  
 Brian McMahon, Drumcaranmore, Lahinch Rd.  
 Jimmy Frawley, Woodlawn, Lahinch Rd.  
 William Guilfoyle, Hermitage.  
 Una Lee, Tralee.  
**3pm: Mass for Ukranian Community.**  
**7.30pm:** Michael & Mary Kate Griffin, Parnell St.  
 John (Des) Cullinan, Dalcassian Park.  
 Frank Costelloe, Castletawn, Tulla Rd.  
 Tessie Meere, Cahercalla.  
 Nurse Kathleen Duggan, Francis St.  
 Bozena Boyke, Ennis.  
 Eugenius Tabaka, Poland.  
 Leokadia Jakubowska, Shannon.  
**Matt Talbot Prayer Society.**  
**Tues 7.40am: No Mass.**  
**11am:** Book of Intentions.  
 Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan, Woodlands.  
**7.30pm:** Sr. Veronica Carey F.C.J., Laurel Hill,  
 Limerick. **1st Anniv**  
**Wed 7.40am: No Mass.**  
**11am:** Mary Keane, Clancy Park.  
 Josephine & Patrick Kelly, Ard na Gréine.  
**7.30pm:** Geraldine Fitzpatrick, Shannon.  
 Catherine Fitzpatrick, Kilkee.  
 Martin Crowe & Deceased Family, Ruan.  
**Thurs 7.40am: No Mass.**  
**11am:** Pat & Nora Harnett, Limerick.  
**7.30pm:** Dolores Nevin, Childers' Rd.  
 Tom & Aoife Devitt, Derryharriv, Inagh.  
 Eileen Bennis, St. Joseph's Street, Limerick.  
**Fri 7.40am: No Mass.**  
**11am:** Mass for the People.  
**7.30pm:** No intention booked.  
**Sat: 11am:** Edward Baker, Hermitage.  
 Paddy Haren, Summerhill & Cappalea, Kilmaley.  
**6.30pm:** Noel O'Grady, Oak Park. MM.  
 Bridie Butler, Marian Ave.  
 Brigid, Seán & Fr. Michael O'Keefe, Ard na Gréine.  
 Angela O'Loughlin (nee Skerritt), Lissane East,  
 Clarecastle & Hermitage. **1st Anniv**  
**Sun 7th 8am:** No intention booked.  
**9.30am:** Costelloe & O'Donoghue Families,  
 Ennis & Cork.  
**11.30am:** Catherine (Kitty) Tierney,  
 Woodbrook, Cahercalla Rd. MM.  
 Jim Kitson, Laureen Drive.  
 Kathleen & Christy O'Donovan, Clonroadmore.  
 John Staunton, Gallows Hill.

### Matt Talbot Prayer Society

Monthly Mass for all those suffering or sharing in the life of addictions will take place on Monday at 7:30pm in the Cathedral.



### Tiles for the Aisles

Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge the following contributions received for the appeal; €500, €100 & €30. These once off contributions are very much appreciated and are helping to complete the renovation work at the Cathedral.

### Bank Holiday Monday Mases

**8:30am:** Poor Clare Monastery  
**10am:** Friary  
**11am:** Cathedral  
**7:30pm** Cathedral

### Friary News

The Monthly Mass for the SFO will take place on Wednesday 3rd April at 10a.m. We will pray the office after Mass. There will be Evening Meeting in the Friary Parlour at 7:30 pm on Wednesday 3rd April for those who are unable to attend in the morning You will all be most welcome.

### St Anthony's Magazine

The latest edition of St. Anthony's Magazine supporting the work of the Franciscan Friars is on sale in both the Friary and Cathedral for just €2 Your support is very much appreciated.

### Sacraments at Home

**Friday next is the First Friday** in the month of April. The priests of the parish will visit sick or housebound parishioners who would like to receive the Sacraments. If you or someone you know would like a visit please contact the parish office.

### Newly Baptised

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

Jordan Warren Delaney;  
 Amy Anna Meehan.



## St. Joseph's

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sat 7pm: Holy Saturday**  
**Sun 31st: Easter Sunday**  
**Mon 10.30am: No Mass—Bank Holiday**  
**Tues 10.30am: No Mass today.**  
**Wed 10.30am: Book of Intentions.**  
**Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.**  
**Fri 10.30am: No intention booked.**  
**Sat: 10.30am: No intention booked.**  
**7pm: Christopher Gammell, Ennis & Limerick. 1st Anniv.**  
 Bridie Butler, Marian Ave.  
 Michael Devitt, St. Senan's Rd.  
 Martin Heaney, Corrovorrin Drive.  
 Martin Cotter, St. Senan's Rd.  
**Sun 7th 10am: Mary Cornu, Tullassa. 1st Anniv.**  
 Denis & Bridie Greer, Shannon Pk.  
 Flan Roberts, Kincora Park.  
**11.45am: Eddie Micks, The Crescent. MM.**  
 John McCabe, Newpark, Roslevan.

### Priests' Easter Collection

The Easter collection for priests of the Pastoral Area who serve in our parish is taking place at all masses this weekend. As one of only four appeals in the year, your generosity is very much appreciated. Envelopes are available.



## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 31st 11am: Easter Sunday**  
**Mon: 9.30am: Bank Holiday—No Mass.**  
**Tue 9.30am: No Mass.**  
**Wed 9.30am: No Mass.**  
**Thurs 9.30am: No Mass**  
**Fri 9.30am: No Mass**

### Ennis Blood Donation Clinic West County Hotel



Thursday 4th April 4:50pm to 8:10 pm  
 Phone 1800 222 111 for appointment.  
**New Donors welcome**

### Rest in Peace



**John David Jennings**, Tyreda, Beechpark;  
**Brother Muiris Cunningham**, Christian Brothers Limerick, who previously served in Ennis;  
**John Frawley**, Corrovorrin Avenue;  
**Seán McCarthy**, Hermitage;  
**Tim Murphy**, Galway formerly of Cloughleigh Rd;  
**Martin Clune**, Clooney, father of Ann Tuohy, Lahinch Rd.;  
**Renata Machula**, Dromard, Lahinch Rd., Funeral Mass in the Cathedral on Sunday 7th April at 5pm

## Divine Mercy



Divine Mercy celebrations will take place in the Cathedral on Sunday next 7th April beginning at 2pm with mass celebrated at 3:30pm

## Dawn Mass



All are welcome to join Bishop Fintan this Easter Morning at 5:30am for the Dawn Mass in Quin Abbey. Should it be raining the Mass will be celebrated in the Church.

## Masses for Easter Week

### Cathedral

Monday to Friday 11am & 7.30pm

### Friary

Daily at 10am

### St. Joseph's

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 10.30am

### Poor Clare Monastery

Monday to Saturday 8:30am

Please note no 7:40am Mass in the Cathedral and no 9:30am Mass in Cloughleigh this week.

## Would you like someone to talk to?

Senior Line is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers who may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. Senior Line's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone Senior Line 1800 80 45 91, open every day of the year 10am-10pm

**Easter Holy Water:** In response to Pope Francis call in 'Laudate Si' to protect the environment, here in the parish of Ennis we will be providing Easter Holy Water in containers and ask all parishioners to use recyclable bottles and containers from home to fill your Easter Holy Water. In previous years bottles were used in the parish, so we hope this initiative will contribute in some small way to reducing our dependence on plastic and help protect the environment.

**Trócaire:** Now that Lent has concluded, we appeal to you to return your Trócaire Box or offering to the parish. Those who will benefit from our Lenten sacrifices really appreciate your generosity.



**Rejoice:** On this Easter Sunday Morning, the priests of the pastoral area who minister here in the parish pray that this Easter will bring new beginnings, new hope and new joy to you all. We thank all who in the past week helped celebrate Holy Week.

**Moveable Feast:** In AD 325 the Council of Nicaea was convened by Emperor Constantine. Until then Easter had been celebrated on different days of the week. That Council, however, decreed that Easter be celebrated on a Sunday between the dates of March 22nd and April 25th. The pagan festival of Easter occurred at the same time of year as the Christian observance of the Resurrection of Christ. As Christian converts were slowly won over, it made sense to alter the festival and make it a Christian celebration. The early name, Eastre was eventually changed to its modern spelling Easter.



Ennis Parish  
Development Fund  
for Sunday 24th March

Fund €6,235.00  
Online €454.50

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

### Domhnach Cásca

Domhnach Cásca, ceiliúrtar Aiséirí ár dTiarna Íosa Críost mar an fhéile is mó i bhféilire na hEaglaise. D'aiséirigh Críost ón marbh Domhnach Cásca. Is mór an t-athrú a tháinig ar thuiscint agus ar dhearcadh na ndeisceabal maidin Domhnach Cásca. Cúpla lá roimhe seo, bhí siad ag féachaint ar Íosa ag fulaingt a pháise agus ag fáil bháis ar an gcros. Ní foláir nó go raibh a gcroí briste. Nuair a d'aiséirigh Íosa léirigh Sé gur bhuaigh Sé ar an mbás, ar an bpeaca agus ar chumhacht an oilc. Chruthaigh sé gur bh é féin Dia. Nuair a chonaic na deisceabail an tuama folamh thuig siad teagasc Íosa.

Chreid ár sinsir go ndearna an ghrian damhsa sa spéir le háthas agus go raibh gach gné den dúlra faoi lúcháir ar Dhomhnach Cásca, de bhri go raibh ár Slánaitheoir ina bheatha arís. Biodh áthas agus gairdeas orainn. Éirimis as an bpeaca agus glacaimis faoi stáid na ngrást cairdeas Íosa atá aiséirithe. *Moladh go deo leat Íosa, Alleluia! Cáisc faoi shéan is faoi mhaise do chách.*

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the greatest feast in the Liturgical Calendar. Jesus arose from the dead on Easter Sunday. The understanding and outlook of the disciples changed greatly on Easter Sunday. A few days before, the disciples saw Jesus suffer His agony and die on the cross. No doubt their hearts were broken. When Jesus arose from the dead on Easter Sunday, it was a victory over sin, death and evil. He proved that He was God. When the disciples saw the empty tomb, they understood the teaching of Christ. Our ancestors believed that the sun danced and that nature celebrated on Easter Sunday because Jesus had risen from the dead. Let us be glad and rejoice. Let us turn away from sin and accept the grace and friendship of the risen Jesus. *Praised be Jesus always, Alleluia! Happy Easter to all.*

## Summertime

Reminder; clocks go forward on Sunday Morning at 1am.



## Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Diocese of Killaloe will be travelling to Lourdes on 21st to 26th June with the help of 24 young people from the different Pastoral Areas of the Diocese.

The Abbey Pastoral Area invites young people between the age of 16 and under 18 on the 26th June to apply in writing to their local priest for consideration for one of two places available to our Pastoral Area. In the event of more than two applicants a draw will take place. Closing date is Sunday 7th April.

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.  
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.  
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge,  
alleluia, alleluia.

### 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 Acts of the Apostles. Acts 10:34.37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his

resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

**The word of the Lord**

### Responsorial Psalm

*Response:*

*This day was made by the Lord;  
We rejoice and are glad.*

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good,  
For His love has no end.  
Let the sons of Israel say:  
"His love has no end." **R.**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;  
His right hand raised me up.  
I shall not die, I shall live  
And recount His deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the corner stone.  
this is the work of the Lord,  
a marvel in our eyes. **R**

### A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians

**Col 3:1-4**

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

**The word of the Lord**

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
Christ, our Passover,  
has been sacrificed;  
Let us celebrate the feast then,  
In the Lord.  
Alleluia!*

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the

'we don't know where they have put him.'

So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

### 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

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;  
Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread  
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**