

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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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Year B 14th April, 2024

Peace Be With You

The invention of the telegraph brought about a dramatic change in the field of communication. The stage was set for linking Europe with America, but the question was "What should be the first message to be transmitted to the New World?" Scholars and political leaders began the search for a suitable message or an appropriate quotation.

Finally, the choice was a verse from the Bible: "*Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth to men of good will*" (LK 2:14). The idea behind this choice was that if God's supremacy is acknowledged on earth, everything will go well with the world. Any attempt to dethrone and replace God with wealth, power, and fame will ultimately bring chaos. Further, the first telegraphic message emphasized another great truth: "God is the author and giver of peace". Peace on earth is possible only when we maintain a healthy relationship with the Almighty which reflects on our fellow human beings.

Christ's greeting on his first appearance to the apostles was, '*Peace be with you!*' To understand we have to recall the past and how the disciples with the exception of John, deserted Jesus, while He was being crucified. So, Jesus' greeting of 'peace to you' may well mean that you are part of Me. I am not going to accuse you and all I want from you is to

remember My forgiveness, turn away from the past, make a new beginning, and continue My mission. Christ is the Lord of peace because He is the one through whom humanity can be reconciled to God, their sins be forgiven, and the harmony between our souls and God be restored.

What does it mean that Christ is the Lord of peace? How does He give us this experience of peace? Is 26:3 "*You keep*

him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on you, because he trusts in you." We get peace as we keep our minds fixed on Jesus. If we want to experience peace in these difficult and hard times, the only way is if we keep our minds steadfastly fixed on Christ. We keep our eyes on Him, trusting in His word and believing in His word.

One of the reasons why we so often live without the experience of peace is because our minds are so filled with the news headlines, with posts

on social media and with the latest thing that we've heard from someone else, or with our own worries, our fears and our concerns. We are not filling our minds with the words of Jesus promising us peace that comforts us. Ps 119: 165 says "*Great peace have those who love your Law; nothing can make them stumble*". The presence of Christ is what brings peace. It is the Lord Jesus being with you that gives you peace.

PEACE
be with you



Priest on Duty 14th April, 2024
Contact: Fr. Joy Tel. 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Thomas Connole, Old Military Barracks. MM.
 Nell & Mary Ryan, Stonepark, Barefield.
 James McNamara, Greendale, Clonroad.

Sun 14th 8am: Michael Meaney, Lissycasey.

9.30am: Norrie Power, Considine Tce.
 Caroline, Joseph & Brian Ensko, Connolly Villas.
 PJ Meaney, Cranny, Kilrush.

11.30am: Christy, Breda & Deceased Carpenter
 Family, Hermitage.

Patrick, Christina & Stephen Malone, Jr.,
 Dalcassian Drive.

Monica Brooks, Drumcaurin.

Sylvester Keane, Garraunakilla, Upper Market St.

Joseph Boland, Clonroad.

Frank Roche, Dalcassian Park.

Martin Higgins, Drumbiggle Rd.

Eoin Boylan, Clancy Park.

Mon: 7.40am: Philomena Duffy, Carrigatoher, Nenagh.

11am: Jack O'Malley, Cork & England.

Nurse Catherine O'Leary, "St Philomena's", The Market.

Kathleen Cunningham, Aylroe, LabasheEda.

7.30pm: Noreen Considine & John O'Halloran,
 Considine Tce.

Tues: 7.40am Book of Intentions.

11am: Special intention.

7.30pm: Belle & Josie Broderick, Ardlea Rd.

Wed 7.40am: Sr. Eucharua Keane, Corofin.

11am: Michael Neville, Cloughleigh.

7.30pm: Katie & Jack Keane, Clonlara.

Thurs 7.40am: Special intention.

Mick & Ellen O'Rourke, Newmarket-on-Fergus.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Mary Moroney, Droichead na nGabhar,
 Gort Rd.

Paddy & Jack Moroney & Decd. Family, Circular Rd.

Halpin Family, O'Connell St.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Deceased Jordan Family, Mayo.

Gerard Shannon, Boloughera, Lissycasey.

7.30pm: No intention booked.

Sat: 11am: Sr. Kathleen Cleary, Ardlea Close. **1st Anniv.**

Maureen & Seán Cronin, Mountain View.

Brid Howard, Glenina, Gort Rd.

Victor Tsvetkov, Latvia & Ennis.

Ellen O'Sullivan, Castlewood Park.

Kevin Greene, Lisdoonvarna.

6.30pm: Seán McCarthy, Hermitage. **MM**

Josephine & Denis Rice, Maureen McAllister,
 & Malone Family.

Jim Ball, Connolly Villas.

Dermot & Mary O'Donoghue, Kilfenora.

Lily Cleary, Ennis.

Norah & Daniel O'Neill, Fiach Rua, Connolly.

Gertie Byrnes nee Corbett, Newcastle, Athenry & Dublin

Sun 21st 8am: Seamus Purcell, Ennis & Kildare.

9.30am: Lizzie Neylon, Parnell St.

John Feeney, St. Michael's Villas & Stockport, UK

Marie Deegan, Ashfield, Cusack Rd.

11.30am: Eddie Daly, Hermitage.

William McGovern, 'St. Martins', College View.

Enid O'Loughlin, Corrovorrin Grove.

Tony Lillis, Edenvale.

Dolly & Patrick Lillis, O'Connell St.

Mary Forde, Caherbanna, Fountain.

Bunny & Paschal Moloney, Steele's Terrace.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

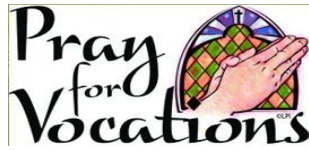
Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge the following contributions received for the appeal; €250; €100, €20. These once off contributions are very much appreciated and are helping to complete the renovation work at the Cathedral.



Thanks to you who have returned Trócaire Boxes and offerings. We appeal for the return of any outstanding offerings please.

Children's Liturgy

The 10.30am Mass on Sunday in the Friary is open to all children in the parish up to Second Class. It invokes the proclaiming of the Gospel in an accessible way to the children, reflecting on its meaning and responding in prayer with an activity related to the Gospel Story.



Prayer for Vocations

We pray that our Seminarians and those discerning a vocation to serve the people of the Diocese will be relived through an encounter with the Risen Christ.

There will be a conducted Hour of Prayer for Vocations on Sunday next, Vocations' Sunday from 6pm to 7pm in the Cathedral.

Every Cathedral in Ireland next weekend will host a time of prayer for vocations.

Eucharistic Adoration

takes place Monday to Friday from 5pm to 7pm in the Cathedral.

Newly Baptised

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

Clíodhna Edwina

O'Connell;

Jack James Parker;

April Jade Mernagh;



St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: James Tobin, Knockaderry, Tulla Rd. **MM.**

Angela Reidy, Gort na mBlath, Tulla Rd. **MM.**

Noel O'Regan, Corrovorrin Grove. **1st Anniv.**

Tom & Mae Minitier, Kincora Park.

Peadar O'Brien, St. Senan's Rd.

Sun 14th 10am: Martin & Kathleen Kelly,
 Old Gort Rd. & Baby Emma, Toonagh.

11.45am: John English, St. Senan's Rd. **1st Anniv.**
 Joe Daly, Lifford Rd.

Mon 10.30am: Sylvester Cosgrove, Fernhill.

Tues 10.30am: Tommy Moloney, Marian Ave.
 Book of Intentions.

Wed 10.30am: Paddy Keown, Corofin.

Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.

Fri 10.30am: No intention booked.

Sat: 10.30am: Mary Conway, Larchill.

7pm: Joe & Patrick Conway, Corrovorrin &

Theresa Kalkhof, Mullagh & New York.

Kevin Lynch, Ennis.

Kevin & Cissie Lynch, Kilrush.

Gerald & Sheila Murray, Newmarket-on-Fergus.

Sun 21st 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: Paddy Power, Castlelawn, Tulla Rd.

Joe, Kitty & Sheila Glynn, Lifford Rd.

Nancy Tubridy, Doonbeg.

Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 14th 11am: Kevin Maxwell, Shallee Drive.

Mon: 9.30am: John & Mary Flanagan & Deceased
 Flanagan Family, Inagh.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Fri 7.30pm: Jim McMahon, Cusack Rd. **MM.**

Sun 21st 11am: Fr. Frank & Flan Cassidy & Decd.
 Cassidy Family, Cusack Rd.

REST IN PEACE

Patrick (Paddy) O'Brien, Ballaghboy, Doora & late
 Fergus Park, Ennis;

Mary Teresa Tuohy, Kevin Barry Avenue;

Christina Cullinan nee Durcan, The Green, Lifford;

Des Glynn, Ballycoree, Gort Road, Ennis &
 Portumna, Galway;

Stephanie Allard nee O'Connor, Beechpark;

Johnny Darcy, Shanaway Rd.;

Canon Brendan O'Donoghue, Shannon.

Eleanor Harwood, Ivy Hill;

John Mescall, Coore, brother of Bernie
 Brooks, Shannon Park;

Irene O'Doherty, Stillorgan, Dublin, mother of Anne
 Mulvaney, Abbey Court;

Ethel Christie (nee McNamara), Kent & Ard na
 Gréine, sister of Brendan McNamara, Woodview,
 Shanaway Rd.

Bridget Hussey (nee Gilleran), sister of Peter
 Gilleran, Barrack St. & the late Anne Wall, Ballymaley.

Altar Servers



A recruitment drive to re-introduce the Ministry of Altar Serving in our churches is now taking place.

Any boy or girl from 3rd Class up is invited to consider the ministry of Altar Serving. We ask parents or grandparents to talk and explain to their child/grandchild the role of an Altar Girl/Boy.

Ten Reasons to be an Altar Server

- * Opportunity to serve God;
- * Grow in respect and understanding of the Mass;
- * Make great friends;
- * Strengthen your relationship with Jesus;
- * Learn valuable life skills;
- * Opportunity for leadership;
- * Learn more about Vocations.

Application Forms are available from any of the priests or from your school. Training will be provided by all who apply.

Ennis Community Games Track & Field Athletics Finals u8 to u16 (Ennis Parish Only) on Tuesday April 16th at 6pm sharp in John O'Sullivan Park, Lees Road. Registration from 5pm. All Welcome.

Grow Mental Health- Friendly Community based groups for anyone experiencing mental health issue through 12 Step Programme. Ennis Meeting- Maria Assumpta Hall. Monday 8-10pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966 www.grow.ie

Clare Roots Society Lecture:
Mapping Ireland's Records by John Grenham Thursday 18th April Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Road, Ennis V95 F782 at 7.30pm



Ennis Flower and Garden Club present Magda O'Brien, Clarenbridge/ Blackwater Garden Centre for a Garden Talk at Treacys' West County Hotel Ennis on Tuesday April 16th at 7.30pm. €10 non members, all are welcome. Contact ennisflowerandgardenclub@gmail.com

Ennis Brass Band We are recruiting. If you would like to play a brass instrument, come and meet us at Ennis Community College on Wednesday 17th April at 7.30pm. Young and not so young welcome. Contact Bernard 086 3180195

Cantare Choir with Orchestra Summer Concert featuring Vivaldi's Gloria, Summer from The Four Seasons and lots more classic string pieces - May 11th, 8pm, SS Peter and Paul Cathedral, Ennis - a glorious start to your summer! Tickets available online at www.glor.ie or from Glór box office - 065 6843103. In support of Pieta House and Sláinte an Chláir. See you there!



A Man of God



The Church of Mary Immaculate, Corrib Drive, Shannon was full to capacity on Monday afternoon last 8th April for the Funeral Mass of Canon Brendan O'Donoghue, one of the Killaloe Diocese's best loved priests.

Canon Brendan served for 68 years as a priest, 22 years in this parish of Ennis and 36 years in Shannon with ministry in Galway, England and St. Flannan's College.

He arrived here in Ennis in April, 1966 and immediately immersed himself in parish life. He went on to be a founding member of Clare Social Services, now known as Clarecare, St. Francis Credit Union, Ennis Old Folks' Club and the Christmas Day Dinners in the West County Hotel.

One of his greatest achievements for County Clare was in 1979 when he spearheaded the fundraising drive called Clare Special School Projects which led to the building of both St. Anne's and St. Clare's Special Schools here in Ennis to serve the needs of children with special needs all over County Clare.

As Pilgrimage Director of the Diocese, his work enabled pilgrims visit places like Lourdes, The Holy Land and Rome. In his daily pastoral work he covered many miles and hours, celebrating Mass and Sacraments, visiting the sick and housebound and giving pastoral support to schools. But, above all, Canon Brendan was a Man of God, a priest at the service of people. Each day of his life he prayed, celebrated Mass, prayed the Rosary and spent an hour in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. His sermons were very well prepared and relevant to life and living. He was a priest who was always in demand, he was a man who had no enemies and the love of God radiated from him.

On Thursday 4th April in Ennis Hospital he closed his eyes to this world. His presence especially in Shannon, where he ministered for the last 36 years will be missed, the personal touch with the man who never grew weary with life.

One of his great phrases at the end of a meal was 'You will get no more here', so true now as his earthly life is now completed.

He was the first priest to be laid to rest in Shannon in Illaunmanagh Cemetery on the banks of the Shannon Estuary.

To his sister Maureen, brother Jim, nieces and nephews and their families, parishioners in Shannon and Ennis whom he loved so dearly, we offer our deepest sympathy and we thank the O'Donoghue Family for blessing our parish and Shannon for 58 years and more for this wonderful Man of God - Canon Brendan O'Donoghue.

**Solas na Bhflaitheas ort, a Bhreandán.
Ní beidh a leithid arís ann.**

Sr. Eileen's Céinne



An Tríú Domhnach den Cháisc.

Inniu an tríú Domhnach den Cháisc. Sa soiscéal feicimid an bheirt deisceabal ar an mbóthar go Emmaus ag cur fáilte roimh strainséir agus níor aithin siad gurbh é Iosa a bhí ann, go raibh sé ag an mbord leo, gur thóg Sé an t-arán, bheannaigh Sé é, bhris an t-arán agus thug dóibh é.

Is minic nach n-aithnímidne Iosa inár saol. Bíonn Críost aiséirithe in éineacht linn de shíor. Ba cheart dúinn éisteacht go humhail lena bhriathar trí mheán na Scrioptúir. Is féidir linn ceacht a fhoghlaim ó Cleophas agus a chompánach. Leag na Ceiltigh an-bhéim ar fháilte a chur roimh an strainséir ina saol laethúil. Is cuid dár n-oidhreacht é gur fiú machnamh air sa saol nua-aimseartha seo in Éirinn. Is féidir an phaidir seo a rá : ***A Iosa oscail cumhacht Do Bhriathar sna Scrioptúir dúinn ar son ár leasa spioradálta. Áiméan***

Today is the third Sunday of Easter.

In the gospel we see the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. They welcomed a stranger, who questioned them about the topic they were discussing. They told him the story of what happened to Jesus Christ and how he was crucified. Everyone was waiting for him to redeem Israel because he was an effective prophet in God's sight. They informed the stranger that the women had found the tomb empty and that an angel said that Jesus had risen. He explained the Scriptures to them concerning his own life. He was leaving but Cleophas invited him to stay. At the table he took bread, blessed it and broke it and gave it to them and left. They recognised Jesus and said to one another "Did not our hearts burn as He talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures? (Luke (24:32)).

We often fail to recognise Jesus in our lives. The resurrected Christ is always with us. We should listen humbly to his word in the Scriptures. We can learn a lesson from Cleophas and his companion. They welcomed the stranger. The Celts placed great emphasis on welcoming the stranger into their daily lives. It is part of our heritage that is worth reflecting on in this modern world in Ireland.

Clare Youth Service Summercamp

Clare Youth Service Summercamp is running in Ennis, July 15th-19th for children aged 7-12yrs. For more info contact Helena on 0858047580.



Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday, 7th April

Fund €4,504.51
Online €512.50

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, 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 3:13-15.17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites,
and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob,
the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his
servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed
over and then disowned in the presence of
Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him.
It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just
One, you who demanded the reprieve of a
murderer while you killed the prince of life.
God, however, raised him from the dead, and
to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor
your leaders had any idea what you were really
doing; this was the way God carried out what
he had foretold, when he said through all his
prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you
must repent and turn to God, so that your sins
may be wiped out.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

*Response: .Lift up the light of your face
on us, O Lord.*

When I call answer me,
O God of justice;
From anguish you released me,
Have mercy and hear me! **R**

It is the Lord who grants favours
to those whom he loves;
The Lord hears me whenever I call Him. **R**

"What can bring us happiness?" many say.
Lift up the light of your face
on us, O Lord. **R**

I will lie down in peace and
sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord, make me
dwell in safety. **R**

A reading from the first letter of St. John

1 Jn 2:1-5

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.

But when anyone does obey what he has
said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.

*Make our hearts burn within us
as you talk to us.*

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Lk 24:35-48

The disciples told their story of what had
happened on the road and how they had
recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this
when Jesus himself stood among them and
said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state
of alarm and fright, they thought they were
seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you
so agitated, and why are these doubts

rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and
feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for
yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones
as you can see I have.' And as he said this
he showed them his hands and feet. Their
joy was so great that they could not believe
it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said
to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?'
And they offered him a piece of grilled fish,
which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant
when I said, while I was still with you, that
everything written about me in the Law of
Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms,
has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their
minds to understand the scriptures, and he
said to them, 'So you see how it is written
that the Christ would suffer and on the third
day rise from the dead, and that, in his name,
repentance for the forgiveness of sins would
be preached to all the nations, beginning
from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

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

**The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus
In the breaking of the bread, alleluia**