

# 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

Phone Numbers: Cathedral:- 6824043;

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St. Joseph's:- 6829584

Cloughleigh:- 6797489;

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Year B 28th April, 2024

## You are the vine, we are the branches

In the parable of the Vine and the Branches Jesus highlights our relationship with the Father. The branches have no life in themselves, they draw it from the main plant, and if they are cut off from the plant they wither and die.

Jesus tells us plainly that *"apart from me, you can do nothing"*.

The more we humble ourselves and depend on the Lord, the more he can work in us and the stronger we become. Jesus encourages us to abide in him, and then he will abide in us and we will produce much fruit.

What does this mean in reality, Jesus invites us to spend time in prayer and become aware of his presence. We can learn to turn to him every day, to depend on him and ask for his strength and guidance as we journey in life. When we do this we will bear fruit for him, in the good works and in being a witness to others by what we say and do.

**You are the vine, we are the branches.**

**You are the shepherd, we are the sheep.**

**We thank you for all the love  
that you given us.**

**We live because you gave us life.**

**We grow because you give us food.**

**We breathe because you give us air.**

**All we have is because of you.**

**So today we promise to keep you close**

**To talk to you every day.**

**To think of you**

**when we make our decisions.**

**When we work and when we play. Amen.**



Growing  
Together IN Christ

**Priest on Duty 28th April 2024**  
**Fr. Tom Ryan Contact 065 6869098**



**Cathedral**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**Sat 6.30pm:** Jerome, Bridget & Francis Greene, Cahercalla Estate.  
 Delia & Jim Collins, Ard na Greine.  
 Mc Namara family, O'Connell St.  
 Mary Finlay, Cahercalla.  
 O'Rourke Family, Whitegate.  
 Tim McGrath, Scarriff.  
 Gerry Devitt, St. Michael's Villas.  
 Joe Moloney, Claireen.

**Sun 28th 8am:** No intention booked.

**9.30am:** Teresa & William Clohessy, Drumcliffe.  
 Monsignor Ignatius Murphy, Kilkee.  
 Eleanor Murphy, Inch.  
 Michael & Carmel Collins, Parnell St.

**11.30am:** Monica Ensko, Turnpike Rd. MM.  
 John David Jennings, Tyreda, Beechpark. MM.  
 Mary Carroll, Kilrush Rd.  
 Bridie & Michael O'Donoghue, Limerick Rd.  
 Danny McDonagh, Ennis & UK.  
 Michael & Kitty Kenneally, Fergus Park.  
 Peter Waters, Armagh. **1st Anniv**  
 Joe Moloney, Claireen.

**Mon: 7.40am:** Fergus Clair, Lahinch & decd family.  
**11am:** Francis Anthony McDonnell, Ennis & Philippines.  
**7.30pm:** No intention booked.

**Tues: 7.40am** Book of Intentions.  
**11am:** No intention booked.

**7.30pm:** John & Rachel O'Loughlin & Family.  
 Mary & Frank Kearse, Connolly Villas.  
 Annie Clohessy, Hermitage.

**Wed 7.40am:** No intention booked.  
**11am:** Mary Collins, Carron.

**7.30pm:** Jimmy Kelly, Kilrush Rd.  
 Marissa Enright, Iniscarraig & O'Connell St. **1st Anniv**  
 John & Madeleine Arkins, Clonroad.

**Thurs 7.40am:** No intention booked.  
**11am:** No intention booked.

**7.30pm:** Niall Mahony, Clancy Park.  
 Pat McCullagh, Tulla Rd.

**Fri 7.40am:** Mass for the People.  
**11am:** No intention booked.

**7.30pm:** Maureen Griffey (nee O'Loughlin),  
 St. Flannan's Tce. MM.  
 Paddens & Maisie O'Loughlin, Hermitage.

**Sat 11am:** First Holy Communion — Ennis NS.  
**6.30pm:** Mary **1st Anniv.** & Patrick Keane,  
 McNamara Park.  
 Joe Arthur, Gort Rd.  
 Bernie & Mary Hennessy, Kilkee.  
 David Slattery, John Paul Ave.x  
 Josephine Garvey, Thomas Kierse & decd family, St.  
 Michael's Villas.

**Sun 5th 8am:** No intention booked.  
**9.30am:** Costelloe & O'Donoghue Families,  
 Ennis & Cork.

**11.30am:** Lucy McCarthy, Tulla Rd. **1st Anniv.**  
 James Naughton, Dalcassian Drive.  
 Ruth Hanley, Willsgrove.  
 Owen Linnane, Parnell St.  
 Noreen O'Brien, Roslevan.  
 Anne Mangan, Turnpike Rd.  
 Ann Mc Mahon, Morrissey Ave.  
 Ann & Robin Lacey, College Green.

The Monthly Mass for the SFO will take place on Wednesday 1st May 2024 at 10:00 am. We will pray the office after Mass.

There will be Evening Meeting in the Friary Parlour at 7.30 p m on Wednesday 1st May for those who are unable to attend in the morning. You will all be most welcome.

**Cathedral Renovation Appeal**

Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge the following contribution €60 received for the appeal; These once off contributions are very much appreciated and are helping to complete the renovation work at the Cathedral.

**First Friday of May**

Friday 3rd May is the first Friday of the month. 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.

**Championship Hurling**

Despite the disappointment of last weekend's result, this Sunday is a new beginning as our Clare team travel to play Cork in the second round of this year's championship. We wish them every success.



**Special needs' trust planning workshop,** Thursday 2nd May 8 to 8:45pm at the Temple Gate Hotel. Information on all your entitlements and tax credits.

**Monthly trad music session in Cois na hAbhna** on this Sunday from 6pm to 8:30pm. All musicians, singers, dancers, storytellers & listeners welcome. Cupán té.

**Clare Youth Service** summer camp running in Ennis, July 15th-19th for children aged 7 to 12yrs; for more info contact Helena on 0858047580

**St. Joseph's**



**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**7pm:** Barry Coughlan, Corrovorrin Grove.  
 John Delee, The Crescent.  
 Nora Ryan, Old Gort Rd.

**Sun 28th 10am:** Special intention.  
 Deceased Collins family, Kerry;  
 Drudy family, Roscommon & Sligo.

**11.45am:** John Frawley, Corrovorrin Ave. MM.  
 (Followed by interment of ashes).  
 Eileen & PJ O'Loughlin, Kevin Barry Ave.

**Mon 10.30am:** No intention booked.

**Tues 10.30am:** Book of Intentions.

**Wed 10.30am:** Rita & John Mulkerrins & John Jnr, Marian Ave.

**Thu 10.30am:** Eleanor Harwood, Ivy Hill & Galway. MM.

**Fri 10.30am:** Eileen Leydon, London.  
 Mary & Mickey O'Gorman, Marian Ave.

**Sat: 10.30am:** No intention booked.

**7pm:** Christina Cullinan, The Green, Lifford. MM.  
 Kathleen Collins, Cranny. MM.  
 Frank Gibbons, Kincora Park.

**Sun 5th 10am:** Bridie Rynne, Miltown Malbay.  
**11.45am:** Griffin Family, Kilmaley.  
 Tommie Guilfoyle, St. Claire's Close, Gallows Hill.

Meeting room available for rent in St. Joseph's Meeting Hall. Contact Martina, Parish Office.

**Cloughleigh**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**Sun 28th 11am:** Michael Hoare, Morrissey Ave.  
**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.  
**Sun 5th 11am:** Margaret (Rita) Rynne, Ennis.  
 Eugene White, Mungret & Considine Rd.  
 Noel Fawl, Gordon Drive, Bridget Egan, Newtown, Corofin.

**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 to all who apply.

### First Holy Communion

On Saturday next 4th May the children of Ennis National School will celebrate First Holy Communion at the 11:00am Mass in the Cathedral.  
Please keep the children, their parents and teachers in your prayers as they prepare for the sacrament.

### Lourdes Invalid Collection

The second collection at all masses next weekend is asking for your support in helping bring sick and terminally ill pilgrims to Lourdes in this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage. This is the first time since 2019 that the Diocese is able to bring sick and assisted pilgrims to the Grotto of Lourdes. This appeal helps support the medical and care needs for these pilgrims. Your generosity to this appeal is very much appreciated.

### Canon Brendan O'Donoghue

The Month's Mind mass for Canon Brendan will be celebrated in Mary Immaculate Church, Corrib Drive Shannon on Saturday 4th at 12noon.

### Welcome to the Pallottines

This weekend we welcome Fathers Liam and Martin and Brother Stephen Buckley from the Pallottine Fathers' Mission who will speak at all masses to promote their mission work. There will be a retiring collection to support the appeal.



The Pallottines were founded by Saint Vincent Pallotti, who was born in Rome in 1795. From his childhood he offered his life to the service of the poor, and founded the Union of Catholic Apostolate. At that time the laity were not actively involved in the ministry of the Church and Saint Vincent wanted to inspire people of all walks of life to work for God's kingdom. Saint Vincent wanted people to treat those in need "with care and with a loving concern". He died in 1850, leaving a legacy that continues to inspire people worldwide today. The Pallottine Fathers & Brothers are located here in Ireland in Thurles & Dublin.

**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](http://www.glor.ie) or from Glór box office 065 6843103. In support of Pieta House and Sláinte an Chláir. See you there!



### May the Month of Mary

On Wednesday 1st May we celebrate the feast of St. Joseph the worker. May is the month of Mary. An opportunity for a May Altar in your home or class room and also an opportunity to pray the Rosary. We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May.

### Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Bring flowers of the rarest  
bring blossoms the fairest,  
from gardens and woodlands  
and hillside and dale;  
Our full hearts are swelling,  
our glad voices telling  
the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!

### Chorus:

*O Mary we crown thee  
with blossoms today!  
Queen of the Angels  
and Queen of the May.  
O Mary we crown thee  
with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels  
and Queen of the May.*

The Rosary will be prayed each evening during the month of May at the following grottos in the parish.

### Rosary in honour of Our Lady

- Dalcassian Park daily 6pm
- Hermitage Grotto daily 6.30pm
- Marian Avenue Grotto daily 7pm
- Corrovorrin Crescent daily 7pm
- Gallows Hill daily 7pm
- St. Michael's Villas daily 7.30pm
- Loughville Grotto daily 8pm
- Fountain Grotto daily 8.30pm
- Buttermilk Grotto daily 7pm

## Sr. Eileen's Cuinne

### Machnamh

Leagann an Eaglais an-bhéim, go bhfuil Críost i láthair ina bhriathar, mar is é Críost a labharíonn gach uair a léitear an scríoptúr sa liotúirge. Tugann léacht an Bhíobla an sean agus an nua, an bhrí ba chiall leis an chéad uair agus faoi mar is féidir é a chur in oiriúint do thoscaí an lae inniu, nó fiú do cheisteanna fós le teacht. Ní teagmháil aigne, inleachtach lom amháin atá anseo, mar tá Críost i láthair lena Spiorad agus lena ghrásta.

Agus, ar ndóigh, tá sé i láthair i modh faoi leith san Eocairist, i mbriseadh an aráin, gníomh a thugann chun cuimhne dúinn na bríonna iomadúla a bhí le briseadh an aráin d' íosa féin lena bheatha agus tar éis aiséirí dó.

The Church places great emphasis on the presence of Christ in His word, as it is Christ who speaks every time scripture is read in the liturgy. The Bible readings, the old and the new, bring together its meaning for the first time and how this can be adapted to today's circumstances, or even questions still to come. This is not just a thought of mind, a bare intellectual exercise because Christ is present with his Spirit, and His grace.

And, of course, He is present in particular in the Eucharist, in the breaking of the bread, an act that reminds us of the many meanings of breaking the bread for Jesus himself with his life and after His resurrection.

### Newly Baptised

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

Blanka Furdyna



### Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 21st April

Fund €5,762.00  
Online €88.50

### REST IN PEACE

Lauretta (Laurie) Doogan (nee Leahy), Caherdavin, Limerick & Erinagh, Fountain;

Enzo D'Auria, Saint Trofimena, Clonroadmore;

Geraldine Frost, Carra Mor House Brothers of Charity, Ennis and Late of Feenagh, Sixmilebridge;

Raymond Greene, Ballymaquiggan, Larch Hill,

Moira Breheny, Moate, Co. Westmeath, mother of Barry, Willsgrove and Fr. Padraig OFM;

Peter McMahan, Mullgagh, mother of Mary McMahan, Ennis;

Jimmy Madigan, Newemarket on Fergus, brother of Carmel Kitson, Loughville;



# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

O Sing a new song to the Lord,  
for he has worked wonders;  
in the sight of the nations  
he has shown his deliverance, 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 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the  
disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they  
could not believe he was really a disciple.  
Barnabas, however, took charge of him,  
introduced him to the apostles, and explained  
how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken  
to him on his journey, and how he had  
preached boldly at Damascus in the name of  
Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them  
in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name  
of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the  
Hellenists, and argued with them, they became  
determined to kill him. When the brothers  
knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him  
off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea,  
Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace,  
building themselves up, living in the fear of the  
Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy  
Spirit.

The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

Response: You, Lord, are my praise  
in the great assembly.

My vows I will pay before those who fear  
him.

The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.

They shall praise the Lord,

those who seek him.

May their hearts live for ever and ever! R

All the earth shall remember  
and return to the Lord,  
all families of the nations worship before him.  
They shall worship him,  
all the mighty of the earth;  
before him shall bow all who go down to the  
dust. R

And my soul shall live for him,  
my children serve him.

They shall tell of the Lord  
to generations yet to come,  
declare his faithfulness to peoples  
yet unborn:

'These things the Lord has done.' R

## A reading from the first letter of St. John

1 Jn 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words  
or mere talk, but something real and active;

only by this can we be certain

that we are the children of the truth

and be able to quieten our conscience

in his presence,

whatever accusations it may raise against  
us, because God is greater than our con-  
science and he knows everything.

My dear people,

if we cannot be condemned

by our conscience,

we need not be afraid in God's presence,

and whatever we ask him, we shall receive,

because we keep his commandments

and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these:

that we believe in the name of his Son

Jesus Christ and that we love one another

as he told us to.

Whoever keeps his commandments,

lives in God and God lives in him.

We know that he lives in us

by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Make your home in me,

as I make mine in you, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty

Alleluia!

## A reading from the Holy Gospel accord- ing to John

Jn 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine, and my Father is the  
vinedresser.

Every branch in me that bears no fruit he

cuts away, and every branch that does bear  
fruit he prunes to make it bear even more.

You are pruned already,

by means of the word that I have spoken to  
you.

Make your home in me, as I make mine in  
you.

As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,

but must remain part of the vine,

neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine, you are the branches. Who-  
ever remains in me, with me in him, bears  
fruit in plenty;

for cut off from me you can do nothing.

Anyone who does not remain in me

is like a branch that has been thrown away -  
he withers;

these branches are collected and thrown on  
the fire,

and they are burnt.

If you remain in me and my words remain in  
you,

you may ask what you will and you shall get  
it. It is to the glory of my Father that you

should bear much fruit,

and then you will be my disciples.'

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 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

I am the true vine and you are the branch-

es, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him,

bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.