

# 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-](http://www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/st-josephs-church-webcam)

[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-](http://www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/franciscan-friary-webcam/)

[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;

Email: [info@ennisparish.com](mailto:info@ennisparish.com)

St. Joseph's:- 6829584

Cloughleigh:- 6797489;

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B 5th May, 2024



**Edmund Ignatius Rice, F.P.M., C.F.C.** was a Catholic missionary and educationalist. He was the founder of two religious institutes of religious brothers: the Congregation of Christian Brothers and the Presentation Brothers. **Today May 5th is his Feast Day.**

He was born in Ireland at a time when Catholics faced oppression under Penal Laws enforced by the British authorities, though reforms began in 1778 when he was a teenager. He forged a successful career in business and, after an accident that killed his wife and left his daughter disabled and with learning difficulties, thereafter devoted his life to the education of the poor. Christian Brothers and Presentation Brothers Schools around the world continue to follow the traditions established by Edmund Rice

A life of commitment to love of others lies at the heart of the Gospel of St John for this Sixth Sunday of Easter, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love" (John 15:9) fitting sentiment as we celebrate the Feast Day of someone, who, in our history, faced the heartbreak of the loss of his wife and lifechanging injuries to his daughter. As if he took that line from St John's Gospel to heart and focused his life's energy to 'remain in Christ's love' as he set about to love another as Christ had loved him. Later in the reading of St John's Gospel for our Mass today "I commissioned you to go out and bear fruit, fruit that will last" Edmund Rice lived his life of being **commissioned to go out and bear fruit** as he set about teaching an impoverished society of his time as he set up the missionary and teaching religious societies of the Christian Brothers and Presentation Brothers.

Indeed a quote attributed to Edmund Rice bears the hall mark of St John's Gospel .. ***"Have courage; the good seed will grow up in the children's hearts later on."*** ***"O God, did we even now rightly begin to serve you, your loving heart would take us all to its final embrace."*** ***"Be intent on prayer and whatever may happen will turn to our good."***

### Logo of the Christian Brothers explained

The central symbol of Christianity, ie, the Cross, is also central to our expression of our identity as Christian Brothers. The shape of the Cross takes its origin from Celtic Spirituality as does our congregation. The significance and insights of Edmund Rice are highlighted in the stylized E which is incorporated in the logo.



**Priest on Duty 5th May 2024**  
**Contact: Fr. Pat Malone 065 6869098**



**Cathedral**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**

**Sat: 6.30pm:** Joe Arthur, Gort Rd., Ennis.  
 Mary 1st Anniv and Patrick Keane, McNamara Park.  
 Bernie and Mary Hennessy, Kilkee.  
 David Slattery, John Pau Ave.  
 Josephine Garvey and Thomas Kierce and dec'd family, St Michael's Villas.  
**Sun 5th 8am:** No intention booked.  
**9.30am:** George Metcalfe, New Rd.  
 Costelloe and O'Donoghue Families, Ennis and 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 McMahon Morrissey Ave.  
 Ann and Robyn Lacey, College Green.  
 Colm Casey, Beechpark.  
 Patsy Lees, Newport, Tipperary.  
**Mon 7.40am: No Mass**  
**11am:** Celia & Jeremiah, Tuohy, Feakle.  
**7.30pm:** Matt Talbot Prayer Society.  
**Tues: 7.40am** Book of Intentions.  
 Special Intention.  
**11am:** Patrick, Kathleen and Kieran O'Loughlin,  
 St Michael's Villas.  
**7.30pm:** Michael O'Doherty, Childer's Rd.  
 Paschal Molloy, Hermitage.  
**Wed 7.40am:** Holy Souls.  
**11am:** No intention booked.  
**7.30pm:** Paddy O'Brien Ballaghboy, Doorra. MM  
**Thurs 7.40am:** Joe McInerney, Doorra and Heuston  
 Texas.  
**11am:** No intention booked.  
**7.30pm:** Alfred and Patricia O'Neill, St Michael's Villas.  
 Chris Meaney, Limerick Rd.  
**Fri 7.40am:** Mass for the People  
**11am:** Betty Cunniffe, Greendale and Waterford. MM  
 Josephine Latchen, Aughanteroe, Gort Rd.  
**7.30pm:** Christina Murphy Whelan, College Park.  
**Sat: 11am:** Anne and Terry Fry, Summerhill and Herne  
 Bay, Kent.  
**6.30pm:** Val Bredin, Barrack St. **1st Anniv**  
 John Brown, 'St. Anthony's', Circular Rd. **1st Anniv**  
 Marie Gardiner, Considines, Terrace. **1st Anniv**  
 Anthony Daly, Golf Links Rd. **1st Anniv**  
 Jack & Molly Burke & dec'd family, Dunsallagh.  
**Sun 12th 8am:** John Meaney, Surrey  
**9.30am:** No Intention booked.  
**11.30am:** Rory Kennedy, Cloonteen, Ballyalla. **1st Anniv**  
 John and Rebecca Hogan, Shanaway Rd. **1st Anniv's**  
 Margaret Staunton, Gallows Hill.  
 Annie Caul, London and Ballinruan.  
 Paddy & Margret Quinn, Clare Rd.  
 Ann and Kevin Naughton, Summerhill.  
 Donal MacMathuna, Ballybeg, Ennis.

**Cathedral Renovation Appeal**  
 Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge the following contributions €100, €55 & €50x2 received for the appeal; these once off contributions are very much appreciated and are helping to complete the renovation work at the Cathedral.

**Pallottine Mission Appeal**  
 The Pallottine Priests and Brothers who held a mission appeal in our parish last weekend are grateful to the people of Ennis who contributed €6,782.14 for their mission appeal. They assure us of their prayers and gratitude

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
 Takes place in the Cathedral from Monday to Friday from 5pm to 7pm.

**Ennis Branch CCE Annual Fundraiser Céilí** with The Five Counties CB at Cois na hAbhna, Galway Road, Ennis, Sunday May 5th 3pm - 6pm. Admission €10. 065 68 24276

**College of Further Education & Training,** Ennis Campus Open Evening: The College of FET in Clonroad, V95KT95, will hold an Open Evening on Thursday May 9th from 5:00pm to 8:00pm. Visit our Ennis Campus to learn about the wide range of full-time and part-time programmes available.

**Clare Suicide Bereavement Support**  
 8 weeks' programme beginning Tuesday 7th May, 7.30pm in the CSBS premises Roslevan Ennis.

**The Clare Branch of the Alzheimer Society** continues its Information Cafe on the third Wednesday of each month, in our Ennis Centre, V95P9V9, from 11.30-13.30. Next Cafe is on the 15th of May, with guest speaker Sarah Curran, senior Speech and Language Therapist with the HSE, covering Swallowing Issues/ Dysphagia. Join us for tea and a chat. For more information contact Linda Murphy 0879152151, e-mail: linda.murphy@alzheimer.ie



**St. Joseph's**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**  
**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.  
**Mon 10.30am: No Mass**  
**Tues 10.30am:** Book of intentions.  
**Wed 10.30am:** Eileen Cosgrove, Kincora Park.  
 Michael Lernihan, Pearse Avenue.  
 Special Intention.  
**Thu 10.30am:** No intention booked.  
**Fri 10.30am:** No intention booked.  
**Sat: 10.30am:** No intention booked.  
**7pm:** James Cahill, Shannon Park. **1st Anniv**  
 John Darcy, "Ashling", Shanaway Rd. MM  
 Chrissie Clune, Ballymachill.  
**Sun 12th 10am:** No intention booked.  
**11.45am:** Tom Roche, Kincora Park.  
 John Doohan, Kincora Park.

**Newly Baptised**

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

**Bria Purtill, Ardlea Close;**  
**Jane Julia Ward, Conrmarket St.;**  
**Eve Therese Donnellan, Silvergrove, Ballybeg.**



**Cloughleigh**

**Remembered in Masses this Week:**  
**Sun 5th 11am:** Margaret (Rita) Rynne, Ennis.  
 Eugene White, Mungret & Considine Rd.  
 Noel Fawl, Gordon Drive, Bridget Egan, Newtown, Corofin.  
**Mon 9.30am:** No Mass  
**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.  
**Wed 9.30am:** John Lynch, Mullagh.  
**Thurs 9.30am:** Special Intention.  
**Fri 9.30am:** Holy Souls.  
**Sun 12th 11am:** Tom Stack, Lifford Rd.

**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.

**REST IN PEACE**

Gerry Malone, Cornmarket St;  
 Enid McMahon, Ashmoy House, Gort Rd;  
 Joe Hester, Ballynacally & retired teacher in St. Flannan's College;  
 Michael Quinn, Turnpike Rd;  
 Mary Kenny nee Scanlan, Corofin & late Market St., Ennis;



**Ennis Parish  
 Development Fund  
 for Sunday 28th April**

**Fund €5,153.00**  
**Online €134.50**

### Blessed Edmund Rice

This Sunday 5th May we celebrate the Feast Of Blessed Edmund Rice founder of both the Christian & Presentation Brothers. Here in Ennis we have an Edmund Rice presence for the last 197 years. This continues today in the CBS Primary School and Rice College.

We wish every blessing to the present Christian Brothers' Community; Brothers Dick, Denis, Michael & Donal whose presence with us enriches our parish community.

### May the Month of Mary



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
- Buttermarket Grotto daily 7pm

### Lourdes Invalid Appeal

This weekend, the second collection at all masses is to support and care for sick and terminally ill pilgrims who will travel on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in June. This is the first time since 2019 that the Diocese is able to bring sick and assisted pilgrims.

Your generosity to this appeal will make dreams become reality for these people. Some people choose to sponsor a sick pilgrim to go the Lourdes. The cost is €750 and more details from Fr. Tom.

### Pilgrimages

This year the Diocese will be organising the following pilgrimages

#### Lourdes

June 21st to 26th Fully Booked

September 30th to October 5th

Booking: [joewalstours.ie](http://joewalstours.ie)

Tel: 01 2410800

#### Knock Shrine

Sunday 7th July Diocesan Pilgrimage

#### Lough Derg

Bank Holiday Monday 5th to Wednesday 7th August

All three pilgrimages will be led by Bishop Fintan.

### Safeguarding Month



**May is Safeguarding month in the Diocese of Killaloe.** Safeguarding seeks to be proactive, ensuring safe environments for all our ministries and covers both children and vulnerable adults. Education and training are key in keeping the safeguarding message current and not allowing complacency. We hold regular training and information sessions for all parish volunteers and Priests ministering to children and adults.

You can find the 2024 training plan on the website [www.killaloediocese.ie/safeguarding](http://www.killaloediocese.ie/safeguarding)

### Bank Holiday Monday

Masses in Ennis on this Monday are as follows:

8:30am	Poor Clare Monastery
10:00am	Friary
11:00am & 7:30pm	Cathedral

CANTARE CHOIR WITH ORCHESTRA PRESENTS

*Vivaldi's Gloria*

*Summer from The Four Seasons*



Plus a selection of your favourite classic string pieces.

Saturday 11th May at 8pm in the Cathedral SS Peter & Paul

Soloists: Regina Nathan, Helen Houlihan, Ruth Kelly, Hannah O'Shea (Violin), Eoin Shanahan (Organ)  
Musical Director: Michael Hennessy.

Tickets €20 available online from [www.glor.ie](http://www.glor.ie) or Glor Box Office 065 6843103 in support of Sláinte and Chláir & Pieta House.

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

### An Séú Domhnach den Cháisc

Tráth sé seachtaine idir Aiséirí Chríost agus Féile na Deascabhála is ea Tréimhse na Cásca. Le linn na Cásca ceiliúraimid an Tiarna aiséirithe go háirithe san Aifreann. Tá seans againn machnamh a dhéanamh ar theachtairacht Chríost Aiséirithe. Ullmhaíonn an Soiscéal inniu do na féilte Deascabháil ar dTiarna agus teacht an Spiorad Naomh ar na hApsail Domhnach Cincise. *"Tá an méid sin inste agam daoibh, fad a bhí mé ag fanacht agaibh, ach an Cabhróir, an Spiorad Naomh, a chuirfidh an tAthair uaim i m'ainmse, múinfidh seisean an uile ní daoibh..."* Eoin 14: 25-26. Bhí a fhios ag Iosa go raibh an-eagla ar na deisceabail agus iad ag tabhairt faoin todhchaí agus gan E a bheith leo. Tá cabhair an Spioraid Naomh geallta dúinne chomh maith chun ár gcreideamh, ár ndóchas agus ár ngrá a neartú agus a choimeád beo. Tá an Spiorad Naomh linn go pearsanta inár mBaiste agus inár gCóineartú. Nílimid tréigthe ag Dia. Tá sé linn agus beidh sé linn i gcónaí. Trína chumhacht is féidir linn bheith inár n-eiseamláirí dóchais, grá, sólais, agus maithiúnas os comhair an tsaoil. *Guímis go raibh Críostaithe mar lóchrainn solais de ghrá Dé sa saol mor. Aimeán.*

Easter is a period of six weeks between the Feast of the Resurrection and Ascension Day. During the season of Easter we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus especially in the Mass. We have had time to reflect on the message of the Risen Jesus. Today's Gospel promises that after the Ascension the Holy Spirit will descend on the Apostles at Pentecost. *"I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything..."* John 14: 25-26. He knew that the Apostles were afraid as they faced the future without Him. We also are promised the help of the Holy Spirit to keep alive our spirit of faith hope and love. He is with us personally in our Baptism and Confirmation. We are not forsaken by God as He is with us always. Through His power we must be signs of hope, love, consolation and forgiveness in the world. *Let us pray that Christians will always be a guiding light showing God's love in the world. Amen*

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
The Lord has freed his people, 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 10:25-26.34-35.44-48**

As Peter reached the house, Cornelius went  
out to meet him, knelt at his feet and  
prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up.  
'Stand up', he said, 'I am only a man after all!'  
Then Peter addressed them: 'The  
truth I have now come to realise', he said, 'is  
that God does not have favourites, but that  
anybody of any nationality who fears God  
and does what is right is acceptable to him'.

While Peter was still speaking the  
Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners.  
Jewish believers who had accompanied  
Peter were all astonished that the gift of the  
Holy Spirit should be poured out on the  
pagans too, since they could hear them  
speaking strange languages and proclaiming  
the greatness of God. Peter himself then  
said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of  
baptism to these people, now they have  
received the Holy Spirit just as much as we  
have?' He then gave orders for them to be  
baptised in the name of Jesus Christ.  
Afterwards they begged him to stay on for

## Responsorial Psalm

*Response:* .  
*The Lord has shown his salvation  
to the nations.*

Sing a new song to the Lord  
For He has worked wonders.  
His right hand and his holy arm  
Have brought salvation. **R.**

The Lord has made known his salvation;  
Has shown his justice to the nations.  
He has remembered his truth and love  
For the house of Israel.  
**R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen  
the salvation of our God.  
Shout to the Lord all the earth,  
Ring out your joy. **R.**

**A reading from the first letter of St. John.**  
**1 Jn 4:7-10**

My dear people,  
let us love one another since love comes  
from God  
and everyone who loves is begotten by God  
and knows God.  
Anyone who fails to love can never have  
known God,  
because God is love.  
God's love for us was revealed  
when God sent into the world his only Son  
so that we could have life through him;  
this is the love I mean: not our love for  
God,  
but God's love for us when he sent his Son  
to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

## The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*Jesus said: If anyone loves me, he will keep  
my word and my Father will love him,  
And we shall come to him.'*  
*Alleluia!*

**A reading from the holy Gospel accord-  
ing to John**

**Jn 15:9-17**

Jesus said to his disciples:  
'As the Father has loved me, so I have  
loved you.  
Remain in my love.  
If you keep my commandments you will  
remain in my love,  
just as I have kept my Father's  
commandments  
and remain in his love.  
I have told you this so that my own joy  
may be in you  
and your joy be complete.  
This is my commandment:

love one another, as I have loved you.  
A man can have no greater love  
than to lay down his life for his friends.  
You are my friends,  
if you do what I command you.  
I shall not call you servants any more,  
because a servant does not know his  
master's business;  
I call you friends, because I have made  
known to you  
everything I have learnt from my Father.  
You did not choose me, no, I chose you;  
and I commissioned you to go out and to  
bear fruit,  
fruit that will last; and then the Father will  
give you anything you ask him in my name.  
What I command you is to love one  
another.'

## 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

**If you love me, keep my commandments,  
says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and  
he will send you another Paraclete,  
to abide with you for ever, Alleluia**