

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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Email: info@ennisparish.com

St. Joseph's:- 6829584

Cloughleigh:- 6797489;

Friary:- 6828751

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B 16th June, 2024

We may not always know!

Seed is thrown on the land by the sower ..
“Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know” Mark 4:26-34.

So much of what happens in our life these days is played out publicly... we might imagine we don't have a private thought or a private aspect to our lives. However, Just as is suggested in today's Gospel regarding the 'seed of faith' metaphor ... out of sight, what is planted in us will reap rewards at the time of harvest having being nurtured through the night's and days of our lives even when we were unconsciously providing the environment for it's nurture.

The environment of the depth's within each of us, is the most sacred of sanctuaries. Surely there lies the great incubator of the richness and goodness we are called to be, by Jesus, by the way we live our lives.

“Holy Spirit, you fill the universe, and you cause a life of communion with God to grow within each one of us. And there, goodness of heart and self-forgetting for the sake of others burst into flower.”

Brother Roger of Taizé.

Oh that the second metaphor of today's Gospel could speak to our experience in our lives ...
“a mustard seed which at the time of it's

sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet, once it is sown it grows in to the biggest shrub of them all and puts out large branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in it's shade.” Mark 4:26-34 (continued)
When a time of challenge comes our way, that we might discover the magnitude of what we might have imagined to be the tiniest faith seeds planted within ... and not just be a source of strength for self in a moment of difficulty .. But ... also a shade for another to shelter from a life's storm that has consumed them. May the seed of faith grow in each of us reaching a bountiful harvest for self and others.



Priest on Duty Sunday 16th June, 2024
Contact - Fr. Tom Ryan - 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6:30pm: Matt Corry, Loughville. **1st Anniv**
 Geraldine Nihill, Ros na Rí, Shanaway Rd.
 Shannon family, Cornmarket St.
 Carmel & Frankie Dinan, McNamara Park.
 Bridie Kearney, Gordon Drive.
 Noel Davis, Ballyalla.
 William O'Neill, Turnpike & Golf Links Road.

Sun 16th 8am: No intention booked.

9:30am: Sr. Francesca & Sr. Eva Neylon, U.S.A.
 Nan & Mary Boland.
 Francey & Tess Glynn, Francis Street.

11:30am: Nicholas Moloney, McNamara Park.
 Una Cleary, "Hillcrest", Cahercalla.
 John Snr & John Jnr Scahill, Fountain.
 Delia & John Corey, Loughville.

Mon: 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Joan Spaight, Sixmilebridge.

7.30pm: Paddy Arthur, Parnell St.
 Marcella Corey, Kilrush Rd.
 Bro Seán MacNamara, Christian Brothers,
 New Road. **1st Anniv**
 Tony & Karen Cosgrove, Golflinks Rd & Dalcassian Pk.

Tues:7.40am Book of Intentions.

11am: Cora Moloney nee Rice, Claremount,
 Clarecastle & Ennis.

7.30pm: John & Eileen Howard, Circular Rd.

Wed 7.40am: Special Intention.

11am: Jim & Bridie Moroney & family, late Hermitage.

7.30pm: Eugene & Carmel Ryan, Clare Rd.
 Eileen O'Brien, Ballybeg.
 Mick & Dilly Hinton, Shannon.
 Mary Keane, Kilrush Rd.

Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Angela White, Considine Rd. **MM**
 Susan & David Kavanagh, Clancy Park.
 John Bennis, late St. Joseph's St., Limerick.

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Thomas Cosgrove, Ard na Greine.
 Special Intention.
 James Lynch, Limerick Rd.

7.30pm: Mary Molloy, Turnpike Rd. **MM**
 Mary Brooks, Pierce Ave., Cloughleigh. **1st Anniv**

Sat:11am: George & Eileen Bradley, Drumcliffe Rd.
 Michael & Rose Meehan, Fergus Park.

6.30pm: Oliver Cassidy, Turnpike Rd.
 Margaret Geraghty, Kincora Pk.
 Brendan & Imelda Ryan, Hermitage.
 John Malone, Clareview, Ballybeg.
 Angela Lyne, Limerick Rd.

Sun 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: No intention booked.

11.30am: Bobby Burke, Laureen Drive. **1st Anniv**
 Vivienne Guerin, Glensheen, Gort Rd. **1st Anniv**

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

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

Priests' Summer Collection

The priests of the Pastoral Area thank all who contributed to this appeal. As one of only four appeals in the year, your generosity is very much appreciated.

Lourdes

Due to a cancellation, four seats have now become available on this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage, which leaves from Shannon on Friday 21st June, returning on Wednesday 26th June; €899 includes flight, transfers and full board with three meals each day. Immediate booking if interested to: info@joewalshstours.ie or 01-2401800

Petitions for Lourdes

Our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes leaves on Friday next. If you would like to send a petition to the grotto, please leave into the parish office by 5pm on Thursday evening and Fr. Tom will bring them to the Grotto on Friday.

Lough Derg



Our Parish and Diocesan Pilgrimage will take place from Bank holiday Monday 5th to Wednesday 7th August. The bus will leave from the Cathedral at 7am sharp; total cost €135. Early booking is recommended to secure a place contact parish office (065) 6824043



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 7pm: Hugh, Frances & Mary Gilmore, Drumcliffe.
 Mary Cahill, Shannon Park.
 Tom & Mary Butler, Marian Avenue.
 Mark Slattery, Corrovorrin Grove.

Sun 16th 10am: No intention booked.

11:45am: No intention booked.

Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.

Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.

Wed 10.30am: John, Winnie & Bridie Hayes, Coore.

Thu 10.30am: Eileen Leydon, London.

Fri 10am: St. Anne's Graduation Mass
10.30am: No Mass
Sat: 10.30am: No intention booked.
7pm: No intention booked.

Sun 23rd 10am: Damian Moroney, Steele's Terrace.
 Joe, Nell, Tom & Noreen Walsh, Clonroad.
11.45am: No intention booked.

Please note that there is no 10:30am mass in St Joseph's on Friday 21 June. St Anne's School will celebrate their graduation mass at the earlier time of 10am and all are welcome to attend.



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 16th 11am: No intention booked.

Mon: 9.30am: No intention booked.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Wed 9.30am: Paddy & Tony O'Connor,
 Miltown Malbay.

Thu 9.30am: Nora & Michael Linnane &
 deceased family, Considine Tce.

Fri 9.30am: No intention booked.

Sun 23rd 11am: No intention booked.

Exam Students



We continue our prayers for all who are doing exams this week.

Prayer for Exam Students
 O' God help all students doing exams,
 Help them to remember well
 and think clearly
 Help them not to be so nervous
 or excited that they will
 do themselves an injustice
 Keep them calm
 but clear headed
 Help them to try their hardest
 and do their best .
Amen

Ennis Parish
 Development Fund
 for Sunday, 9th June 2024

Fund **€5,665**
 Online **€642**

St Anne's School

On Friday next 21st June, St. Anne's school will celebrate fifty years. Mass will be celebrated at 1pm in St. Joseph's Church followed by refreshments in the school. All are welcome.

We congratulate all involved in St. Anne's over the past fifty years, for the wonderful education and opportunities provided to children from all over County Clare.

'Day for Life':

a dedicated day celebrating the beauty and dignity of all human life

Day for Life Sunday is celebrated annually with a special message by the Catholic Church across Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day specifically dedicated to raising awareness and reflecting on the deep value and meaning of human life at every stage, and in every condition. On Sunday 16 June, the Church will mark Day for Life 2024 with a message on the theme: The Lord is my shepherd - Compassion and Hope at the End of Life.

This year's message reminds us that Jesus did not send the sick away, rather He showed that life always has dignity and that there is no such a thing as a useless life. Catholics are called to defend this gift of life to its natural end and to protect vulnerable citizens from a culture that could pressure them into assisted suicide. In this way, we are encouraged to support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment, and the best of care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy and love.

This message also includes a brief human-interest story about a young man named Matt, and the experience of a priest who ministered to Matt and his loved ones in his final months and days. This grace-filled time proved to be a period of intense compassion and profound dignity, as well as faith enriching experience of love and generosity for all concerned.

The Day for Life message is available on <https://councilforlife.ie/day-for-life-2024/>

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY MY FATHER

When I was:

4 years old: My daddy can do anything.

5 year old: My daddy knows a whole lot.

6 year old: My daddy is smarter than your dad.

8 year old: My dad, doesn't know exactly everything.

10 year old: In the olden days when my Dad grew up, things were different.

12 year old: Oh well, naturally, Father doesn't know anything about that.

He is too old to remember his childhood.

14 year old: Don't pay attention to my Father, he is old fashioned.

21 year old: Him? My goodness, he is so hopelessly out of date.

25 year old: Dad knows a little about it, but then he should because he has been around so long.

30 year old: Maybe we should ask Dad what he thinks. After all, he's had a lot of experience.

40 year old: I wonder how Dad would have handled it.

He was so wise and had a world of experience.

50 year old: I'd give anything if Dad were here now so I could talk this over with him.

Too bad I didn't appreciate him when he was alive. I could have learned a lot from him.

CLARECARE OVER 65'S CLUB ENNIS/DAY CARE CENTRE

Situated in the grounds of Cuan an Chláir, Cahercalla. Offering a variety of activities: hairdressing; Bingo

; Exercise; Music and singing; Arts and Crafts. A hot home cooked meal; fun; laughter and friendship and much more. Call 086-4183535/065-6828901 (9AM-3PM) for further details.

Grow Mental Health, Peer support groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues with recovery through community. Ennis meetings-Maria Assumpta Hall, Station Road. Monday at 8pm-10pm and New meeting opening Tuesday 2-4pm. www.grow.ie/ Celia 086 1526966

Join **CANA Ireland on the KERRY CAMINO**, June 21-23, for an adventure of Body, Mind and Soul. An opportunity for couples to experience nature together, see new perspectives, and celebrate relationship. Sign up before 18th June! Canairland.org

Lost: 3 stone diamond engagement ring and wedding band. If found contact Parish Office.



Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Lá don Bheatha

Celliúrtar Lá don Bheatha go bliantúil ag an Eaglais Chaitliceach in Éirinn, in Albain, i Sasana agus sa Bhreatain Bheag. Lá tiomanta atá ann chun feasacht a ardú maidir le brí agus luach an bheatha dhaonna ag gach céim agus i ngach riocht. Tá grá ag Dia do chách agus is bronntanas luachmhar í an bheatha nach ceart í a dhíothú nó failli a dhéanamh uirthi. Mar sin, ar an lá speisialta seo gabhaimis fíorbhuíochas le Dia as ucht ár mbeatha fhisiceach agus ár mbeatha spioradálta. ***A Thiarna go raibh meas againn i gcónaí ar dhíne na beatha daonna ón tús sa bhroinn go dtí bás nádúrtha nuair a ghlaofar ar ais orainn go flaitheas.***

Today is the Day for Life, an annual celebration for the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raise awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. God loves everyone and life is a precious gift that should not be eradicated or neglected. Therefore on this special day dedicated to upholding the dignity of all human life, we thank God for our physical and spiritual lives. ***Lord, that we have always respect the dignity of human life from conception to our natural death when we return to God.***

Rest in Peace

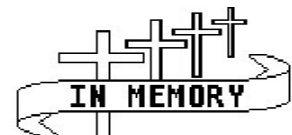
Sr. Marie Dolores O'Brien, late of Ferns, Co. Wexford, sister of Anne Kehoe, Rockmount;

Esther Foley nee Hickey, Fergus Park & Adare, Co. Limerick;

Frank O'Malley, Kilbreckan, Doorra and late of Fergus Park;

Mary Fitzgerald, Ballymacahill;

Mary Meaney, Cranny, mother of Deirdre McGrath, Loughville;



Knock

Diocesan Pilgrimage of Sunday 7th July. Contact Brigdale Coaches for booking a seat on the bus that will leave from St. Joseph's Church at 9.30am on the day. info@brigdalecoaches.com or 086 8034092

Sum of money found in Francis Street near the entrance to the Poor Clare's. Contact: Parish Office.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help.

Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

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 prophet Ezekiel

Ezk 17:22-24

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar,

From the highest branch I will take a shoot
And plant it myself on a very high mountain.

I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,
And become a noble cedar,
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,
Every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.

And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it'.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
To make music to your name,
O Most High,

To proclaim your love in the morning
And your truth in the watches of the night. *R*

The just will flourish like the palm-tree
And grow like a Lebanon cedar. *R*

Planted in the house of the Lord
They will flourish in the courts of our God,

Still bearing fruit when they are old,
Still full of sap, still green,

To proclaim that the Lord is just.

In him, my rock, there is no wrong. *R*

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

2 Cor 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight - we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God,

Christ the sower;

Whoever finds the seed

will remain forever.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Mk 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest

has come.

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

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

There is one thing I ask of the Lord,
only this do I seek:

to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.