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NEWSLETTER



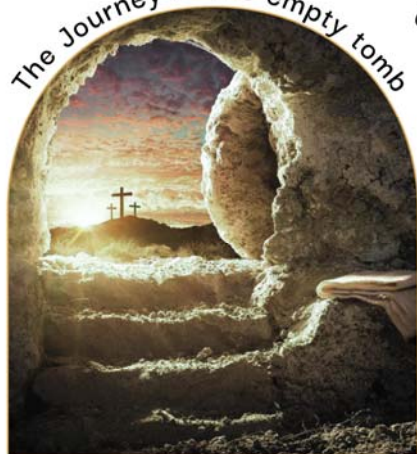
EASTER DAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

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Easter Season Begins

20th April 2025

The Journey to the empty tomb



"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."

John 20:2-8

The journey began much earlier, those callers to the tomb on that first Easter morning had spent some years with Jesus as he journeyed to Jerusalem for what awaited, his arrest, torture and ultimate walk up Calvary to his crucifixion .. Even though warned along the way that something of this nature awaited him in Jerusalem, they couldn't have been prepared for what had taken place ... now, talk of an empty tomb, Jesus alive ... just as he HAD told them.

One take away from the story as told in St John's Gospel is the sense of companionship of the TWO disciples, their different pace and the acknowledgement that one had more lived experience than the other and so they younger waited in those final moments so they BOTH could experience this moment of epiphany together. All roads before and during the climb of Calvary led to the empty tomb of Easter. The promise fulfilled.



All of us need to recognise the journey .. the climb .. the pace (slow or fast) a journey that doesn't need to be alone, aware of another who might lead the way for the final steps. Our Lenten journey might mirror our very life journey, moments of strengthened faith collided by moments when torturous experiences of rejection, failure, world's chaos, bereavement, slows us on our own Calvary slope blinded by summit's crucifixion unable to envision the 'empty tomb'.

We are in the middle of this Jubilee year of hope, pilgrims of hope, challenged to journey 'TOGETHER' and wait for each other should our pace slacken. Together THEY SAW and they believed.

With similar encouragement ... can we believe, we too can see and we too can believe.

ENCOURAGEMENT

One of the most beautiful gifts in life is the gift of encouragement. When someone encourages you, they help you cross a threshold you might not have managed alone. Every life has moments of deep uncertainty. Left alone, you may feel lost and weighed down. But when a friend arrives with words of encouragement, a lightness enters—you begin to see the way out. It's not just their words or gestures, but their whole presence that surrounds and uplifts you. They understand you, walk in your shoes, and offer not judgment, but comfort and release. — **John O'Donohue**

In this Jubilee year of hope, can we be pilgrims of hope together, living this call as we 'walk on with hope in our hearts' ENCOURAGING each other as people of Gospel JOY.

Mass Times

**Cathedral-www.ennisparish.com/webcam
Radio link:106.4fm**

Monday to Friday 7.40am, 11am & 7.30pm
Saturday 11 am & Vigil 6.30pm
Sunday 8am, 9.30am & 11.30am

St. Joseph's- www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/stjosephs-church-webcam

Monday to Friday 10.30am
Saturday 10.30am & Vigil 7pm
Sunday 1 0am & 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

Phone Numbers: Cathedral:- 6824043;

Email: info@ennisparish.com
St. Joseph's:- 6829584
Cloughleigh:- 6797 489;
Friary:- 6828751

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Priest on Duty 065 6869098 Contact: Fr. Ger Jones



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: Holy Saturday.

Sun 20th: Easter Sunday,.

1pm: Mass for Brazilian Community.

2.30pm: Mass for Polish Community.

Mon: 7.40am: No 7.40am Mass.

11am: Josephine & Denis Rice, Maureen McAllister & Malone Family, Ennis.

Jimmy & Bridie Frawley, Woodlawn.

7.30pm: Halpin Family, O'Connell St.

Enid O'Loughlin, Corrovorrin Grove.

John & Maureen Duddy, England.

Tues: 7.40am No 7.40am Mass.

11am: Book of Intentions.

7.30pm: Pakie & Frances Eustace, Kilrush Rd.

Deceased Brohan & Nestor Families, Ennis

Wed 7.40am: No 7.40am Mass.

11am: Eileen Barron (Doll), Newmarket-on-Fergus.

Simon, Margaret & Sr. Pius McCarthy,

Clohanes, Doonbeg

7.30pm: Rita & Tony Kenny, Hermitage.

Deceased Enright & Kenny Families.

Thurs 7.40am: No 7.40am Mass.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Veronica Fenton, Ard na Gréine.

Fri 7.40am: No 7.40am Mass.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: No Mass - Concert.

Sat: 11am: Ned Collins, St. Flannan's Tce.

Dwain Walzer, USA.

Ellen O'Sullivan, Castlewood Park.

Ita & Paddy Real, Francis St.

Kay & Vincent Banks, Scotland.

Pat & Angela Kelly, Kildysart.

6.30pm: Mary & Deceased Finlay Family, Ennis.

Gertie Byrnes (nee Corbett), Newcastle,

Athenry & Dublin.

Sun 27th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Brian Corey, Kilrush Rd.

Lizzie Neylon, Parnell St.

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

Teresa & William Clohessy, Drumcliffe.

Bernard Mahony, Moveen, Kilkee.

11.30am: Eddie Daly, Hermitage.

Tony Lillis, Edenvale.

Dolly & Patrick Lillis, O'Connell St.

Monsignor Ignatius Murphy, Kilkee.

Eleanor Murphy, Inch.

Michael & Kathleen McNamara, Glensheen.

Paddy Quinlivan, Kilmihil.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €250 & €50. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

Blessing of new Life

A baby is a Blessing

a gift from Heaven above,

A precious little Angel,

to Cherish and to Love

A date for your diary. The Abbey Pastoral Area in association with Quin Pastoral Council invite all expectant parents to a blessing for the gifts of new life on Tuesday 13th May in St. Mary's Church Quin.

Burren Outdoor Retreat.

Saturday 17th to Monday 19th May

Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and soul.

More Information:

Mary 087 970 1130.

Booking: Des 085 1614951

The 2025 Easter Fundraising Campaign for Bóthar supports education for trafficked girls in Tanzania. Make this year a Spring of Hope at www.bothar.ie. email: info@bothar.ie Tel: +35361414142

100 Years Young

We congratulate Mary Quinn from Golf Links Road who celebrates her 100th Birthday this Easter Sunday. Congratulations Mary and many more years of health and happiness.



Newly Baptised

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



Nela Tess Liddy-Chlebicki;

Tom Patrick Malone;

Ronan John O'Brien;

Rossa Colmán O'Flatharta

Billy Kennedy

St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat : Holy Saturday.

Sun 20th Easter Sunday.

Mon 10.30am: No intention booked

Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.

James Gallagher, Ennistymon &

Cuan an Chláir. 1st Anniv.

Holy Souls.

Wed 10.30am: Margaret McMahon, Dysart & Cork.

Thu 10.30am: Val Hogan, Morrissey Ave.

Fri 10.30am: Nuala Gallagher, Sligo.

Sat: 10.30am: Eddie Worrell, London.

Mary Conway, Larchill.

7pm: Barry Coughlan, Corrovorrin Grove.

Nora Ryan, Old Gort Rd.

Mary Carroll, Kilrush Rd.

Sun 27th 10am: Denis & Bridie Greer, Shannon Pk.

Jimmy & Celia Casey, Old Gort Rd.

11.45am: Patrick Power, Castlawn, Tulla Rd.

Joe, Kitty & Sheila Glynn, Lifford Rd.

Nancy Tubridy, Doonbeg.

When attending mass in St. Joseph's please do not park in front of or block the hospital entrances, thanks you. These entrances are clearly marked and must not be obstructed at any time.

Masses for Easter week

Cathedral

Monday to Saturday 11am & 7:30pm

Friary

Monday to Saturday 10am

St. Joseph's

Monday to Saturday 10:30am

Poor Clare Monastery

Monday to Saturday 8:30am

Please note; no 7:40am mass in the Cathedral or 9:30am mass in Cloughleigh this week.

Rest in Peace



Josie Hinckley née McNamara, Brighton & formerly Steele's Terrace, Ennis.

Noel O'Loughlin, Ahern's Tce;

Steve Lynch, Coore, husband of Rev. Vikki Lynch, St. Columba's Church, Bindon St.

Maureen Hoolan, Dunkerrin, sister of the late Canon Brendan O'Donoghue.

Those we love don't go away;
They walk beside us every day.

Unseen, unheard but always near.
Still loved, still missed, and very dear.
Wishing us hope in the midst of sorrow,
Offering comfort in the midst of pain,
both today and tomorrow.



Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 20th 11am: Mary McMahon, John Paul Ave.

Sun 27th: Michael Hoare, Morrissey Ave.

Flan Cassidy & Fr. Frankie Cassidy & Decd Cassidy Family, Cusack Rd.

Special Intention.

Peter Mc Mahon.

Priests' Easter Collection

The first appeal of the year to support the priests from the Pastoral Area who serve the Parish will take place at all masses this Easter weekend. Envelopes are available in all our churches and your support is greatly appreciated.

Dawn Mass

Easter Sunday Dawn Mass this year will be celebrated this Easter Sunday morning at 6am at the Quay in Clarecastle



Divine Mercy



Divine Mercy celebrations will take place in the Cathedral on Sunday next 27th April beginning at 2pm with mass celebrated at 3:30pm.

Bank Holiday Masses

8:30am	Poor Clare Monastery
10am	Friary
11am	Cathedral
7.30pm	Cathedral

Trócaire

Now that the Lenten Season has concluded we invite you to return your Trócaire Box or contribution. The hardest part to the annual Trócaire appeal is getting the Trócaire Box from the kitchen table to the Church. Please make an effort to return your contribution as soon as possible, because what you share is urgently needed to relieve the poor and suffering in the world.



Easter Holy Water is available in all our churches of the parish in special containers. We ask you to bring your own bottle to fill. We are trying in our own small way to reduce and reuse especially plastic.

Clare FM Remembers

This Easter Sunday Clare FM at 7pm broadcasts a tribute to one of its best known and loved broadcasters, Fr. Cletus Noone O.F.M. who died last November.

Clarecare over 65's club at Ennis Day Care Centre. Now taking new members on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Offering a variety of activities including bingo, exercise, music and singing. A hot home cooked meal, fun, laughter, friendship and much more. Call 086-4183535/065-6828901 9AM-3:30pm for further details to discuss bus runs

Buíochas

As we celebrate Easter this weekend, a word of thanks and gratitude to all who helped and organised the various ceremonies of Holy Week.

To Finbar Coakley for the Palm on Palm Sunday, our Sacristans, Choirs and Musicians, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Counters and Collectors, Parish Staff and Volunteers. Those who prepared our Easter Garden and Flowers and all who participated in the various ceremonies.

May the Peace of the Risen Christ be with us all this Easter time and a very Happy Easter to all of our parishioners and all visiting our Parish this Easter.

God's Influence

On Sunday next 27th April Carlo Acutis will become a Saint in Rome following his Canonisation.

The young Carlo who was born in London on 3rd May 1991 and died 15 years later in Italy is now the patron Saint of the Internet.



As a web designer and gamer he made a choice in his short life - God or nothing; he chose God. "Not I, but God" in 5 simple ways:

Mass, Adoration, Confession, Spiritual Guidance, befriending Mary and the Saints and Charity.

As the Patron Saint of young people, we have produced a fridge magnet to help young people seek his guidance as God's influencer.

As he said himself, "Everyone is born an original but many die as photocopies".

The magnets cost €3 each or 2 for €5 with the proceeds towards funding youth ministry for young people.

Cantare Choir and Orchestra Faure Requiem 1893 Version

Musical Director: Michael Hennessy

Soloist: Andrea Sheehan & Richard Hayes

Guest Choir: Harmony Bro.

Piano: Irina Dernova

Guest Ensemble: The Burren Trio

Ennis Cathedral April 25th @ 8pm. Tickets available from Glór Box Office 065 6843103 or at www.glor.ie

In support of Clare Crusaders' Clinic



Please note that there will be no evening mass on Friday in the Cathedral due to the concert.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Domhnach Cásca

Inniu Domhnach Cásca, an fhéile is mó i bhféilire na hEaglaise. Mar sin bímis lúcháireach inniu. Tá daichead lá caite againn le linn an Charghais ag guí, ag déanamh iobairtí agus ag cleachtadh spioradálta chun a bheith réidh an Cháisc a cheiliúradh le díograis chroí agus brí iomlán a bhaint as bás agus aiséirí Chríost. Tá Críost faoi ghlóir anois. Nuair a d'aiséirigh sé léirigh sé gur bhuaiigh sé ar an mbás, ar an bpeaca agus ar chumhacht an oilc. Chruthaigh sé gurbh É féin Dia. Bhí an tuama folamh agus bhí ionadh an domhain ar a chairde nuair a thaispeáin Íosa é féin dóibh. D'aithin siad é. Chreid siad go raibh sé aiséirithe, agus líonadh a gcroí le háthas. Tá go leor seanchas ag baint le hAiséirí Íosa. Anseo in Éirinn 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 bhrí go raibh ár Slánaitheoir ina bheatha arís. Théidís go barr na gcnoc fiú go moch ar maidin chun an t-iontas a fheiceáil. Is féidir an paidir seo a rá.

*Éirim suas le Dia, go n-éirí Dia liom,
Lámh Dé i mo thimpeall, ag suí is ag lui
is ag éirí dom. Áiméan.*

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the greatest feast in the Liturgical Calendar. So let us rejoice. We have spent forty days during Lent praying, making sacrifices and spiritual exercises in preparation to celebrate Easter with dedication and the meaning of the Resurrection of Jesus. Christ is in glory now. In the Resurrection Jesus showed his victory over death, sin and the power of evil. He proved he was God. The tomb was empty and his friends were surprised when he appeared to them. They recognised him. They believed he had risen from the dead and they were filled with joy.

In Ireland there is much folklore surrounding the Resurrection of Jesus. Our ancestors believed that the sun danced, and that nature celebrated on Easter Sunday because Jesus had risen from the dead. They used to go to the top of the hills to see this spectacle. We can say this prayer.

*I arise with God, May God rise with me,
God's hand about me as I sit, as I lie and
as I rise. Amen.*



Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday 13th April 2025

Fund €5,663.00
Online €398.50

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 Fa-
ther, 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

Peter addressed Cornelius and his house-
hold: 'You must have heard about the recent
happenings in Judea; about Jesus of Naza-
reth 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
country-side of Judea 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 al-
lowed him to be seen, not by the whole peo-
ple but only by certain witnesses God
had chosen beforehand.

Now we are those witnesses - we have
eaten and drunk with him after his resur-
rection from the dead - and he has or-
dered 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.

John 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 other disciple, the one Jesus
loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of

the tomb' she said 'and 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 fast-
er 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 be-
lieved. 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 giv-
er 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
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