



ENNIS PARISH

NEWSLETTER



Sixth Sunday of Easter

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John 14:23-29

25th May 2025***"The In-between times .. Easter Resurrection and Pentecost"***

The Advocate, The Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you" (John 14:23-29) ... One can only imagine the tension for Jesus as he spends these last moments with his Disciples .. Promising they would not be left alone, yet his need to move aside, as it were, so they could assume the mission he had prepared them for. The tension ... his belief in them on the one hand and their fear on the other ... "Peace I bequeath you, my own peace I give you" these moments resonate from Pope Leo's opening address as he was announced as the one to succeed Pope Francis.

Thousands of years pass yet belief and memory remain important. Belief in Jesus' promise and the memory of successive generations of believers who continue the mission of Discipleship.

Each of us, like those early Disciples, have to contend with our darkened rooms of self doubt, and the obstacles that prevent us becoming who we are capable of becoming. It with the breath of the Holy Spirit that we are asked to trust.

Joyce Rupp suggests that inside each of us there awaits a wonderful spirit of freedom, waiting to dance in the rooms of our

hearts that are closed, dark and cluttered, waiting to dance in the spaces where negative feelings have built barricades, waiting to dance in the corners of our hearts where we do not believe in our own goodness.

Let us remember that 'Inside each of us there awaits a wonderful spirit of freedom and joy'. May these feelings find a place in our daily life as we live out our faith.

Inside each of us

"Inside each of us there awaits a wonder full spirit of freedom, she waits to dance in the rooms of our heart that are closed and cluttered. she waits to dance in the spaces where negative feelings have built barricades and stock-piled weapons. she waits to dance in the corners where we still did not believe in our goodness inside each of us. there awaits a wonder full spirit of freedom. she will lift light feet and make glad songs within a day on the day, we open the door of ego and let the enemy stomp out!"



Sister Joyce Rupp, O.S.M., is a Roman Catholic author and speaker. She is the co-director of The Institute of Compassionate Presence, a member of the Servite Order,

May that same Spirit, bring peace to our hearts where she will dance to a rhythm replacing negativity and barricades with a belief in self and the power of God to work in and through us.

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 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

Phone Numbers: Cathedral:- 6824043;Email: info@ennisparish.com

St. Joseph's:- 6829584

Cloughleigh:- 6797 489;

Friary:- 6828751

Ennis Parish Web Site: <http://www.ennisparish.com>**Facebook : <http://www.facebook.com/ennis.parish>**



Priest on Duty 25th May, 2025

Contact: Fr. Tom Ryan - Tel. 065 6869098



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Martin Mounsey, Marian Ave.
Flan Ryan, Drumcliffe Rd.
Liam Reidy, Gort na mBlath, Tulla Rd. & Castlebar.
Peter Considine, Drumadrehid, Kilrush Rd.
Kenneth Weir, Dublin.
Mary Kelly, Knock, Kilrush.

Sun 25th: 8am: No intention booked.
9.30am: Mairead McCaul, Castlewood Park. **MM**
Mary & Gerard Davoren, Kilcorney, Kilfenora.
Paddy O'Connell, Shanballya, Lahinch Rd.
Delia Reidy, Golf Links Road.

11.30am: May Roche, Boston, Tubber.
Christy & Bridie Murphy, Hermitage.
Rory Kennedy, Ballyalla.
Ann & Kevin Naughton, Summerhill.
John & Bridie Murray, Mullagh.
Eamon Moloney, McNamara Park.

1pm: Mass for the Ukrainian Community.
5pm: Mass for the Brazilian Community.

Mon: 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: Jim Courtney, Ard na Gréine.
7.30pm: Anne & Martin Cronin, Drumbiggle.

Tues: 7.40am: Book of Intentions.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: No intention booked.

Wed 7.40am: John & Anne McNamara, Corofin.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Mass for the Residents of Dalcassian Park & surrounding areas, living and deceased.
Anna White, College Grove.
Philip Ostenso, Mount Dora, Florida.
Rosamma Devasia, India.
George Hamilton, Kilrush & Spain.
PJ Cleary, Cahercalla Cross.

Thurs 7.40am: John & Bridget Stokes, Limerick.
Dan Barrett, Cork.

11am: Bridie Kelly, Carmody St.
7.30pm: Gerard Marrinan, Hermitage.
William, Eileen & John Kerin, Hermitage.

Fri 7.40am: No intention booked.
11am: George Tuohy, Gort na Ri.
7.30pm: No intention booked.

Sat: 11am: Michael (Haulie) O'Connell,
St. Michael's Villas & burial of ashes.
Sr. Mary O'Connell, St. Xavier's Convent. **MM**
Owen & Eileen Griffin, Pauline Lucey (nee Griffin),
& Una O'Donoghue (nee Griffin), Ennis.
Paul Hickey, Tullassa, Inch.
Brendan Sullivan, 'Rossa', Clonroad.

6.30pm: Shay Moloney, Ard Aoibhinn & Hazelwood.
Flannan Hehir, Beechgrove, Toonagh, **1st Anniv.**
Brian Malone, O'Connell St. & Castlelawn.
Noel Davis, Ballyalla.
Julian Gaskas, & Algicdas Fecka, Lithuania.

Sun 1st 8am: Costelloe & O'Donoghue Families,
Ennis & Cork.

9.30am: Bridget & Michael Keane, Kilrush Rd.
11.30am: **Fleadh Nua Mass.**
Michael Hartnett, Loughville. **1st Anniv**
Jack Kenneally, Waterpark Heights.
Catherine Murphy, 'Carraig Dubh', Tobertaoscaín.
John (Jackie) & Mary Hanrahan,
St. Michael's Villas.
Lily Close, Spanish Point.
Johnny Flynn, Turnpike Rd.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge a donation of €1,000. Your generosity to the Cathedral Renovation Appeal is much appreciated. Thank you.

Priests' Summer Collection

The Summer Collection for the priests of the parish will take place at all Masses next weekend. This is the second of only four appeals in the year to support your priests. Envelopes are available and we thank you for your generosity.

Safeguarding



"Even when the path forward is difficult and demanding, I urge you not to get bogged down; keep reaching out, keep trying to instil confidence in those you meet and who share with you this common cause. Do not grow discouraged when it seems that little is changing for the better. Persevere and keep moving forwards!"
Inspired by Pope Francis' words, this new child safeguarding policy builds on the foundations of past learning and experiences. The policy provides a new focus on leadership and governance to embed a culture of safeguarding.

St. Anthony's Novena



The annual St. Anthony's Novena at the Franciscan Friary begins on Wednesday 4th June and concludes on Friday 13th June, the Feast of St. Anthony. This year the Novena will be led by Fr. Kieran Fitzsimons OFM.

First Holy Communion



This weekend the children from Scoil Christí Rí and Gaelscoil Mhíchíl Ciosóg celebrate the Sacrament. On Friday at 12 noon the children from St. Clare's School will receive their First Holy Communion. Please keep the children, teachers and parents in your prayers.

St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: Mary & James Cahill, Shannon Park.
Jimmy & Theresa Madigan, Marian Ave.

Sun 25th 10am: John, Seán & Rose O'Sullivan,
Kevin Barry Ave.
Mark Farren, Corrovorrin & Niall Whyte, Lifford Rd.

11.45am: Aidan & Nora McEvaddy, St. Senan's Rd.
Christy Rushe, College Rd.

Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.
Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 10.30am: Maureen Skelly, New Rd.
Sean & Chrissie O'Connell, The Crescent.

Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.
Fri 10.30am: No intention booked.
12noon: First Holy Communion - St. Clare's School.

Sat: 10.30am: Noreen Carroll, Ennis & Naas, Kildare.
7pm: John & Mary Roughan, Shannon Park.
Pat Scully, Clancy Park.
Teresa Scully, Childers' Rd.

Sun 1st 10am: Seamus O'Sullivan, Rosanore.
11.45am: Michael McGrath, Corrovorrin Grove.
Mortimer & Elizabeth Guthrie, Loughville.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 25th 11am: Special Intention.
Mon: 9.30am: No intention booked
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 9.30am: Martin, Kitty, PJ & Michael Killeen,
Miltown Malbay.
Thu 9.30am: No intention booked
Fri 9.30am: No intention booked
Sun 1st 11am: Special Intention.

REST IN PEACE



George Hamilton, Vandeleur St. Kilrush & Spain,
brother of Don Hamilton, Gallows Hill;

Aidan Deegan, Brookfield, Lahinch Road;

Brendan Derrane, The Crescent;

Michael Collins, Clare Road;

Martin Tierney, Drumcliffe;

Marie Higgins, Clarecastle, sister of Ann Hahessy,
Castlewood Park & Paul Slattery, Summerhill.

Rose Molyneaux, Listowel, mother of Caitriona,
Rice College.

Imelda Christie (nee Malone), Glenbeigh, Co. Kerry
and late Cornmarket St.

Newly Baptised

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

Rowan Nora McCarthy



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 6pm
- Ballybeg Grotto daily 8pm
- St. Joseph's Well daily 6pm
- May devotions Mass with take place at Corrovorrin Crescent; Tuesday 27th at 7pm
- Rosary and Benediction at Buttermarket Grotto; Wednesday 28th at 6pm
- Rosary and Benediction at Marian Avenue Grotto; 7pm Thursday 29th May
- Rosary and Benediction at Lees Rd; Friday 30th May 7:30pm
- May Devotions Thursday 29th May Rosary and Benediction at Marian Avenue Grotto at 7 p m



Fleadh Nua Choir Workshop

Choir Workshop Saturday 31st May at 10am Maria Assumpta Hall.

This workshop is in preparation for Aifreann Traidisiúnta - the Traditional Mass at Fleadh Nua on Sunday 1st June at 11.30am in the Cathedral. Workshop will be led by Fiona Walsh, Musical Director at the Cathedral and Therese McInerney, Traditional Musician. All welcome.

Enquiries enniscathedralchoir@gmail.com

Fleadh Nua 2025



We welcome all who have come to Ennis to celebrate the best of our music, song and dance. The Fleadh Nua Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral on Sunday 1st June at 11.30am.

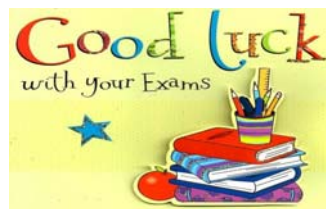
Fridge Magnets

The final total of €4,233.50 was received from the sale of the magnets remembering Pope Francis and his call to us not to forget the poor.

This money will be divided between Trócaire and St. Vincent de Paul in memory of Pope Francis. Our thanks to Anthony Moore for production and to the volunteers and staff at both the Parish and Friary Offices who sold the magnets.

A magnet honouring the election of Pope Leo XIV is now available in both the Friary and Parish Offices with proceeds going to Faith Formation in young people.

Prayer for Exam Students



O God help all students doing exams to remember all they have studied and learnt; Help them to remember well and think clearly. Help them not to be nervous or excited or to do themselves an injustice. Keep them calm and clear headed, To try their hardest and to do their best. Amen.



As the Easter Season comes to a close, a final call out for any Trócaire Boxes or offerings. We would appreciate their return so that we can send our parish contribution to Trócaire. With the daily crisis in Gaza, food shortages, war and conflicts, our Trócaire contributions do make a difference.

Mass of Remembrance at Cliffs of Moher



Annual Mass of Remembrance at the Cliffs of Moher by kind permission organised by North Clare Prayer Group on Thursday 29th May at 7pm. All welcome.

Healthcare & Childcare Recruitment Event, Tuesday 10th June, 10am-12 midday. Located in College of Further Education & Training, Ennis Campus V95KT95. Arrive on the day or pre-book your free ticket to attend through Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.ie/>

Year of Jubilee Pilgrimages Lourdes:

Franciscan Pilgrimage
24th - 29th September
Diocesan Autumn Pilgrimage
29th September - 4th Oct.

Knock Shrine:

Sunday 6th July
Rome Youth Pilgrimage
28th July - 4th August
Lough Derg:
Tues 5th - Thursday 7th August



Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday, 18th May

Fund €4,854.00
Online €193.50

Sr. Eileen's Céinne

Paidir na gCúig Mhéar

1. An tOrdóg: Is í an tordóg an mhéar is gaire duit. Tosaigh ag guí ar son na ndaoine is gaire duit. Is iad seo na daoine is fusa smaoineamh orthu. Tá sé de dhualgas orainn smaoineamh ar na daoine is ansa linn.
 2. An Méar Thosaigh, (an Chorrhméar): Guímis ar son na ndaoine a mhúineann, a threoraíonn agus a leigheasann sinn. Tá gá acu do thacaíocht agus d'eagna chun daoine eile a threorú.
 3. An Méar Fhada: Cuireann an mhéar seo i gcuimhne dúinn ár gceannairí agus lucht údaráis. Tá treoir Dé uathu de shíor.
 4. Méar an Fháinne: Is í seo an mhéar is laige. Cuireann sé i gcuimhne dúinn guí ar son daoine laga, daoine breoite agus iad siúd faoi bhrón agus bhriseadh croí.
 5. An Lúidín: Is í seo an mhéar is lú. Guímis ar ár son féin. Feicimid ár riachtanais tar éis dúinn guí ar son na ngrúpaí eile.
- Bain triail as guí sa mhodh seo agus go n-éirí an t-ádh leat.*

The five finger prayer

1. The thumb is closest finger to you. Start praying for those who are closest to you. They are the persons easiest to remember. To pray for our dear ones is a "Sweet Obligation."
2. The index finger is next. the index. Pray for those who teach you, instruct you and heal you. They need the support and wisdom to show direction to others. Always keep them in your prayers.
3. The following middle finger is the longest. It reminds us of our leaders, the governors and those who have authority. They need God's guidance.
4. The fourth finger is the ring finger. It is our weakest finger. It should remind us to pray for the weakest, the sick or those plagued by problems.
5. Our smallest finger. We pray for ourselves. We see the need, having prayed for the other four groups.

Office Administrator

Would you like to work with a nationwide organisation supporting marriage and the family in communities across Ireland?

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is an agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland. It is committed to supporting family relationships by providing Sacramental Marriage Preparation Courses, a Couples' and Relationship Counselling Service and Relationship Education Programmes for Primary Schools.

This is a temporary position offered on a specific purpose contract basis. The role will remain in place until the specific purpose for which it was created no longer applies. The expected minimum duration is three months.

Please email C.V (including references) together with a covering letter to Susan Shorten, Regional Director, sshorten@accord.ie Closing Date for applications is Friday 13th June 2025.

ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is an equal opportunities Employer.

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 15:1-2.22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught
the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves
circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot
be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after
Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with
these men it was arranged that Paul and
Barnabas and others of the church should go up
to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the
apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose
delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and
Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this.
They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and
Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and
gave them this letter to take with them:

"The apostles and elders, your brothers, send
greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch,
Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our
members have disturbed you with their demands
and have unsettled your minds. They acted
without any authority from us, and so we have
decided unanimously to elect delegates and to
send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men
we highly respect who have dedicated their lives
to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly
we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will
confirm by word of mouth what we have written in
this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit

and by ourselves not to saddle you with any
burden beyond these essentials: you are to
abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood,
from the meat of strangled animals and from
fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is
right. Farewell.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

*Response: Let the peoples praise you,
O God; Let all the peoples praise you.*

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. R

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. R

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. R.

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo. 21:10-14.22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an
enormous high mountain and showed me
Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God
out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God
and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-
clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great
height, and had twelve gates; at each of the
twelve gates there was an angel, and over the
gates were written the names of the twelve
tribes of Israel; on the east there were three
gates, on the north three gates, on the south
three gates, and on the west three gates. The
city walls stood on twelve foundation stones,
each one of which bore the name of one of the
twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since
the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were them-
selves the temple, and the city did not need the
sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the
radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted
torch for it.

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 according to John. John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,

and we shall come to him
and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my
words.

And my word is not my own: it is the word of
the one who sent me.

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 and remind you of
all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I
give you, a peace the world cannot give, this
is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.
You heard me say: I am going away, and
shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to
know that I am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may
believe.'

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 res-
urrection 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.