



ENNIS PARISH

Ss. Peter & Paul Cathedral

NEWSLETTER



TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Luke 18:1-8

Sunday 19th October 2025

Mission Sunday

“Jesus told his disciples about the need to pray continually and never lose heart.”
Luke 18:1-8

On this World Mission Sunday ... we are offered a pretty good Mission statement as we celebrate the history of what this day means in our faith story from the days Jesus set foot in Galilee ... through generations who have left native shores to walk in missionary footsteps, to this day when we may realise that to be missionary in the now, our focus must begin across the street to be “Missionaries of HOPE among all peoples ... those peoples include family, neighbours and friends ... and we need to become truly Missionaries of HOPE.!

Jesus engages with his Disciples In this Sunday's Gospel, these same Disciples, he was to send out as his first Missionaries, by reminding them that to be truly Disciples, continual prayer needed to be their most trusted friend and a heart that held passion and belief to be their most protective armour.

Having told them his following parable about the Judge and the justice seeking widow, he concludes with a rather stern like question ... “But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?” This remark calls on us, I believe, to revisit his opening remark

“Jesus told his disciples about the need to pray continually and never lose heart.”

May our prayer this Mission Sunday serve to strengthen our faith in the one whose mission in coming as Son of God was that we might have life and live it to the full With passion in our hearts for the Gospel and “its transforming power”.



World Mission Sunday
19 October 2025

“ ——— THE CALL OF MISSION
IS TO LOVE JESUS IN SUCH A WAY THAT
YOU DON'T NEED A SPECIFIC
EVENT OR PLACE TO WITNESS
BUT THAT
MY MISSION IN LIFE IS NOT
MERELY TO SURVIVE,
BUT TO THRIVE; AND TO DO SO
WITH SOME PASSION,
SOME COMPASSION, SOME HUMOR,
AND SOME STYLE.
FROM A HEART DESIRING TO SEE
HUMANITY SAVED
WE LIVE EVERY SINGLE MOMENT
COMMITTED TO BEING
WITNESSES OF THE GOSPEL
AND IT'S TRANSFORMING POWER ——— ”

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>

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Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 6.30pm: Anne Manton, Ardlea Rd.
 Francie McMahon, Morrissey Ave.
 Mary Mahony, Parnell St.
 Jimmy Moroney, Golf Links' Rd.
 Paulette Fitzpatrick, Harmony Row.
 Josie Moloney, McNamara Park.
 Annette Moylan, Golf Links' Rd.
 James Molloy, Ennis & William Quin, Athlone.

Sun 19th 8am: Pat & Mai Tynan (nee Leyden),
 College Rd. Ennis & Mill Road, Limerick.

9.30am: Eddie & Maura Cotter, Victoria Court.

11.30am: Kitty Tuohy, Station Court MM.
 Claire O'Brien, Kincora Park & Ruan. **1st Anniv.**
 Nellie Daly, Clare Rd.
 Frank Moroney & Moroney Family, Hermitage.
 Garry O'Loughlin, London.
 Padraig O'Halloran, Woodlawn, Lahinch Rd.
 Eileen Mungovan, Gort na mBlath, Tulla Rd.
 Michael Evans, Golf Links' Rd.

1pm: Mass for the Ukranian Community.

6.30pm: Mass for the Polish Community.

Mon 7.40am: Holy Souls.

11am: Donor Intention.

7.30pm: Daniel Pyne & Deceased Pyne Family,
 McNamara Park.
 Brigid White, Park Avenue & The Market.
 Tom & Josie McNamara & Deceased Family,
 Circular Rd.
 Maureen & Tom Fitzgerald, Kilmihil.

Tues: 7.40am Book of Intentions.

11am: Maureen Toop, London & Shragh.
 Special Intention.

7.30pm: Enrolment Mass HFS First Communion.

Wed 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Esther & Christy Gilligan, Cloughleigh.
 Enrolment Mass HFS - Confirmation.

Thurs 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Frances O'Dwyer, Knock & Ennis.
 & Internment of Ashes.

7.30pm: Enrolment Mass ENS, First Holy Communion.

Fri 7.40am: Pat & Kitty Kissane & Ger O'Brien,
 Ennis, Dublin & Cork.

11am: Bridie O'Connor, Cashel, Co. Tipperary.

7.30pm: Rita Flynn, Ballymaley.

Sat: 11am: Tony Kelly, Fergus Park. MM.
 Darragh Hennessy, Avondale, Kilrush Rd.
 Tommy & Patsy Moloney, St. Michael's Villas.

6.30pm: Sadie **1st Anniv.** & Frank McInerney,
 College Green.
 Eamon & Colette Kelly, Brookville & Woodview.
 Paul, Patrick & Baby Mary Crowley, Cahercalla Est.
 Anne Marie Lucas, Cusack Rd.
 Tommy Cullinan, Waterpark.
 Anne Marie O'Regan, Orchard Grove, Gort Rd.
 Jack Moloney, Hermitage.
 Frank Brennan, Clonroad.
 Seán Griffin, Drumcliffe.

Sun 26th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Teresa Kenny, Rathflyn, Corofin.
 John Moloney, Cusack Rd.

Kathleen Hanrahan & Pappy Gleeson, Dalcassian Park.
 Mary O'Connell, 'St. Therese', Limerick Rd.

11.30am: Margaret (Peggy) **1st Anniv.**
 & Seán Connolly, St. Patrick's, Ard na Gréine.
 Martin & Maureen O'Halloran, Laureen.
 Francis White, Considine Rd.
 Maura White Kennedy, Connolly Villas & Liverpool.
 Christopher (Buddy) & Joan Dinan, Waterpark Heights
 Tom Cotter & Deceased Family, Loughville.
 Kathleen Quinn, Corofin & Park Ave.
 Frank Coffey, Considine Rd.
 William Sweeney, Sonas, Tobar na Meala.

Mission Sunday



This Sunday is known as World Mission Day. Pope Leo is asking every single parish in the world to support Missionaries who are working and serving in the remotest corners of the earth. This is a day when the whole Church unites in praying for Missionaries and offering practical support where possible. Pope Leo served as a missionary in Peru and is passionate about the care of missionaries. The Second Collection at all masses this weekend is to offer our support for missionaries.

Your generosity is very much appreciated.

Cemetery Sunday Sunday 2nd November All Souls' Day

Columbarium Cathedral
 after 11.30am Mass

Corrovorrin Cemetery 2pm

Drumcliffe Cemetery 3pm

Comhghairdeas!!



Congratulations to Éire Óg on achieving the double last weekend with success in the Football Championship.

A massive thank you to all in Éire Óg who does so much for the young people of our parish.

Newly Baptised



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

Iarlaith Hanrahan;
Oscar Patrick Hanrahan;
Kasey Tommy O'Brien

St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: No intention booked.

Sun 19th 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: Patrick & Margaret Seery & Family,
 Tulla Road.

Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.

Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.

Wed 10.30am: Deceased Dullaghan & Connolly
 Families, Dundalk & Newry.

Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.

Fri 10.30am: Jimmy Frawley, Corrovorrin Ave. &
 Australia & Larry Frawley, Hermitage & England.

Sat: 10.30am: Nuala Keane, Tullyodea, Ruan.
 James & Sheila Corry, Lissycasey.

7pm: No intention booked.

Sun 26th 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: Michael & Anthony Dormer,
 Nancy & Tommy Dormer, Ennis.
 John Joe, Mary & Noel Morgan
 & Family, Roscommon.

James Shannon, Laura & Noel Colleran, Shannon
 Park & Quin.

Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 19th 11am: Patrick & Christina Coote,
 Considine Tce.

Mon: 9.30am: James Anthony Hunt, Dublin & Kilkee.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Sun 26th 11am: Tommy, Esther & John O'Brien,
 Hermitage.
 Special Intention.

Mile Buiochas

Thanks to those who have expressed interest in helping at St Joseph's. You are still very welcome to add your name if you would like to help in the church in any of the following roles;
 Minister of the Eucharist, Readers, Choir, Cleaners and Sacristy.

Training will be given where necessary.



Le Chéile Youth Ministry

Le Chéile Youth Ministry group will hold its first meeting of the year in Church of Our Lady, Roslevan / Fahy Hall on Sunday 19th Oct 6-8pm

It's open to TY, 5th, 6th & College students. Come along for an opportunity to meet other young people of faith, have fun & meet new friends.

For more info contact

Fr Donagh O' Meara	087 232 2140
Myriam Black	087 234 1831
Joanne O' Brien	086 600 9682

Enrolment for Sacraments

Pupils from Ennis National School and Holy Family School preparing for First Holy Communion & Confirmation will be enrolled at 7.30pm Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Please keep the pupils, their parents and teachers in your prayers as they share and pass on the gift of faith to the next generation.

Update on Cathedral Renovation Appeal

Planning Permission has been granted to change the Cathedral heating system from oil to natural gas. Currently tender documents are being prepared for the next phase of works. These works will include

1. The conversion from oil to natural gas.
2. Installation of new drainage system on the Cathedral grounds to prevent flooding.
3. Replacement of flag stones at the front of the Cathedral to help with the drainage.

These works cannot start until the Spring of 2026. In the meantime, a temporary oil tank has been installed on the grounds of the Cathedral to provide heating for this winter.

We thank you for your understanding and to the many people who continue to make donations to the Cathedral Renovation Appeal for these works to be completed.

St. Teresa of Avila

Last Wednesday we celebrated the Feast of the 16th Century Spanish Carmelite Nun, who in 1970 was declared a Doctor of the Church.

Words from St. Teresa of Avila Growing Older

Lord, you know better than I myself,
that I am growing older and will someday be old.
Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking
I must say something on every subject
and on every occasion.

Release me from craving to straighten out
everybody's affairs.

Make me thoughtful but not moody;
Helpful but not bossy.

With my vast store of wisdom,
It seems a pity not to use it all;
But You know, Lord,

That I want a few friends at the end.

Keep my mind free from the recital of endless
details;

Give me wings to get to the point.

Seal my lips on my aches and pains;

They are increasing, and love of rehearsing them
Is becoming sweeter as the years go by.

I dare not ask for improved memory,

But for a growing humility and a lessening
cocksureness when my memory seems to clash
with the memories of others.

Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I
may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet,

for a sour old person is one
of the crowning works of the devil.

Give me the ability to see good things
in unexpected places

and talents in unexpected people;

And give, O Lord, the grace to tell them so Amen.

REST IN PEACE

Christina (Chrissie) Finn (nee Molloy),
Gordon Drive

Anthony Griffin,
Barefield & late O'Connell St.,

Elizabeth Crowther,
Hazel Lane, Gort Road.



Sacrament Dates 2026

THE SACRAMENTS



Celebrating the sacraments is at the core of our parish life. Details of Reconciliation, Holy Communion, Confirmation celebrations for each school in the parish are as follows:

Sacrament of Reconciliation

HFS Thurs 26th February 6pm, Cathedral.

ENS Tuesday 3rd March 6pm, Cathedral.

Ceremony of Light

ENS Wednesday 11th March 8pm,
Cathedral.

HFS Tuesday 24th March 8pm, Cathedral.

Confirmation

Gaelscoil 27th February 11am Cathedral.

Scoil Chríost Rí Saturday 12th March
11am Cloughleigh.

ENS Saturday 21st March 11am,
Cathedral.

HFS Friday 27th March 11am, Cathedral.

St. Anne's Wednesday 22nd April
11.30am St. Joseph's

Afterschool Programme Sat 25th April
12 noon, Cathedral.

CBS Saturday 9th May 11am,
St. Joseph's.

Holy Communion

Afterschool Programme

Sat 25th April 12 noon Cathedral

ENS Saturday 9th May 11am Cathedral

HFS Saturday 23rd May 11am Cathedral

CBS Saturday 23rd May 11am

St. Joseph's

Scoil Chríost Rí Saturday 23rd May

Gaelscoil Saturday 30th May

12 noon Cathedral

Candlelight Concert at St. Columba's

Candlelight Concert on Saturday 8th

November in St. Columba's
Church, Ennis.

Award winning Limerick

Songbird Eve Stafford presents

a night of Irish music throughout

the ages, movie and musical hits

& opera classics by candlelight

with Fiona Linnane, piano, Anna Jane Ryanm

violin. www.evestafford.ie 085 7055526



Chair Exercise for Seniors

Chair Exercise for Seniors with Trish Cleary.

Every Wednesday 11am-12noon St Joseph's
Meeting Room, Kincora Park.

Also Cloughleigh Community Centre 3pm-4pm

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Domhnach na Misean.

Inniu Domhnach Domhanda na Misean. Ón bhliain 1926 ar aghaidh tá an Eaglais ag comóradh agus ag cuimhneamh ar a misean uilíoch. Is lá ar leith é atá eagraithe ag Craobhscaoileadh an Chreidimh chun deis a thabhairt do Chaitlicigh ar fud an domhain iad féin a ath-thiomnú d'obair mhisinéireachta na hEaglaise trí ghuí agus trí ghníomh. Déantar an ceiliúradh seo ar an lá céanna i ngach paróiste ar fud an domhain.

Nuair a baisteadh sinn tugadh misean dúinn maireachtáil mar dhaoine de chlann an tsolais agus mar thoradh ar sin tá dualgas orainn solas Chríost a chraobhscaoileadh go himill chríocha na cruinne. Ar an lá speisialta seo tugtar deis dúinn athnuachan a dhéanamh ar an misean a thug Dia dúinn agus cabhrú le Misean na hEaglaise lenár n-urnaithe agus ár n-íobairtí chomh maith le hairgead a chur ar fáil dár misinéirí.

Mission Sunday

Today is World Mission Sunday. Since 1926, the Church has remembered its universal mission. It is a special day set aside by Propagation of the Faith so that Catholics worldwide can rededicate themselves to the missionary work of the Church by prayer and action. Every parish in the world celebrates this day on the same date.

When we were baptised we were given the mission to live as members of the family of light and as a result we have an obligation to spread the light of Christ to the whole world. On this special day we get the opportunity to renew our commitment to the mission given to us by God and to assist the mission of the Church by our prayers and sacrifices as well as providing financial help for missionaries.

Marriage Enrichment Weekend

Catholic Marriage Encounter in Ireland

7th-9th November 2025

Focolare Centre, Prosperous, Co. Kildare

To book: www.marriageencounter.ie

Ennis Flower & Garden Club

Ennis Flower and Garden Club present Magda O'Brien Clarenbridge/Blackwater Garden Centre, at Treacy's West County Hotel Ennis on Tuesday October 21st. Doors open 7.30pm and garden talk commences at 8.15pm sharp, €10 non members. All welcome.

plants raffled on the night.

ennisflowerandgardenclub@gmail.com

Dancercise Class

Dancercise Class every Tuesday in Cois na

hAbhna 11am -12noon. Learn the Brush Dance & other dances & keep fit at the same time.

Suit retired or any age group.

Call Mary 0877530225.

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday, 12th October

Fund €6,946
Online €924

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

To you I call; for you will surely heed me,
O God;
turn your ear to me; hear my words.
Guard me as the apple of your eye;
in the shadow of your wings protect me.

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 book of Exodus

Ex: 17; 8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at
Rephidim.
Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for
yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to
engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on
the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.'
Joshua did as Moses told him and marched
out to engage Amalek, while Moses and
Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill.
As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel
had the advantage; when he let his arms fall,
the advantage went to Amalek.
But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a
stone and put it under him and on this he sat,
Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on
one side, one on the other; and his arms
remained firm till sunset.
With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down
Amalek and his people.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

**Our help is in the name of the Lord who
made heaven and earth.**

I lift up my eyes to the mountains;
from where shall come my help?
My help shall come from the Lord
who made heaven and earth. **R.**

May he never allow you to stumble!
Let him sleep not, your guard.
No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,
Israel's guard. **R.**

The Lord is your guard and your shade;
at your right side he stands
By day the sun shall not smite you
nor the moon in the night. **R.**

The Lord will guard you from evil,
he will guard your soul.
The Lord will guard your going and coming
both now and for ever. **R.**

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy **2 Tm 3:14-4:2**

You must keep to what you have been
taught and know to be true; remember who
your teachers were, and how, ever since
you were a child, you have known the holy
scriptures - from these you can learn the
wisdom that leads to salvation through faith
in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and can
profitably be used for teaching, for refuting
error, for guiding people's lives and
teaching them to be holy. This is how the
man who is dedicated to God becomes fully
equipped and ready for any good work.
Before God and before Christ Jesus who is
to be judge of the living and the dead, I put
this duty to you, in the name of his
Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the
message and, welcome or unwelcome,
insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error,
call to obedience - but do all with patience
and with the intention of teaching.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind,
so that we can see what hope his call holds
for us.
Alleluia!*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke **Lk 18: 1-8**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the
need to pray continually and never lose

heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town
he said 'who had neither fear of God nor
respect for man.

In the same town there was a widow who
kept on coming to him and saying, "I want
justice from you against my enemy!" For a
long time he refused, but at last he said to
himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God
nor respect for man, but since she keeps
pestering me I must give this widow her just
rights, or she will persist in coming and worry
me to death." '

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the
unjust judge has to say? Now will not God
see justice done to his chosen who cry to
him day and night even when he delays to
help them? I promise you, he will see justice
done to them, and done speedily.
But when the Son of Man comes, will he find
any faith on earth?'

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

**Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those
who fear him, who hope in his merciful
love, to rescue their souls from death, to
keep them alive in famine.**