



Ennis Parish

Ss Peter & Paul Cathedral, St Joseph's, Chríost Rí Cloughleigh
Abbey Pastoral Area (Ennis, Clarecastle, Doorra-Barefield, Quin)
Franciscan Friary & Poor Clare Monastery



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 18th October, 2026

Mass times

Cathedral

Mon-Fri: 740am, 11am & 7.30pm

Sat: 11am & Vigil 630pm

Sun: 8am, 930am & 1130am

St Joseph's

Mon – Fri: 1030am

Sat: 1030am & Vigil 7pm

Sun: 10am & 1145am

Chríost Rí Cloughleigh

Mon-Fri: 930am

Sun: 11am

Friary

Mon-Sat: 10am

Sat: Vigil 730pm

Sun: 1030am

Poor Clares

Daily: 745am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Cathedral

Mon-Fri: 7-725pm

Sat: after vigil Mass

Friary

Tues, Fri & Sat:

11am-12noon & 4-5pm

World Mission Day 2026 – One in Christ, United in Mission



This year we celebrate the 100th World Mission Day, a celebration begun by Pope Pius XI one hundred years ago. Pope Leo XIV has chosen the beautiful theme: “One in Christ, United in Mission.” He invites us to “renew in ourselves the fire of our missionary vocation.”

One in Christ

Our Christian life begins with Jesus. Being a Christian is not only about following rules, practices or ideas. It is about living in a deep friendship with Christ. Jesus tells us to remain in him like branches joined to the vine. When we are united with Christ, we are also united with one another as brothers and sisters.

Our families and parish communities should therefore be places of unity, forgiveness and peace. We do not preach ourselves or seek our own importance. As Saint Paul reminds us, “We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord” (2 Cor 4:5).

United in Mission

Jesus prayed that his disciples might be one, so that the world might believe. Our unity itself becomes a witness to the Gospel. When people see Christians loving, forgiving and supporting one another, they can experience something of God's love.

Mission belongs to every baptized person. We may not travel to distant countries, but we can be missionaries wherever we are: in our homes, parish, workplaces and communities.

Mission to Love

Pope Leo reminds us that love is at the heart of mission. Saint Francis of Assisi said, “Love is not loved.” Saint Thérèse also desired “to love Jesus and to make him loved.”

On this World Mission Day, may we renew our missionary spirit. Through our prayer, kindness, generosity and care for those in need, may we make Jesus known and loved. May Christ make us one in him, unite us in mission, and send us out to share God's love with everyone.

Parish Office, Station Road, Ennis - 065 6824043; for all bookings and information 9am-5pm Mon-Fri

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Presbyteries; Cathedral 6824043 St Joseph's 6829584 Cloughleigh 6797489 Friary 6828751



Priest on Duty 18th October, 2026

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Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: Anne Manton, Ardlea Rd.
Jimmy Moroney, Golf Links Rd.
Francie McMahon, Morrissey Ave.
Nellie Daly, Clare Rd.
Frank Brennan, Clonroad.
Michael Gammell, Hermitage.
Paddy & Sarah Redican, Station Rd.
Martin O'Connell, Killimmer.

Sun 18th 8am: Pat & Mai Tynan (nee Leyden),
College Rd., Ennis & Mill Rd., Limerick.

9.30am: Maura & Eddie Cotter, Cusack Rd.
Frank Moroney & Moroney Family, Hermitage.
Krystian Kowalik, Chicago.

11.30am: Anthony O'Callaghan, Cahercalla. MM.
Bridget Burke, Park Avenue. MM.
Bernadette Connolly, Woodlawn, Lahinch Rd.
1st Anniv.
James & Bridget Dilleen, Clonroad.
Tony & Mary Carey, Carmody St.
Christopher & Joan Dinan, Waterpark Heights.
Bernard & Martina Browne, 'St. Anthony's',
Circular Rd.
Brid & Billy Walsh, Ballyline, Crusheen.

Mon: 7.40am: Special intention.
11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Daniel Pyne & Family, McNamara Park.
Brigid White, Park Avenue & Summerhill.
Tom & Josie & decd McNamara family, Circular Rd.
Patrick Killeen, Mullagh & Theresa Blake, Mallow.

Tues: 7.40am: Book of Intentions.

11am: Patrick Keane, Garraunakilla, Upper Market St.,
Ennis & Kay Cox, New York.

7.30pm: Enrolment Mass Ennis NS - Communion.

Wed 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Maureen Toop, Shragh, Kilrush & London.

7.30pm: Mary & Billy Keane, Lower Market St.
Maureen & Tom Fitzgerald, Kilmihil.
Kieran Casey, Old Military Barracks.
Paddy & Lena Kearney, Circular Rd.
Cropera Family, Dalcassian Pk & Turnpike Rd.
Pakie & Frances Eustace, Kilrush Rd.

Thurs 7.40am: No intention booked.

11am: Kitty Summerville, Fergus Lawn. MM.

7.30pm: Enrolment Mass Ennis NS - Confirmation

Fri 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: Mary Margaret & Tom Joe Coffey, Tobartaosácin.
Esther Hurson, Summerhill.

7.30pm: Esther & Christy Gilligan, Cloughleigh Rd.
Catherine Courtney, Ard na Gréine & Germany.

Sat: 11am: Michael Kenny, Circular Rd.
Thomas & Margaret Pilkington, St. Michael's Villas.

6.30pm: Kay Hanberry, Roslevan.
Mary Mahony, Parnell St.
Anne Marie O'Regan, Orchard Grove, Gort Rd.
Paul Crowley, Cahercalla Estate.
Paulette Fitzpatrick, Harmony Row.

Sun 25th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Daragh Hennessy, Avondale.

Kathleen Hanrahan & Pappy Gleeson, Dalcassian Pk.

11.30am: Susan Guinnane, Fountain post Office. MM.
Anne Loftus, Buttermarket. 1st Anniv.
Therese O'Brien, Ashfield Park.
Maura White, Connolly Villas & Liverpool.
Francis White, Considine Rd.
Mary & Matt Corbett, Limerick Rd.
Michael Rynne, Cusack Rd.
Jack & Annie Moloney, Hermitage.
Frank Coffey, Considine Rd.

Mission Sunday



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Blessing of New Life & Expectant Parents

Blessing of New Life & Expectant Parents in SS Peter & Paul Church, Clarecastle on Tuesday October 20th at 7pm for the Abbey Pastoral Area. All welcome.



Adult Faith Formation

Invite you to an Autumn Gathering "Let's have an Honest Conversation About Synodality". A dialogue among clergy and laity on how we can journey together as Church. Facilitated by Fr. Eamon Fitzgibbon on Saturday next 24th October from 10am to 1pm in the Parish Centre Station Rd., Ennis.

Lost

Engagement ring lost in Ennis on Friday 9th October. Huge sentimental value. Contact David 086 8664550

Newly Baptised

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



Conor McNamara;

St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Cyril & Margaret Hynes & Hynes & McGann Families, Ennistymon.
Jimmy Shannon, Shannon Park & Laura & Noel Collieran, Quin.

Sun 18th 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: No intention booked.

Mon 10.30am: No intention booked.

Tues 10.30am: Book of Intentions.

Wed 10.30am: No intention booked.

Thu 10.30am: No intention booked.

Fri 10.30am: No intention booked.

Sat: 10.30am: Nuala Keane, Ruan & Kincora Park.
7pm: Pat & Mary McInerney, Corrovorran Green.

Sun 25th 10am: No intention booked.

11.45am: Michael & Anthony Dormer, Rosanore.
Nancy & Tommy Dormer, Gort Rd.
Jimmy Frawley & Lawrence Frawley, Corrovorran & Hermitage.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 18th 11am: Patrick & Christina Coote, Considine's Tce.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Sun 25th 11am: John, Peig & Peter Moloney, Claireen.

Pádraig O'Halloran, Woodlawn, Lahinch Rd.

Eire Óg

On this Sunday we extend our good wishes to Éire Óg as they take on Kilmurray Ibrickane in the County Football Final.



Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €500 & €300. We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal.

Ennis National School Knitting Club would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to everyone who generously donated wool and knitting needles to our school knitting club. Thanks to your kindness, children from 3rd to 6th class can learn a valuable lifelong skill, develop their creativity and enjoy the satisfaction of making something with their own hands. Our free knitting club brings children together and helps keep a wonderful traditional skill alive. Every donation is truly valued and appreciated.

Clare Macra- New members welcome! Are you aged 17-40 and interested in meeting new people, making friends and getting involved in your local community? Clare Macra offers a wide range of social activities, nights out, sports, competitions, training and travel opportunities. You don't need a farming background to join - Macra welcomes young people from all walks of life! There are three clubs in County Clare: Ennis, Sixmilebridge/ Kilmurry and West Clare. Follow @claremacra on Instagram to find out more!

October—Safeguarding Month



Being attentive to the wellbeing and safety of children and young people is an important part of safeguarding. If you have a concern about the safety or welfare of a child or vulnerable person, please ensure that you know who to speak to and how report your concern to our Parish Safeguarding representatives can provide information and guidance on safeguarding procedures.

Cemetery Sunday Sunday 1st November, All Saints' Day



Columbarium Cathedral after 11.30am Mass
Corrovorin Cemetery 2pm
Drumcliffe Cemetery 3pm

Mass for all who have died in the past year on Monday 2nd November; All Souls' Day at 7.30pm in the Cathedral.

November Masses for the Holy Souls

During the month of November mass will be offered each day for all on our November dead list of the parish. Envelopes containing the lists are now available in the porches of our churches. Completed lists should be returned by November 2nd All Souls' Day.

Cathedral Works Update

We are delighted to report that our new heating system is now operative. Allowing for some initial teething problems in the early days, we look forward to a warm and comfortable Cathedral this winter.

The paving in front of the Cathedral will begin this week as the drainage works are near completion.

The final phase of the works will be the resurfacing of the whole grounds. The estimated completion date will be the early days of December.

We apologise for the inconvenience the works are causing but we look forward to a beautiful and welcoming Cathedral in the heart of our town.

Our thanks to all who are contributing to the appeal to help pay for the works. All contributions are very much appreciated. Our Cathedral has served the people of Ennis and our Diocese for the past 184 years and will continue to do so for many years to come.

There will be four entrances to the Cathedral open each day:

- ◆ Grotto Door;
- ◆ Columbarium Door;
- ◆ Both Side Doors.
- ◆ Funerals will enter and exit by the Columbarium Door.
- ◆ We ask for your understanding and patience as the work progresses.
- ◆ Please park responsibly at all times and do not block entrances.
- ◆ The Parish Office is open and entrance is from Station Road.
- ◆ Our thanks to all who are contributing to the Renovation Appeal that make this work possible.



Prayer for the Healing of Nations

Lord Jesus, we beseech You to unite the people of the earth in Your love.

Break down walls of division, prejudice, and misunderstanding.

Inspire nations to act with fairness, generosity, and integrity.
May Your Spirit teach us to see one another as brothers and sisters, valuing each life as precious.

Guide diplomats, leaders, and citizens to embrace dialogue and seek solutions rooted in justice and mercy

Teach us to forgive, reconcile, and serve one another with humility.

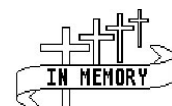
Sacrament Dates 2027

Celebration of the Sacraments is at the core of our parish life. Details of Sacraments to be celebrated for each school in the parish are as follows:



First Communion			
Afterschool Programme	The Cathedral	1st May	12 noon
Ennis NS	The Cathedral	8th May	11am
CBS	St. Joseph's	8th May	11am
Gaelscoil Mhicil Cíosóg	The Cathedral	15th May	12noon
St. Clare's School	St. Joseph's	21st May	12noon
Holy Family NS	The Cathedral	22nd May	11am
St. Anne's School	St. Joseph's	28th May	11am
Scoil Chríost Rí	Cloughleigh Oratory	29th May	11am
Confirmation			
Gaelscoil Mhicil Cíosóg	The Cathedral	5th February	12noon;
Scoil Chríost Rí	Cloughleigh Oratory	12th March	11am
Ennis NS	The Cathedral	9th April	11am
CBS	St. Joseph's	10th April	3pm
Holy Family NS	The Cathedral	16th April	11am
Afterschool Programme	The Cathedral	1st May	12noon;
St. Anne's School	St. Joseph's	6th May	11.30am
St. Clare's School	St. Joseph's	12th May	12noon

REST IN PEACE



Arthur Boland, Clonroad.

Carmel Hanrahan, Shanacloon, Shanballa, Lahinch Road, Ennis and formerly of Gallows Hill, Ennis, and Boston, USA.

Tom Casey, Hermitage, Ennis, & formerly of Nooan, Ruan;

Ger Morrissey, St. Flannan's Tce;

Derry Nalty née Igoe, Corrovorin, and Lifford;

Bridget McDonagh, formerly of Ennis, who died in England.

Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday, 18th October 2026

Fund €6,462.00
Online €1,152.00

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 prophet Isaiah.

Is 45:1.4-6

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus,
whom he has taken by his right hand to
subdue nations before him
and strip the loins of kings,
to force gateways before him
that their gates be closed no more:

It is for the sake of my servant Jacob,
of Israel my chosen one,
that I have called you by your name,
conferring a title though you do not know
me.
I am the Lord, unrivalled;
there is no other God besides me.
Though you do not know me, I arm you
that men may know from the rising to the
setting of the sun
that, apart from me, all is nothing.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R: Give the Lord glory and power.

O sing a new song to the Lord,
Sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory
And his wonders among all the peoples.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,
To be feared above all gods;
The gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples,
Give the Lord glory and power,
Give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians. 1Th 1:1-5

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the
Church in Thessalonika which is in God
the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ;
wishing you grace and peace from God the
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and
thank God for you all, and constantly
remember before God our Father how you
have shown your faith in action, worked for
love and persevered through hope, in our
Lord Jesus Christ

We know, brothers, that God loves you
and that you have been chosen, because
when we brought the Good News to you, it
came to you not only as words, but as
power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter
conviction.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*You will shine in the world like bright stars
Because you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!*

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew. Mt 22:15-21

The Pharisees went away to work out
between them how to trap Jesus in what
he said. And they sent their disciples to

him, together with the Herodians, to say,
'Master, we know that you are an honest
man and teach the way of God in an hon-
est way, and that you are not afraid of any-
one, because a man's rank means nothing
to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it per-
missible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But
Jesus was aware of their malice and re-
plied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this
trap for me? Let me see the money you
pay the tax with.' They handed him a de-
narius, and he said, 'Whose head is this?
Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He
then said to them, 'Very well, give back to
Caesar what belongs to Caesar - and to
God what belongs to God.'

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 suf-
fered 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 spo-
ken 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

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.