



Ennis Parish News

Mass Times

Sundays:

Cathedral:- Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
 St. Joseph's:- Sat. Vigil: 7pm; Sunday: 10am, 11.45am
 Cloughleigh Church:- 8.00am, 11am
 Friary:- Sat. Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday: 10.30am, 12.00 noon
 Poor Clare Monastery:- 7.45 a.m.

Weekdays:

Cathedral: Mon. – Fri: 7.40am; 11am & 7.30pm; 11am on Saturday
 St. Joseph's:- Monday – Saturday: 10.30am
 Cloughleigh Church:- Monday – Friday: 9.30am
 Friary:- Daily: 10am & 1.05pm; 10am on Saturday
 Poor Clare Monastery:- Daily at 7.45 am; Daily Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament from 4-6pm in the Chapel.

Phone Numbers:

Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: info@ennisparish.com
 St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6797489; Friary: 6828751

Ennis Parish Web Site: <http://www.ennisparish.com>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/ennis.parish>

Confessions in Cathedral Saturday After 11am Mass & after 6.30pm Mass
 St Joseph's Saturday After 10.30am Mass
 Parish Office open Mon to Fri 9.30-1pm & 2-5pm Sat 10.30-12noon

Pentecost Sunday (Year A) 31st May, 2020

Pentecost: The Coming of the Spirit

Today's celebration of Pentecost is a beautiful feast, often misunderstood because of poor readings of Scripture that get caught up in the miraculous signs of mighty winds and tongues of fire and thus fail to take into account what Luke is trying to tell us. I wish to very briefly just point out some things that we should be aware of.

The first thing we need to notice is that the coming of the Spirit actualises, or makes real, the fulfilment of the Scriptures, or the fulfilment of God's promises. If you go backwards and read Acts of the Apostles 1:1-5, and if you go back even further into the Old Testament and read Isaiah 32:15 and Joel 2:28-32 we read promises that God will send the Holy Spirit. Therefore, the coming of the Holy Spirit reminds us that God will fulfil his promises, even if it takes time!!

Secondly, the wind and flame are to be read very carefully, because the text says, a noise *like* rushing wind, and what seemed *like* tongues of flame. Wind in the Old Testament represented the creative breath of God and fire was also associated with the purifying presence of God. Therefore, the wind and the fire tell

us that God is about to do something 'new' or even create something new. In the same way, an experience of God, should change what is old and stale within us to something new.

Lastly, we should be aware of why God sends the Holy Spirit. The answer should not be too pious because it

then loses the impact. God sent the Holy Spirit because the disciples and the early Church needed it. They may not have wanted the Spirit, but they needed it. God's action arose out of the need of the disciples and the others whom we are told by the narrator of the story are afraid of the Jews. They fear for their lives! So, in answer to their prayer, God sends the Holy Spirit, which emboldens them to fulfil

their role in the building up of God's Kingdom.

So, Pentecost should remind us that God will fulfil his promises, even if it takes time, his presence is powerful and re-creates the old into something new and he responds to our needs, not to our wants!! So, let us all pray, *Veni Sancte Spiritus*, Come Holy Spirit.



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: John & Mary Roughan, Shannon Pk.
Shay Moloney, Ard Aoibhinn, Hazlewood.
Ann White, College Grove. **1st Anniv**
Elizabeth Cahill, Cahercalla Estate.

Sun 31st: 9.30am: Owen & Eileen Griffin, Buttermarket St.
11.30am: Jack Kenneally, Ennis.
Maureen Sheedy, Shanaway Rd.
Bridie Mitchell, Kilbane & Castletroy.

Mon: 8.30am: No Mass Bank Holiday.

11am: No Intention Booked.

7.30pm: Johnny Flynn, Turnpike Rd. **1st Anniv**

Tues: 8.30am Book of Intentions.

11am: No Intention Booked.

7.30pm: No Intention Booked.

Wed: 8.30am: Holy Souls.

11am: Mgt & Tom Crowe, Lahinch.

7.30pm: Margaret & Paddy Quinn, Limerick Rd.

Alice & Patrick Dinan & Tamara Shannon, Hermitage.

Thurs: 8.30am: Mick & Ellen O'Rourke, Newmarket on Fergus.

11am: No Intention Booked.

7.30pm: Patrick Devine, Coopers Place. **1st Anniv**
Mary Ellen, Joe, Tommy & Paul Hickey, Inch.

Fri: 8.30am Mass for the People.

11am: Tom & Maureen Fitzgerald, Kilmihil.

7.30pm: Michael O'Doherty, Childer's Rd. **MM**

Sat: 11am: No Intention Booked.

6.30pm: James Griffin, Lees Rd.

Sun 7th: 9.30am: Mary & Paddy Broderick, Loughville.
Gerard & Mary Davoren, Kilcorney, Kilfenora.

11.30am: Frank White, Clare Rd.

Michael McGrath, Corrovvorrin Grove.

Matt O'Brien, Tuamgraney.

John & Michel Shannon, Loughville.

Michael & Rose Meehan, Fergus Pk.

Rose O'Reilly, Avondale.



Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 31st 11am: Jack, Molly & dec'd Burke family,
Dunsallagh.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Sun 7th 11am: Paddy & Bunny Tuohy, Old Mill St.,
Hermitage.

Cathedral Renovation & Painting Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of: €50 & €30 We thank the many people who have made once off contributions to this appeal. *All contributions for this work are very much appreciated.*

Trócaire Boxes.

A national appeal for the return of Trócaire boxes and contributions takes place this weekend. Trócaire boxes and contributions can be returned to:

- Cathedral – box at the back of the Cathedral or Cathedral House.
- By post to Trócaire Maynooth, Co. Kildare

Trócaire wish to thank all who supported their Lenten appeal this year in the most difficult of circumstances. The contents of each and every Trócaire box, no matter how small, come together to make a significant difference. This virus knows no borders, but neither does our compassion.

Hospital & Sick Calls

31st May, 2020

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Ger Fitzgerald

Please call: 065 6869098

Bank Holiday Monday

Please note that there will be no 8.30am morning prayer and Mass on Monday.

A Novena of Prayer for the Intercession of Matt Talbot

Prayers for all suffering, sharing, recovering from addictions will take place in the Cathedral at all Masses this week. On Sunday next 7th June the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity, Matt Talbot died 95 years ago to the day and on the feast on his way to morning Mass in Dublin. Now on the road to canonisation he is regarded as the saint of addicts or those whose lives are affected by addiction.

Priests Summer Collection

The summer collection for the priests of the parish is scheduled for next weekend. Unfortunately it has not been possible to hold any collections so far this year due to the pandemic. The Bishops and Priests are very grateful to parishioners who have sent in offerings to support the Priests. A collection box is available at the back of the Cathedral for those who wish to contribute. Contributions can also be left in Cathedral house or if you wish to make an online donation. Please use the donate button on the parish website. This is a very secure and safe way to contribute.

First Friday of June

For the third month in succession it will not be possible for the priests of the parish to visit the sick and housebound parishioners on Friday next 5th June. Be assured that our sick are prayed for each day.

St. Anthony's Triduum

Join us on our Cathedral webcam or parish radio on (106.4fm) on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday June 10th, 11th, 12th at the 11am Mass for a Triduum of Prayers as we prepare for the feast of St. Anthony on Saturday 13th June. Fr. Adrian OFM from the Friary will lead the Triduum and celebrate the feast of St. Anthony.



St. Joseph's

Mass intentions for scheduled Masses in St. Joseph's Church should be booked through the Parish Office. For all other events call Fr John 0656822166.

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: John, Bridie & dec'd Mulcaire, St. Senan's Rd.

Sun 31st 10am: Seamus O'Sullivan, Rosanore.

11.45: Chrissie & Seán O'Connell, The Crescent.

Fri 7pm: Teresa Fitzgibbon, Tulla Rd.

Sat 10.30am: Joseph Coughlan, Kincora Pk.

7pm: Teresa & Jimmy Madigan, Marian Ave.

Sun 7th 10am: Sheila O'Sullivan, New Rd.

11.45am: Niall White, Lifford Rd.

Mark Farren, Corrovvorrin Grove.

St Joseph's Church Upcoming Church Closure Dates. In order to facilitate critical staff training, the church will be closed to the public all day on the following dates: Wednesday June 3rd Tuesday June 9th, Thursday Jun 18th, Sorry for the inconvenience.

MATT TALBOT PRAYER

All: Lord, in your servant, Matt Talbot,
You have given us a wonderful example
of triumph over addiction,
of devotion to duty
and of lifelong reference
for the Most Holy Sacrament.
May his life of prayer
and penance give us courage
to take up our Crosses
and follow in the footsteps
of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Father, if it be your will
that your beloved servant
should be glorified by your Church,
make known by your heavenly favours
the power he enjoys in our sight.
We make this through
the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Cathedral Daily Programme

Sunday: 9.30am: Mass & Rosary
11.30am: Mass & Rosary

Monday: 11am: Mass & Rosary;
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary;
8pm - 9pm: Holy Hour.

Tuesday: 8.30am: Morning Prayer & Mass
11am: Mass & Rosary;
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary.

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11am: Mass & Rosary;
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary.

Friday: 8.30am: Morning Prayer & Mass
11am: Mass & Rosary;
7.30pm: Mass & Rosary.

Saturday: 11am: Mass & Rosary;
6.30pm Vigil Mass & Rosary;

Our Churches are now Open

People are now very welcome to visit the Cathedral, Friary or St. Joseph's Church for private prayer or a time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament .

Cathedral 9.00am—10.45am & 12noon—7pm weekdays

Friary 8.30am—7pm weekdays

St. Joseph's Church 2pm-4pm weekdays

The churches are obliged to close when Mass or Funerals are being celebrated until at least 20th July .

We ask people to respect social distancing and to sit only in the designated seats.

Hour of Prayer

On Monday night from 8pm to 9pm in the Cathedral we will stream live and broadcast from behind closed doors a conducted hour of prayer. We invite you from your home to join us during this hour of prayer.

All ceremonies take place behind closed doors at the present time but can be viewed on the parish webcam www.ennisparish.com/webcam and on our radio link (106.4fm) Arrangements will be made for Funerals. During the present closure the Parish Office will be staffed behind closed doors each Wednesday from 9.30am—1pm & 2.30-3.30pm to deal with queries or to arrange Masses. If you need the service of the Parish Office please ring 065 6824043 during these hours. The email for the office is: info@ennisparish.com A priest will remain on duty and can be contacted on 065 6869098.

We thank parishioners and benefactors who have left offerings into the Cathedral, the Friars and Poor Clare Sisters at this time.

Mass Offerings and Cards from the Friary

If you would like to make Mass offerings or request cards from the Friary while the present emergency lasts, please use one of the following: Please include your phone number and contact number with all options. By post to: Franciscan Friary, Francis Street, Ennis V95A4N2

Or you can e-mail it to Guardian.Ennis@franciscans.ie

You can also phone 087-4697971 during office hours - 9.30a.m. to 12.30p.m. - and outside of office hours, leave your name and number and we will get back to you.

Parish Sunday Envelopes Website Donate Button

A number of Parishioners have been giving their weekly contribution directly into the Parish Bank Account over the past few weeks and we thank all those who have contributed in anyway during this time. If other Parishioners would like to pay their weekly contribution in this way the Parish Bank Account Details are as follows:

Bank of Ireland, Bank Place, Ennis.

Ennis Parish Development Fund Account.

IBAN: IE87 BOFI 9042 1030 1780 10

BIC: BOFIE2D

If you choose to contribute into the Parish Account ensure that you put your envelope number or name as a reference so that we can keep track of contributions for those parishioners who are taking part in the Charitable Donation Tax Relief Scheme.

In response to requests for the opportunity to make online donations to the parish, we have now installed a **Donate Button on the Parish Website Home Page**, which is a secure and safe way to contribute to parish for those who prefer this option.

<https://donate.ennisparish.com/>

Go raibh mile maith agat.

Rest in Peace

Declan Blake, Almonte Canada and formerly of 26 Limerick Road Ennis;
Margaret Murray (née Keane), Gordon Drive, Cloughleigh;
Michael Considine, Pine Grove & Spanish Point;



*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.*

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Domhnach Cincise.

Inniu Domhnach Cincise. Ag an Suipeár Deireanach, gheall Íosa do na hAspail go gcuirfeadh sé chucu an Comhairleoir, an té a chuirfeadh i gcuimhne dóibh gach rud a bhí sé féin ag iarraidh a mhúineadh dóibh. Tar éis bhás Íosa, theastaigh sólas agus misneach go géar ó na haspail. Ní shiúlfaidís thart go hoscailte in Iarúsailéim ar fhaitíos go gcuirfí chun báis iad.

Ba mhór an t-athrú a tháinig orthu Domhnach Cincise tar éis teacht an Spioraid Naoimh. Chuaigh siad amach ar na sráideanna ag labhairt go poiblí faoi Íosa Críost a cuireadh chun báis agus a d'aiséirigh ó mhairbh. Ba bheag eagla a bhí orthu dul ar fud Iosrael, go tíortha eile sa Mheán Oirthear agus fiú go cathair na Róimhe féin ag fógairt dea-scéil Íosa. Sa lá atá inniu ann, teastaíonn misneach uainne, Críostaithe, le dul ar aghaidh go muiníneach ag fógairt an dea-scéil. B'fhéidir go dtagann laghmhisneach orainn uaireanta nuair a fheictear dúinn go bhfuil an t-olc ag fáil an lámh in uachtar sa saol. Sin é an fáth go dteastaíonn uainn de shíor cúnaimh an Spioraid Naoimh. Tagann sé chuig gach duine againn sa Bhaisteadh agus sa Chóineartú. Fanann sé linn i gcónaí agus bronnann sé orainn a bhronntanais, más mian linn glacadh leo. Treoróidh sé ar bhealach na Saoirse agus na Frinne sinn. *Guímid ar son na mbuanna a thugann an Spiorad Naomh dúinn: grá, lúcháir, síocháin, foighne, cineáltas, dea-chroí, dílseacht, láocht agus measarthacht. Tar chugainn, a Naoimh Spioraid le do ghrá. Áiméan*

Today is Pentecost Sunday. At the Last Supper Jesus promised His Apostles that he would send them a Paraclete who would teach them the truth. After the death of Jesus, the apostles were in need of comfort and courage. They would not walk in Jerusalem in fear for their lives. All this changed on Pentecost Sunday after the descent of the Holy Spirit.

They went out into the streets preaching the Resurrection of Jesus. They were not afraid to preach the Good News in Israel, in the Middle East and even in Rome. We Christians need courage to preach the Good News. We can be discouraged when it seems that sin and evil are getting the upper hand in the world. We need the help of the Holy Spirit at all times which we receive in Baptism and in Confirmation. He remains with us and bestows his gifts on us if we accept them. He will guide us in the ways of freedom and truth. *Let us pray for the gifts of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Come Holy Spirit with your love. Amen*

Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 24th May 2020 € 2,985.00

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, 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 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. "Surely" they said "all these speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and

Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome - Jews and proselytes alike - Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God."

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

*Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
And renew the face of the earth.*

Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are,
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. R

You take back your spirit, they die,
Returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
And you renew the face of the earth. R

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. R

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

1 Cor 12:3-7.12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful,

And kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jn 20:19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the

doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you'.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

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

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia