

ENNIS PARISH NEWSLETTER

Mass Times

Cathedral-www.ennisparish.com/webcam

Radio link:106.4fm

Monday to Friday 7.40am, 11am & 7.30pm

Saturday 11am & Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday 8am, 9.30am & 11.30am

St. Joseph's-www.ennisparish.com/our-parish/st-josephs-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

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th August 2024 Year B

**‘I am the bread of life.
The one who comes to me will
never be hungry;
The one who believes in me will
never thirst’.**

Walking into a Bakery with the scent of the breads and confectionary on display is one of life's pleasures. The selection of breads is a reflection of the privileged time we live in. Gone are the days that for most families a loaf of bread was a home produced product. That has changed for so many households as we now can head to the shop and decide what bread we would like today. Yes, choice is everywhere.

Our readings today offer us choices. Elisha in the Book of Kings makes a choice to share bread with the one hundred people gathered before him. St. Paul in the Letter to the Ephesians calls out for unity and to share whatever resources at our disposal. Psalm 144 has the words ‘You gave them their food in due time’. And our Gospel leads us to the core of the message this weekend. The Good News does not remain at the level of a pleasant scent of feeling good but a call to go deeper and share the resources common to all humanity. Uncomfortable as it reads but today's readings can be summed up in one word – compassion.

Elisha felt compassion for the hungry and fed them bread. St. Paul called on the Ephesians to unite in their effort to share with each other and Psalm 144 sings for joy because the hungry were fed. Our Gospel guides us to a realisation that the true motivation underpinning compassion is that Jesus Christ is our foundation upon which all our actions stem from. As we celebrate Eucharist this weekend, gathered like the people in Elisha's time, united as St. Paul asked the Ephesians to live, we sing out the words of the Psalm thanking God for what we have and sharing the Word as Jesus is:

The Bread of Life.



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Oliver Moylan, Golf Links Rd.
Catherine McMahon, Ballybeg.
Nial McCullagh, Dalcassin Drive.
Sun 4th 8am: Bridie Geoff Molyneaux,
Inagh & Manchester.
9.30am: Kitty Guy, Circular Rd.
Costelloe & O'Donoghue families, Ennis & Cork.
James O'Leary, College Grove.
11.30am: Peggy Naughton, Dalcassian Drive &
Kevin Byrne, Galway.
Rita Ryan, Summerhill.
Patrick O'Loughlan, Drumcarranmore;
Paddy, MaryKate & Aishling O'Loughlan, Kilshanny.
Mary Hickey, Cahercalla Estate.
Jim Howard, Shannon Pk.
Mon: 7.40am: Bank Holiday- No Mass
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Mary & Joe Hehir, Hermitage.
Matt Talbot Prayer Society.
Tues: 7.40am Book of Intentions.
Special Intention.
Johnny Flynn, Connolly Villas.
11am: Michael Moroney, Dalcassian Park. **MM**
Special Intention.
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7.30pm: John Minter, Clonroadmore.
Maria & Margaret Marshall, Hermitage.
Wed 7.40am: Slattery family, Knockadoon, Tulla.
11am: Stan & Geraldine Moroney, St. Michael's Villas.
7.30pm: Michael Slattery, St. Michael's Villas.
Andrew Crowley, Waterford.
Thurs 7.40am: Mass for the People.
11am: Special Intention.
Baby Angel Molloy, Ballaghboy. **MM**
7.30pm: John & Maureen Puddy, England.
Bishop Michael Harty (30th Anniversary)
Fri 7.40am: Eileen Keane, St. Anne's Terrace.
11am: No intention booked.
7.30pm: Robert Curran, New Jersey. **1st Anniv**
Brendan Mulkere, Drumsalagh, Crusheen.
Sat: 11am: Mary McNamara, Derryfadda, Clonlara.
Lil & Jack Davoren.
Angela, Pat, John & Sarah Kelly, Kildysart.
Maureen & Pat Wallace & Greane Family.
6.30pm: Mary & Dermot O'Donoghue, Kilfenora.
Sun 11th 8am: Paul Cahill, Inisfree, Roslevan.
9.30am: Brendan Wall, Inchbeg.
11.30am: Michael McLoughlin, Mayo ;
Gerry Leyden, Steele's Terrace.
James Guilfoyle, Woodlands, Cahercalla. **1st Anniv**
Seán & Frances Brodie, Killeen, Corofin & Ennis.
Evelyn Sheehan, Knockalough & Dooradoyle.

**Bank Holiday Monday
Masses on the day:**

8.30am: Poor Clare Monastery
10am: Friary
11am: Cathedral
7.30pm: Cathedral
Masses not taking place:
7.40am: Cathedral
9.30am: Cloughleigh
10.30am: St. Joseph's

Matt Talbot Prayer Society
The monthly Mass
praying for all suffering
and sharing in the life
of addiction will take
place on Monday at
7.30pm in the Cathedral.



Bishop Michael Harty
Thursday next 8th
August will be the
30th anniversary of
the death of the late
Bishop Harty. Mass
will be offered for
him at 7.30pm in the
Cathedral on Thursday.
Bishop Harty served as Bishop of
Killaloe from 1967 until his sudden
death on the 8th of August 1994.
He is buried in the grounds of the
Cathedral.

Newly Baptised
*We welcome into the
Christian Community
through the Sacrament of
Baptism:*
Jack Finn Murray.

St. Anthony's Magazine
The latest edition of the St.
Anthony's Magazine is now
available for sale at €2 from both
the Friary and Cathedral. Promoting
devotion to St. Anthony while at the
same time supporting the
missionary work of the Franciscans.

Youth 2000 Summer Festival
Young people between ages 16
and 35 are invited to this Festival of
Faith in Clongowes Wood College,
Co. Kildare from 15th to 18th
August. More information on:
www.youth2000.ie

Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for: Sunday 28th July
2024
Fund **€5,492.00**
Online **€539**

St. Joseph's



Remembered in Masses this Week:

7pm: No intention booked.
Sun 4th 10am: Vincent Greene, Bedfordshire,
England & Corrovorrin Ave &
Paddy Greene, Corrovorrin Ave.
Kathleen O'Malley, Cloverhill.
11.45am: Betty Mounsey, Marian Ave.
Mon 10.30am: Bank Holiday—No Mass
Tues 10.30am: Book of intentions.
Wed 10.30am: No intention booked.
Thu 10.30am: Michael & Muriel McMahon.
Mary O'Dwyer, Kilmurray McMahon. **1st Anniv**
Mary Nugent, St Senan's Road.
Fri 10.30am: Tom Kearney, Gordon Drive.
Brendan Mulkearne, Drunsalagh, Crusheen.
Sat: 10.30am: Maura Finn, Oak Park.
7pm: Brendan Ryan, Kincora Park.
Sun 11th 10am: Paraic Barrett, Elm Park.
Patrick Carmody, Kincora Park.
11.45am: Eileen Downes, Steele's Terrace.

It is that time of year where we appeal for volunteers
for St Joseph's Church - readers, eucharistic ministers
and cleaners. Training will be given in the necessary
areas. We need your help and would be very grateful if
you would consider joining the rotas. Contact Fr David
or leave your contact details at the parish office.
Thanks to everyone who gives their gift of time to the
church so generously.

Rest in Peace

Evelyn Brigdale, Claureen, Drumcliffe Rd.
Bridie Cassidy, Turnpike Rd.
Gus O'Leary, The Crescent.
Constance Brophy, Vicars Town, Co. Laois, sister of
Michelle Madden, Corrovorrin.
Margaret (Rita) Shine, 55 Abbey Court, Limerick
Road, Ennis and formerly of Moy, Lahinch.



Lough Derg



Our Parish & Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lough
Derg leaves this Monday Morning at 7am
from the Cathedral. Bishop Fintan will lead
the Pilgrimage and we unite in prayer with all
pilgrims taking part in the very ancient
penitential exercise. The Pilgrims will return
home on Wednesday.

Jenny McElhinney, Shanaway Road
Month's Mind Mass at St Flannan's Chapel,
Saturday August 10th, 6pm

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Mon: 9.30am: Bank Holiday- No Mass
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Michael & Moira Madigan, Lahinch Rd.
Sr Stephanie Murphy, Shallee Drive, Cloughleigh.
Wed 9.30am: Morgan & Mary Finucane & family,
Moy, Lahinch.

The Episcopal Ordination of Archbishop Seamus Horgan

The Parish of Ennis was very much united on Saturday 27th July with Pope Francis as some of his closest advisors came to the Cathedral for the Episcopal Ordination of one of our own native Sons. Three Cardinals, five Apostolic Nuncios, Bishops and Priests from both here in Ireland and all around the world gathered in the Cathedral at 11am when both the local and universal Church prayed together.

It was a day of joy for all the faithful, lay and clerical who took part in the Ordination Ceremony.

To our wonderful Cathedral Choir, Organists, Musicians and invited guests our thanks for enriching the liturgy with beautiful sacred music; To our Altar Servers, Sacristans, the many people in the preceding days who worked in making our Cathedral both beautiful and welcoming, thank you; To those who looked after parking and the grounds, our photographers who capture the moment and whose work will tell the story for future generations, thank you; The hospitality of the Parish was provided by so many who helped with catering both in the Cathedral House and Parish Centre; your work, time and effort is very much appreciated.

Towards the end of the Ordination, the great hymn of praise the "Te Deum" was sung, adding to the sense of joy felt by all on this special day in the life of our Parish.

Archbishop Seamus will leave Ennis for his first mission as Papal Nuncio to South Sudan later in the month. He does so knowing that his native parish is his powerhouse of prayer and support for bringing the Words of the Gospel to the ends of the Earth.



Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An tAifreann

Is cuid lárnach inár gcreidimh agus inár saol an tAifreann. Tá sé de dhualgas orainn freastal ar an Aifreann gach Domhnach.

Ag Séire an Tiarna an oíche sula bhfuair Sé bás, thug Íosa a Chorp Féin do na deisceabail agus dúinne ag rá 'tógáigí, ithigí agus ólaigí iad seo, Mo Chorp agus m'Fhuil'. (Matha 26:28). Ba é seo an chéad Aifreann. Ó shin i leith tá sé de phribhléid againn freastal ar an Aifreann agus Comaoin Naofa a ghlacadh. Léirigh muintir na hÉireann ómós agus grá don Aifreann i gcónaí fiú le linn na bPéin Dlíthe (1695-1746) nuair a bhí cosc ar dhaoine freastal ar an Aifreann. Thaistil siad go háiteanna iargúlta anseo is ansiúd chun freastal ar an Aifreann cé gur minic a bhí siad i mbaol. Mar fhianaise ar sin is mó Carraig an Aifrinn atá le feiceáil ar fud na tíre. D'fhág Íosa an tAifreann againn lena chuimhne a choimeád beo agus buan dúinn.

Is maith liom an phaidir ghearr seo:

*A Shacraimint rónaofa,
a Shacraimint ródhiaga,
gach moladh agus buíochas
go raibh agat choíche.
Áiméan.*

The Mass is central in our faith and in our lives. We are obliged to attend Mass each Sunday. At the Last Supper on the night before He died Jesus gave Himself to the Apostles and to us when He said "take this eat and drink, this is my body, this is my blood." This was the first Mass. We have the privilege of receiving Holy Communion each time we attend Mass. Our ancestors had great respect for and love of the Mass. During the Penal Laws (1695-1746) when they were forbidden to attend Mass they travelled to lonely place and put their lives in danger to attend Mass. We have evidence of this as there are Mass Rocks in many places in Ireland. Jesus left us the Mass in remembrance of Him. I like this short prayer:

*A Shacraimint rónaofa,
a Shacraimint ródhiaga,
gach moladh agus buíochas
go raibh agat choíche.
Áiméan.*

A blast from the Past

A look back to the Parish Newsletter 25 years ago, this reminds us:

- ◆ Fr John Molloy was the Priest on Duty.
- ◆ The Parish Collection came to £3,864 (Punts).
- ◆ The Tidy Towns countdown to Judging was on.
- ◆ The Parish Pilgrimage to Lough Derg took place.
- ◆ Clare Youth Service had an evening of "unusual entertainment".
- ◆ The Compassionate Friends held a meeting in Clarecare.
- ◆ Choir members had a special rehearsal in preparation for the Knock Novena.
- ◆ The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine was led by Bishop Walsh.
- ◆ Cloughleigh Celtic Annual Sports Day was announced for 22nd August.
- ◆ Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Co-ordinators held their monthly meeting.
- ◆ Secular Franciscan Order held monthly meetings in the Friary.
- ◆ Uniforms and tracksuits appeal from Clarecare.
- ◆ Book of Poetry launched by John Monaghan in Cloughleigh.

Volunteer Ministries in the Killaloe Diocese

Have you ever thought of enriching your faith or of equipping yourself to be able to give something to your parish or pastoral area? The Diocese of Killaloe is hoping to build on the success of our initial lay ministry training programme by offering training to those who feel called to give time as Catechist and as Ministers of Pastoral Care. It is hoped to begin journeying with those interested in the Autumn. These ministries will be of interest to those already involved in their parish or pastoral area or those wishing to be more involved in the life of their local Church community. This programme involves lay people working side by side with priests in key ministries in our parishes and pastoral areas.

Brochures are available in your parish or on the Diocesan Webpage. Further information and application forms can be found at <https://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/our-diocese/lay-ministries/>

Friary News

The Monthly Mass for the SFO will take place on Wednesday 7th August 2024 at 10am. We will pray the office after Mass.

There will be an Evening Meeting in the Friary Parlour at 7.30pm for those who are unable to attend in the morning. You will all be most welcome

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

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 16:2-4.12-15

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our hearts content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.' 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your hearts content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God.'" And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the people of Israel said to one another, 'What

is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

The lord gave them bread from heaven.

The things we have heard and understood,
the things our fathers have told us,
we will tell to the next generation:
the glories of the Lord and his might. **R.**

He commanded the clouds above
and opened the gates of heaven.
He rained down manna for their food,
and gave them bread from heaven. **R.**

Mere men ate the bread of angels.
He sent them abundance of food.
He brought them to his holy land,
to the mountain which his right hand had
won. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians. **Eph 4:17.20-24**

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord: No one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. **Jn 6:24-35**

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the

Son of Man is offering you, for in him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'

Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who come to me will never be hungry; He who believe in me will never thirst.'

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

**I am the bread of life, says the Lord;
Whoever comes to me will not hunger
And whoever believes in me will not
thirst.**