

ENNIS PARISH

NEWSLETTER



SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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Luke 9:11-17

22nd June 2025

The body of Christ - you could think about it and pray about it for a long time. I wonder if his neighbours in Nazareth would recognise Him from our holy pictures and statues? I doubt it. You know what I mean; - Jesus with salon waved hair and neat trimmed beard the Persil white tunic and the spotless red cloak, His own mother would not know Him. but He was truly human; He truly had a body like ours, - the body of a carpenter with shoulders strong enough to carry the cross of our sins, with hands hard and calloused from the tools that shaped and smoothed the yokes that were easy and made burdens light. That body hid and yet revealed the glory of God. Those hard hands of His gently raised Jairus daughter from the dead, those same hand generously blessed and shared the loaves and the fish with thousands on the hillside; those hands held and swung the whip that drove the dealers from the temple the dealers who made the house of prayer into a marketplace.

That body bloodied and broken redeemed us on Calvary. His voice called out to the Father to forgive us. His arms spread wide on the crossbeam to embrace the whole world in His love.

The feast is now called the "Feast of the most precious body and blood of the Lord" It makes

us think not of the historic Jesus of Nazareth but the sacramental Christ in the Eucharist. Just as the presence of Christ was hidden in the ordinary carpenter from Galilee so now it is hidden in the bread and wine of our food. His word changed water into wine in Cana; His word changes bread and wine into His sacrificed and risen presence, here he fulfils His promise to be with us forever, -as food for our journey home to the Father and as a prisoner of His love for us in the tabernacle.

There is another Body of Christ – the Mystical body that's us the church. Ours are His hands held out to welcome; to lift up, to share. Our voice is His to speak encouragement, forgiveness and peace, to spread God's word of care and love.

In us and through us Christ lives and loves. In us also He suffers and dies. As the glory of God shone through the ordinary humanity of Jesus at the transfiguration, so may God's goodness shine through the ordinary humanity of ours as we live our daily lives.



**Feast of
Corpus Christi**

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/ennisparish>



Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 6.30pm: Thomas Cosgrove, Ard na Gréine.
 Mary Brooks, Cloughleigh.
 Carmel Dinan, McNamara Park.
 Margaret (Peg) Geraghty, Kincora Park.
 James Lynch, 'Hillcrest', Limerick Rd.

Sun 22nd 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: Mary Keane, Kilrush Rd.

11.30am: Bobby Burke, Laureen Drive.

John Sr. & John Jr. Scahill, Fountain.

Vivienne Guerin, St. Michael's Villas.

George & Eileen Bradley, Drumcliffe Rd.

1pm: Mass for the Ukranian Community.

5pm: Mass for the Brazilian Community.

Mon: 7.40am: Patrick, Beatrice & Tom Foley &
 Marian Reid, Ennis.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Michael & Kathleen Mahony & Family,
 Hermitage.

Tues 7.40am Book of Intentions..

11am: Fr. Noel O'Neill, Columban Missionaries,
 Limerick, Ennis & Korea.

7.30pm: Special Intention.

Mabel & Cormac McGuinness, Isolde McGuinness

Marshall & Edith Colgan, Clonroadmore.

Wed 7.40am: Holy Souls.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Mary Ellen, Joe & Tommy Hickey, Tullassa.

Gerry Fitzpatrick, Toonagh, Fountain.

Darren Stack, Golf Links Rd. & Cappahard.

Thurs 7.40am: Mass for the People.

11am: John Joe & Bridget Loftus, Butternmarket.

7.30pm: John, Marie & Peter Sheridan, Canterbury
 & Ennis.

Fri 7.40am: May & Michael Whelan, Toonagh.

11am: No intention booked.

7.30pm: Aidan Deegan, Brookville. **MM.**

John & Eileen Howard, Circular Rd.

Tommy & Nora Carroll, Gort Rd.

Jack Carroll, Harmony Row.

Luke & Mary Conway, Mullagh, Cavan.

Sat:11am: Mick Moloney, Lahinch Rd.

Bernie Ruane, Woodhaven.

6.30pm: Maureen Kitson, Marian Ave.

Teresa McGrath, Coole Lodge, Francis St. **MM.**

Mattie, Eileen & Brendan Burke, Golf Links Rd.

Gerald Cronin, 'La Salette', Clare Rd.

Jimmy Kenny, Clahanmore, Cree.

Sun 29th 8am: No intention booked.

9.30am: No intention booked.

11.30am: Eleanor Ford, Castlewood Park.

Georgina & Joseph Moloney & Deceased Moloney
 Family, Old Mill St.

Cathedral Renovation Appeal

In the past week Fr. Tom wishes to acknowledge donations of €50 & €20. Your generosity to the Cathedral Renovation Appeal is much appreciated. Thank you.

Corpus Christi



Each year the Church celebrates the precious gift from Jesus to us of Himself – His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Blessed Eucharist. This special day is called the Feast of Corpus Christi – The Body of Christ.

As far back as the 12th century Jesus has been honoured by this special feast day. The beautiful practices of Adoration, Benediction and carrying the Blessed Sacrament in procession emerged as time went on.

Peter's Pence & Diocesan Needs' Appeal

The annual appeal of both Pope Leo and Bishop Fintan for support in their work of spreading the Gospel message takes place next weekend on the Feast of SS Peter & Paul. This second collection at all Masses supports the work of the Church at Diocesan and international level and your generosity is much appreciated.

Lourdes



Our Diocesan Pilgrimage leaves on Wednesday Morning for Lourdes. If you would like a petition to be placed at the Grotto, please leave it into the Parish Office by 5pm on Tuesday.

Newly Baptised

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

Aubrey Burke;
Zinachi Eliana Njoku;



St. Joseph's

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat 7pm: Paddy & Chrissie Kearney, Kincora Park.

Sun 22nd 10am: Damian Moroney, Steele's ce.

Thomas & John Mee & Deceased Mee Family,
 Miltown Malbay

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: Brent Hulsey, Atlanta.

Anna McLoughlin, Ard na Gréine.

Fri 10.30am: Mary & Paddy O'Donoghue &
 Deceased family, Corofin.

Sat: 10.30am: Michael Purtill, Kilkee.

7pm: Eddie & Pauline Lynch, Kilkee.

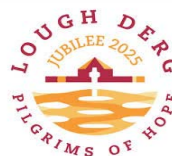
Sun 29th 10am: Owen McGowan, Fergus Lawn.

11.45am: Betty Burke, Lifford Rd.

Joe, Nell, Tom & Noreen Walsh, Clonroad.

Alf Hanrahan, Shannon Park & Barn tick.

Lough Derg Pilgrimage



This year's Parish and Diocesan pilgrimage to Lough Derg led by Bishop Fintan takes place from Tuesday 5th to Thursday 7th August. €135 covers the bus and Island fee. Booking and payment to the Parish Office.

Franciscan Pilgrimage to Knock



On Sunday 29th June a bus will leave from Ennis for this pilgrimage. Bookings can be made at the Friary Office – Tel 065 6828751.

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine.

On Sunday 6th July ceremonies begin at 2pm with Rosary. 2.30pm, Anointing of the Sick and 3pm Concelebrated Mass at the Basilica followed by Rosary Procession and Benediction. To book a seat on the bus leaving from St. Joseph's at 9.30am on the morning of 6th July, contact Brigdale Coaches Tel. 086 8034092 or info@brigdalecoaches.com (preferable)

Relay for Life

All are welcome to enjoy the family fun at Relay for Life Clare, a 24-hour event from 21st June at 2pm to 22nd June at 2pm, as we walk together in Fairgreen, Ennis to fight cancer.

Cancer survivors and those living with cancer are invited to join a special lap of honour and reception – register at relayforlifclare@gmail.com or follow us on social media.

Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 22nd 11am: Bunnie & Paddy Tuohy, Old Mill St

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Sun 29th 11am: Special Intention.

Maureen & Michael Hennessy, Shallee Drive.

Rally for Life 2025 - Ireland's largest annual Pro Life March in its 19th year takes place on Saturday 5th July at 1.30pm, starting at Parnell Square, Dublin.

Ordination



Bro. Philip McMahon OFM who served as a Deacon in this parish and Pastoral Area last summer will be ordained to the priesthood this Sunday in St. Mary's Church, Navan, Co. Meath by Bishop Tom Dennyhan, Bishop of Meath for service in the Franciscan Order. Please keep Bro. Philip in your prayers this weekend.

Clare Youth Service Summer Camp



Clare Youth Service Summer Camp running in Ennis, July 14th-18th for children aged 7-11yrs. For more info contact Helena on 0858047580.



Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please apply via the ALONE website at www.alone.ie or for further info, contact Caroline on 086-0591399 or email caroline.bradley@alone.ie. If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you, please call 0818 222 024.

Parish Tax Form

Parishioners are asked to return their signed tax form to the Parish Office in the envelope provided as soon as possible. Thank you for your co-operation.

REST IN PEACE



Joe McMahon, Glassan, Lahinch Road;

Catherine Tobin, Gallows' Hill;

Baby Siún Fleming, Elm Park;

Eileen Quinn, Sixmilebridge, Sister of Tony Quinn, Tobertaoscain;

Maureen (Johnnie) Cosgrove (nee O'Loughlin), McNamara Park.

Noel Cahill, Mallow, Co. Cork, Brother of Paddy, Kevin Barry Ave.

Patrick Hartney, Mountain View;

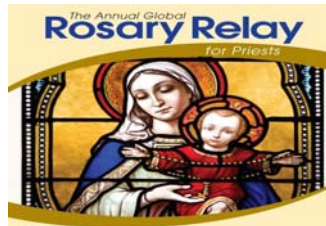
Thomas O'Connell, Fountain.

Feast of the Sacred Heart



We celebrate this Feast on Friday, honouring the Sacred Heart and God's love and care for each one of us.

Global Rosary Relay



Fr. Joy will pray the Rosary in the Cathedral on Friday 27th June - Feast of the Sacred Heart as part of the Global Rosary Relay which will be broadcast throughout the world on this day.

The Rosary will be prayed at 2.30pm.

*"There is no problem,
no matter how difficult it is,
whether temporal or above all,
spiritual in the personal life
of each one of us,
of our family,
that cannot be solved by the Rosary."*
Sr. Lucia of Fatima

Day Pilgrimage to "God's Cottage and Prayer Centre" Glendalough from Ennis on Sunday the 24th of August, 2025.

Day includes bus departing beside Ennis Cathedral, Station Road at 7.30am. Prayer, Praying the Psalms, Mass, Guided Walk and talk by Fr. Thady Doyle. Bus return €45.

Booking, payment and further information- Frank (087) 9652864.

FREE Summer Art Camp in Ennis

Do you know a young person (age 8-12) living with a lifelong physical health condition (like diabetes, epilepsy, spina bifida, heart conditions, juvenile arthritis, rare conditions, and more) who loves being creative and meeting new friends?

Helium Arts is running a FREE Summer Art Camp in Ennis on 22-24 July at CBS Primary School, Ennis. Apply via <https://helium.ie/workshops/ennis-summer-camps/>

Led by professional artists, with volunteers and medical support onsite, these fun and supportive camps offer kids a chance to have fun, explore their creativity and connect with others who share similar experiences. Let's help more young people start their summer with creativity, connection, and joy.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne



Féile Chorp Chríost - Corpus Christi

Thug Íosa a Chorp agus a Fhuil dúinn mar lón anama. Bhunaigh Sé an Eocairist Naofa ar Dhéardaoín na Páise ag an suipéar deireanach leis na hAspail. Is é seo mar a labhair sé leo "an té a itheann mo chuid Feola agus a ólann mo chuid Fola, cónaíonn sé ionamsa agus cónaimse ann"(Eoin 6:54). Déanfaidh sé difríocht nach beag dúinne má ghlacaimid an Chomaoin Naofa go minic.

Is féidir linn cuairt a thabhairt ar eaglais freisin nó Comhartha na Croise a dhéanamh agus sinn ag gabháil thart. Bhí ár sinsir an-dílis do na nósanna seo a tháinig anuas chugainn ó ghlúin go glúin agus b'fhiú iad a chleachtadh agus a athnuachan chun sinn a threorú ar bhóthar ár leasa. Is baill de Chorp Chríost sinn uile.

Tugann an Fhéile seo deis dúinn bheith rannpháirteach le hÍosa de shíor. Ní foláir dúinn ár dTiarna a fheiceáil i ngach duine agus gníomhú mar a mhol Sé dúinn i ngach gné dár saol. Is maith liom an phaidir ghearr seo:

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

Jesus gave us his Body and Blood as food for our souls. He instituted the sacrament of the Blessed Eucharist at the Last Supper with his apostles on Holy Thursday. This is what he said to them

"Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day." (John 6: 54). If we receive Holy Communion frequently it will make a big difference in our lives.

We can also visit the Blessed Sacrament in the church and bless ourselves as we pass a church. Our ancestors were very faithful to these practices that have been passed down to us from generation to generation. It is desirable to renew these for our good. We are all members of God's family.

This feast provides us with an opportunity to be present with Jesus at all times. We ought to see Jesus in all those we meet and Pray:

*O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament Divine
all praise and all thanksgiving
be every moment thine. Amen.*

Ennis Parish
Development Fund
for Sunday, 15th June

Fund €6,706
Online €334.50

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

He fed them with the finest wheat and
satisfied them with honey from the rock.

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 Genesis.

Gen 14:18-20

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and
wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He
pronounced this blessing:
'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, crea-
tor of heaven and earth,
and blessed be God Most High for handing
over your enemies to you.'
And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

**Response: You are a priest forever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.**

The Lord's revelation to my Master:
'Sit on my right:
I will put your foes beneath your feet'. **R.**

The Lord will send from Zion
your sceptre of power:
Rule in the midst of all your foes. **R.**

A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the daybreak
I begot you. **R.**

The Lord has sworn an oath
he will not change.
'You are a priest forever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old' **R.**

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

Cor 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and
in turn passed on to you: that on the same
night that he was betrayed, the Lord Jesus
took some bread, and thanked God for it
and broke it, and he said, 'This is my body,
which is for you; do this as a memorial of
me.'

In the same way he took the cup after
supper, and said, 'This cup is the new
covenant in my blood. Whenever you drink
it, do this as a memorial of me.' Until the
Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat
this bread and drink this cup, you are
proclaiming his death.

The word of the Lord

SEQUENCE

Behold the bread of angels, sent
For pilgrims in their banishment,
The bread for God's true children meant,
That may not unto dogs be given:

Oft in the olden types foreshadowed;
In Isaac on the altar bowed,
And in the ancient paschal food,
And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,
Still show to us thy mercy sign;
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
So may we see thy glories shine
In fields of immortality;

O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,
Our present food, our future rest,
Come, make us each Thy chosen guest,
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest
With saints whose dwelling is with thee.
Amen Alleluia.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

*I am the living bread which has come down
from heaven, says the Lord.*

*Anyone who eats this bread will live
forever!.*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. **Lk 9:11-17**

Jesus made the crowds welcome and
talked to them about the kingdom of God;
and he cured those who were in need of

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came
to him and said, 'Send the people away, and
they can go to the villages and farms round
about to find lodging and food; for we are in a
lonely place here.'

He replied, 'Give them something to eat
yourselves.'

But they said, 'We have no more than five
loaves and two fish, unless we are to go our-
selves and buy food for all these people.'

For there were about five thousand men.

But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit
down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and
made them all sit down.

Then he took the five loaves and the two fish,
raised his eyes to heaven, and said the bless-
ing over them; then he broke them and hand-
ed them to his disciples to distribute among
the crowd.

They all ate as much as they wanted, and
when the scraps remaining were collected
they filled twelve baskets.

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 be-
fore all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God
from true God, begotten, not made, consub-
stantial 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 ac-
cordance 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

**Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my
blood remains in me and I in him,
says the Lord.**