



Ennis Parish News

Mass Times

Sundays:

Cathedral:- Sat. Vigil: 6.30pm; Sunday: 9am, 10.30am & 12 noon
St. Joseph's:- Sat. Vigil: 7pm; Sunday: 8, 10, 11.30am
Cloughleigh Church:- 9.30am, 11am
Friary:- Sat. Vigil: 7.30pm; Sunday: 9.30, 10.30, 12.00 noon
Poor Clare Monastery:- 7.45 a.m.

Weekdays:

Cathedral: Mon. – Fri: 7.45am; 10am & 7.30pm; 10am on Saturday
St. Joseph's:- Monday – Saturday: 11am
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: 6840715; Friary: 6828751

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

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

Confessions in Cathedral Saturday After 10am Mass & before and after 6.30pm Mass

St Joseph's Saturday After 11am Mass

Parish Office open Mon to Fri 9.30-1pm & 2-5pm Sat 10.30-12noon

Third Sunday of Easter

10th April 2016 (Year C)

The Peace of the Lord be with you always



The Rite of Peace, during Mass, centres on the gift of peace promised by Jesus at the last supper.

"Peace I bequeath you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you" (Jn14:27).

Recalling these words, the priest, prays a prayer directed to Jesus Christ asking peace for his Church as a whole to help us spread the Gospel, and also for each of us, her members, that we may experience the peace of Christ in our own lives. *"Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, peace I give you..."*

Then the priest offers us that gift peace saying, *"The peace of the Lord be with you always"* which echoes the words of the Risen Jesus to his terrified apostles hiding in the upper room. Despite all the locks and bolts that secured their hideout, someone manages to slip in. Someone who looks identical to their dead friend Jesus! You would expect them to react with blind panic, terror and absolute hysteria. But that's not what happened. Jesus said *"Peace be with you" and showed them his hands and his side...and*

he said to them again "peace be with you..." (John 20:20). In their panic and hysteria they would not be able to see or think clearly enough to recognise Jesus. With the words *"Peace be with you"*, Jesus isn't just saying "Hello" but calming their fears through his gift of *"peace the world cannot give"*.

With their fears dissipated, they see clearly with eyes of faith, recognise their Lord, realise that he has indeed risen and boldly proclaim this good news.

As we hear the words *"The peace of the Lord be with you always"* we also receive that same gift of peace and for the same purpose. We too can be locked in our own "upper room" by the anxieties and distractions of our busy lives which can blind us to the presence of Jesus really and truly right before our eyes on the altar. But like the apostles, it is the gift of his peace that helps us and indeed the church as a whole, to recognise him.

The priest may then invite us to offer each other the "sign" of peace, a handshake with one or two people accompanied by the words *"Peace be with you"*. This is not a time for greetings or casual conversations, not a time for congratulations or condolences at weddings or funerals or to wish people Happy Easter or Christmas, all of which would distract our focus away from Jesus. Its purpose is to acknowledge Christ's presence in each other and share the peace that we have all received from Christ with each other.

If the exchange of the sign of peace is omitted, don't worry, it's optional and everybody has just received the gift of Christ's peace anyway!

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: Mary Meaney, Greenpark. MM
ENS & Holy Family School—Do this in Memory
Sun 10th: 9am: Deceased Griffin Family, Tullabrack.
 John & Mary Anne Ryan, Knockalough, Kilmihil.
10.30am: John & Mary Broderick, Loughville.
 Kathleen Cassidy, Scotland.
 Thomas & Annie Hynes, Limerick Rd.
 Sheila Fitzgerald, Westfields.
 Margaret Ann Collins, Clarecastle & Kildysart.
 Michael & Kitty Kenneally, Fergus Park.
 Bridget, Patrick & Mary Gallagher, Donegal.
 Mary Harkus (nee Coffey) Hermitage & Holyhead.
 Patsy Callinan, Ard na Greine.
12noon: John Sullivan, Gallows Hill. MM
 Frances Butler, Claireen, Lahinch Rd. MM
Mon: 7.45am: Michael & Esther Foley, Fergus Park.
10am: Thomas Devitt, Inagh.
7.30pm: Martin, Teresa & Phyllis O'Grady, Turnpike Rd.
Tues: 7.45am Book of Intentions.
10am: Martin Higgins, Clancy Park.
7.30pm: Chris Walsh, Cusack Lawn.
Wed: 7.45am: John & Mary O'Rourke, Tulla.
10am: Kathleen Cunningham, Labasheeda.
7.30pm: Nora & Lynch family, Dalcassian Dr.
Thurs: 7.45am: Norrie Power, Considine Rd.
10am: Sylvester Cosgrove, Fernhill.
7.30pm: Patsy McCarthy, Hermitage.
Fri: 7am: Mass for the People.
10am: Caroline & Joseph Ensko, Connolly Villas.
7.30pm: Michael Gleeson, Gallows Hill. MM
Sat: 10am: Frank Roche, Dalcassian Park.
6.30pm: Kathleen McNamara, Glensheen. 1st Anniv
Sun 17th 9am: Michael Larkin Cusack Rd.
 Frances O'Rourke, Dalcassian Ave.
10.30am: William McGovern, College View, Clare Rd.
 Kevin Maxwell, Shalee Drive.
 Mortimer Guthrie, Loughville.
 Des & Peggy Carroll, Corrovarrin Drive.
 Bridget White, Drumbiggle.
 Elizabeth & Denis Neylon, Bank Place.
 Enid O'Loughlin, Corrovarrin Grove.
 Con & Teresa Delaney, O'Connell Square.
 Christy & Breda Carpenter & family, Hermitage Rd.
12noon: Tony Lillis, Edenvale. 1st Anniv

Roster for Cathedral: Sunday 17th April, 2016

Readers: Group 1
 Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 4
 Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 10th 9.30am: Austin Connole, Shalee, Lahinch Rd.
Do This In Memory—Scoil Christ Ri.
11am: Jim Organ, Loughville.
Mon 9.30am: PJ Meaney, Cranny.
Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.
Wed 9.30am: Bridget Crowe, Knockerra, Kilrush.
Thu 9.30am: Special Intention.
Fri 9.30am: Tommy & Jack Carroll,
 Harmony Row & Gort Rd
Sun 9.30am: John Daly, Cloughleigh & Westbourne.
11am: Susan Bannon, Loughville.

Hospital & Sick Calls

10th April, 2016

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom O'Gorman
 Please call: 065 6869098
Wednesday:
Fr. Ger Fitzgerald
 Please call: 065 6869098

Blessing of Babies



**Special blessing for all
 babies Baptised during
 the year,
 Cathedral 17th April
 2.30pm.**

Blessing of Expectant Parents



**Ennis Cathedral
 20th April @ 8pm
 All Welcome!!!!**

Newly Baptised

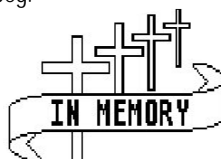


*We welcome into the
 Christian Community
 through the Sacrament
 of Baptism:*

**Daniel John Hehir;
 Jack Ciaran Murphy**

Rest in Peace

Mary Hynes, Kilnoe House, Clare Rd.; Joan Gordon (nee Smith), late of Market St., & England, sister of Nuala Herbert, Gort Road; Kitty Smyth, Carmody Street; Kevin Maughan, Childers Road; Bridie Moore, Knocklong, Limerick, mother of Therese Murphy, Ballybeg.



*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.*

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:

7pm: Joe Skelly, New Rd.
 Kathleen Reilly, Corrovarrin Crescent. MM
Sun 10th 8am: Tom & Mae Minter, Kincora Park.
10am: Denis & Bridie Greer, Shannon Park.
Mon 11am: Gerry & Aggie O'Dwyer, Old Gort Rd.
Tues 11am: Micko & Gretta Ryan, Hermitage.
Wed 11am: Bunny Moloney, Steele's Tce.
Thu 11am: Michael Meaney, Lissycasey.
Fri 11am: Tommy Moloney, Marian Ave.
Sat 11am: Mary Moroney, Gort Rd. 1st Anniv
7pm: Kevin Lynch, Lifford Rd. 1st Anniv
Sun 10am: PJ & Eileen O'Loughlin, Kevin Barry Ave.
11.30am: Peter Finnegan, St. Senan's Rd.

Dates for your Diary:

- Visitation Meeting Wednesday 13th April Parish Centre 10.45am.
- Bereavement Team meeting Wednesday 13th April, Parish House 8pm.

Reflection for Year of Mercy



What mercy means to me in my own understanding is a kind, compassionate treatment of an offender, enemy, prisoner or other person under one's power who might deserve harsh treatment. It is a disposition towards being kind and forgiving. I threw myself on God's mercy when I was a young boy growing up. Things were very hard for me when I was young and I was under distress but because of the faith I have in God, his mercy made a way for me when there seemed to be no way. His mercy is a reward of gratuitous compassion and is God not punishing us as our sin deserves and a deliverance from judgement. God is rich in his mercy towards us as he extends his loving compassion to us, regardless of our faults and failings. He will never forget us, we have a living hope in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Felix Omorodion.

Live the Word:

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of Life. It turns what we have into enough and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend.

Newsletter items to Parish Office ☎ 065-6824043
 Fax 065-6842541 or email: info@ennisparish.com
 Deadline is 12 noon on Tuesday.

Catholic Social Teaching

A main theme of Catholic Social Teaching is the inherent value, worth and dignity of each of God's human beings. Human dignity is something that can't be taken away. Catholic Social Teaching states that each and every person has value, is worthy of great respect and must be free from slavery, manipulation and exploitation.

"Catholic social teaching believes that human beings, created in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26-27), have by their very existence an inherent value, worth, and distinction".

Daniel Groody "Globalization, Spirituality and Justice"

"How can it be that it is not a news item when an elderly homeless person dies of exposure, but it is news when the stock market loses two points? This is a case of exclusion."



Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*

Diocesan Pastoral Plan evaluation - A mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan is currently underway, and any parishioner who wishes, can participate. An evaluation questionnaire is now available on the diocesan website for completion by 18th April, 2016.

Bishop Willie Walsh's new book NO CRUSADER - will be launched at the Parish Centre Ennis Cathedral on Thursday 21st April at 7pm approx. All are very welcome to this event - if you want to pre order his beautiful memoirs please ring Geraldine: 0656828696 --- looking forward to seeing you on the night.

Maranatha Prayer Ministry Healing Retreat and Family Tree Mass Sunday, 17th April, 2.30pm through the Ministry of Fr. John Walsh, Limerick and lay speakers Janice and Moss Carrigg, at St. Paul's Church, Dooradoyle, Limerick. Afternoon includes Spirit filled Praise and Worship Music and Song, Talk, Confessions and Family Tree Mass. Tea after in hall. All welcome.

Senior Citizens' Day Tour to

Galway on Wednesday the 18th May 2016. Tour includes return trip to Galway, tea/coffee scones, light lunch & evening dinner, site visit and activities. Bus leaving from Banner Arms, Market Street at 9am sharp. Cost of Day €40. (Only payments made to Ennis Parish Office confirm booking). Booking and further details from Fr. Ger Fitzgerald (065) 6824043 or Frank Glynn/Community Outreach Worker for the Elderly (087) 1818828



Mount Callan challenge. St Joseph's Doora Barefield ladies' football club. Sunday April 17th 11am. Walk led. Meet at The Hand, Kilmaley. Contact Martina 087 7781839

Sale of Work on Saturday 16th April from 12 mid day and Sunday 17th April after all masses in the new Parish Centre." Great variety of clothes and Bric a Brac, Cake Sale, Raffle, and tea served. Come along and enjoy a great day.

Meditation with movement and beautiful inspirational music in St Anthony's Hall, Francis St, Wednesday 13th April; 7.30pm. All are welcome. Enquiries Mary: 0879701130.



Follow the Icon
Our Mother of Perpetual Help
Pilgrimage to Cathedrals of Ireland,
Celebrating 150 Years with the
Redemptorists 1866-2016.

Blessed Pope Pius IX presented the Icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help to the Redemptorists for veneration in their newly-built Church of Sant' Alfonso, Rome in December 1865. It was much in need of restoration so it was April 26th, 1866 before it was solemnly installed there. The Holy Father gave the Redemptorists a mandate: they were to promote devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help throughout the world. Just over a year later, the first copy arrived in Mount St. Alphonsus, Limerick.

Programme for Ennis Cathedral:

Thursday 14th April

7.30pm Mass:

9.30pm Healing Service:

11pm Prayer around the Icon:

Friday 15th April

7am Mass:

10am Mass:

11.30am Primary Schools Service:

CCE Ennis Branch are hosting a Sean-Nós Dance workshop in Cois na hAbhna on Sunday 10th; 3-5pm. Teacher is Enma O'Sullivan who hails from Connemara. Beginners to advanced followed by a cupán tae & a music session. All musicians & dancers welcome.

Next Meeting of St Flannan's Parents Association Monday 11th April 2016; 8.15pm; Room 1 beside Reception. All Welcome.

ICA Fergus Guild, have changed their meeting venue to Clarecare Meeting Room, Harmony Row, AGM takes place Thursday April 14th; 7:30pm, all are welcome.

Benefit Dance: Friday 15th April, Magowna House Hotel 9.30pm. In aid of Milford Hospice, Music by Danny Hunt, Special guests Sharkey School of Dancing. All welcome. Contact Geraldine: 0863957543

Retired Nurses' Association Clare Branch; AGM of Clare Branch Mon 11th April 11am in The Gove. All members welcome.

Fairtrade foods and crafts available after Masses this weekend, in the Chapter Room at the back of the Cathedral. Further Information: 085-8405122.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Mí Aibreán

I mí Aibreáin bí linn, a Thiarna. Is iad intinní an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Go bhfaighe feirmeoirí cúiteamh cóir ar a gcuid saothair luachmhair. Go dtuga Críostaithe san Afraic fianaise ar ghrá d'Íosa Críost agus ar chreideamh ann, é sin i gcomhthéacs coimhlint pholatiúil-reiliginúach. Inniu an tríú Domhnach den Chaisc. 'Siócháin daoibh' sin í an bheannacht a d'úsáid Íosa go minic i ndiaidh an Aiséirí. Bhí Íosa tar éis maithiúnais ar a bpeacaí a shaothrú don chine daonna agus athmhuintearas a dhéanamh le Dia ar a son agus iad a thabhairt ar ais i ngrásta Dé. Is trí aithrí agus an athnuachan chroí is mó a airimid an tsíocháin. Is bronntanas luachmhar í an tsíocháin anama, bronntanas flaithiúil ó Dhia agus ba cheart dúinn í a chaomhnú le cúram agus le freagracht. Guímís go díograiseach ar son na síochána i bhfocail San Proinsias:

A Thiarna, déan díom cuisle do shíochána.

San áit a bhfuil fuath, go gcuire mé grá;

áit a bhfuil éagóir, pardún;

áit a bhfuil amhras, creideamh.

áit a bhfuil éadóchas, dóchas;

áit a bhfuil dorchadas, solas;

agus áit a bhfuil brón, lúcháir. Áiméan.

During the month of April be with us Lord. The Pope's intentions for April are: That farmers may receive a just reward for their precious labour. That Christians in Africa may give witness to love and faith in Jesus Christ amid political-religious conflicts.

Today is the third Sunday of Easter. 'Peace be with you' was the blessing Jesus used very often after the Resurrection. Jesus has achieved redemption for mankind and we are reconciled with God's grace. It is through repentance and renewal we experience peace. Peace is a precious gift from a generous God. We ought to cherish it carefully and responsibly. Let us pray fervently for peace in the words of St Francis:

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injustice, pardon;

where doubt, faith.

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

and where there is sadness, joy. Amen.

Public lecture series being hosted by the Masters In Education and Wellbeing of the Older Person, Mary Immaculate College. The next workshop is Saturday 9th April at 10am. The 'Third Act Seminar' with Dr Ed Kelly promises to be a lively and interesting session. On Saturday April 16th Patricia Rickard Clarke, former Law Reform Commissioner will talk on 'The Enhancement of the Rights of the Older Person by the Assisted Decision-Making Capacity Bill' (2015).

IRISH Wheelchair association Clare Branch AGM Monday 11th; 730pm; IWA Centre, Francis St. (old Clare FM building). All welcome.

Oakleigh Wood (Ennis) Residents Association AGM will be held in Fahy Hall, Roslevan at 8pm on Sunday 10th April. All residents are invited to attend.

Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 3rd April, €7,295.00

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

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 5:27-32.40-41

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning', he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.

O lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
Restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. R.

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, give thanks to his holy name.

His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.

At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. R.

The Lord listened and had pity.

The Lord came to my help.

For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;

O Lord my God, I will thank you forever. R.

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse. Apo 5:11-14

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation - everything that lives in the air and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has risen: he who created all things, and has granted his mercy to men.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. John 21:1-19

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net

and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken.

Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead. 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

Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat.

And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia.