



Ennis Parish News

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

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.

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St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715; Friary: 6828751

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 16th October 2016

So what is a Sacrament?



In our schools, children are enrolling for the sacraments of First Penance, First Communion and Confirmation around this time. They are embarking on a voyage of discovery, learning more about their faith and hopefully encountering God in a real sense in their lives. They do this with help and support from home, school and parish.

We know that Confirmation, First Communion etc are not merely rituals to mark milestones in a child's development but **Sacraments** which we receive from Christ through his church. What is a Sacrament? What makes a Sacrament so unique?

We recognise that the Sacraments have a visible and invisible reality, a reality open to all the human senses but grasped in its God-given depths with the eyes of faith. When parents hug their children, for example, the visible reality we see is the hug. The invisible reality the hug conveys is love. We cannot "see" the love the hug expresses, though sometimes we can see its nurturing effect in the child.

The visible reality we see in the Sacraments is their outward expression, the form they take, and the way in which they are administered and received. The invisible reality we cannot "see" is God's grace, his gracious initiative in redeeming us through the death and

Resurrection of his Son. His initiative is called *grace* because it is the free and loving gift by which he offers people a share in his life, and shows us his favor and will for our salvation. Our response to the grace of God's initiative is itself a grace or gift from God by which we can imitate Christ in our daily lives.

The saving words and deeds of Jesus Christ are the foundation of what he would communicate in the Sacraments through the ministers of the Church. Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Church recognises the existence of **Seven Sacraments** instituted by the Lord.

The Sacraments of Initiation:

Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

The Sacraments of Healing:

Penance and the Anointing of the Sick.

The Sacraments at the Service of Communion:

Marriage and Holy Orders.

Through the Sacraments, God shares his holiness with us so that we, in turn, can make the world a holier place.

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*Fáilte-Bienvenue-Willkommen-Benvenuto-Bienvenido-Witajcie-Bemvindo-
Welkom-Velkomin-Vitejte-Karibu-Croeso-Valkommen-Tervetuloa-Welcome*

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Holy Family Confirmation Enrolment.

Sun 10th: 9am: Maureen O'Connell, Drumline.

10.30am: Maura Cotter, Victoria Court.

Michael Evans, Golf Links Rd.

Michael Naughton, Inisgrove, Lahinch Rd.

Paddy, Maisie & Olive Chapman, Hermitage.

Ennis NS Communion Enrolment Ceremony.

12 noon: Memorial Mass for Patrick Gormley,
Turnpike, McNamara Park & UK.

Mon: 7.45am: Maura Kelly, Abbey Street.

10am: Andy Hogan, St. Flannan's Tce.

7.30pm: Frank McMahon, Morrissey Avenue.

Tues: 7.45am: Book of Intentions.

10am: Michael Halpin, Carmody Street.

7.30pm: Cropera family, Turnpike & Dalcassian Pk.

Wed: 7.45am: Mary Lernihán, Gallows Hill.

10am: Patrick & Lena Duggan, Connolly Villas.

7.30pm: Pat McInerney, Corrovarrin Grove.

Thurs: 7.45am: James Hunt, Dublin & Kilkee.

10am: Delia & Patrick O'Brien, Marian Avenue.

Deceased Mahoney family.

7.30pm: Denis Sexton, Hermitage.

Fri: 7.45am: Mass for the People.

10am: Mary Reddan, Beechpark.

7.30pm: Trevor Dilger, Lexington, Kentucky, USA. MM

Sat: 10am: Patrick Whelan, Dalcassian Park.

Margaret Lernihán (nee Downey), Cork.

6.30pm: Sean Naughton, Castlélawn, Tulla Rd. MM

Sun 17th: 9am: Paddy Hennessy, College Grove.

10.30am: Mary Thynne, Merchants' Sq.

Kitty, Jimmy & John Daly, Cloughleigh.

Paddy & Peggy Sheehan, St. Flannan's Tce.

Lorraine O'Connor, Showgrounds Rd.

Ennis NS Confirmation Enrolment Mass.

12noon: Mary Mgt Coffey, Tobertaoscain. 1st Anniv

Collette Kelly 1st Anniv, Brookville.

Eamon Kelly, Woodview.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 23rd October, 2016

Readers: Group 3

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 10th 9.30am: Bridget Doherty, St. Michael's Pk.

11am: Christina Coote, Considine Terrace.

Mon 9.30am: Pakie & Bridget Downes, Circular Rd.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions

Wed 9.30am Mimi Counihan, Golf Links Rd. 1st Anniv

Thurs 9.30am: Special Intention.

Fri 9.30am: Special Intention.

7.30pm: Esther, 1st Anniv & Christopher Gilligan,
Cloughleigh Rd.

Sun 9.30am: Esther & Thomas O'Brien, Hermitage.

11am: Mary Griffin, Cusack Rd.

Hospital & Sick Calls

16th October, 2016

Priest on Duty:

Fr. John McGovern

Please call: 065 6869098

Wednesday: Fr. Tom Hogan

Please call: 065 6869098

Mass for the Ennis

Padre Pio prayer group

will be held in Ennis

Friary Wed. 19th Oct; 7.30pm.

Celebrated by Bishop Fintan

Monahan. All are welcome.



October is the month of

The Holy Rosary



"Say the Rosary every day...

Pray, pray a lot and offer

sacrifices for sinners...

I'm Our Lady of the Rosary.

Only I will be able to help you.

In the end My Immaculate Heart
will triumph." *Our Lady at Fatima.*

Scoil Christ Rí Cloughleigh

would like to thank most sincerely everyone who took part in or gave donations towards our recent 5k fundraiser called the Rock Run and Walk. Congratulations to the prize winners. It was a fantastic success and the race will be an annual event in the 5k calendar taking place again in September 2017. All monies raised will be going towards our new school building. Thank you.

Gearóid Roughan, Principal.

Pray and Play

continues every

Sunday at

12noon. in the

Chapter Room of the Cathedral. Children up to First Communion age are welcome to come and explore their own faith in a fun, safe environment supervised by qualified adult catechists.



Live the Word:

Rest and self care are vital ingredients for life. When you take the time to replenish the spirit and rejuvenate the soul, it allows you to serve others from the overflow.



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: Anna & Jim McLoughlin, Ard na Gréine.

Sun 10th 10am: Martin Byrne, Gort Road.

11.30am: Rena Cabey, Fergus Lawn & Kilmaley. MM

Mon 11am: Mike Guthrie, Ballyvaughan.

Tues 11am: Ethel Hunt, Dublin.

Thu 11am: Paddy & Anne Hynes, Marian Ave.

Fri 11am: Ursula O'Sullivan, Cork.

Sat 11am: Michael & Delia Kenny, Gort Rd.

Sun 8am: Sheila Downes, Glenoir. 1st Anniv

10am: Patrick & Margaret Seery, Corrovarrin.

11.30am: Jimmy Shannon, Shannon Park.

Reflection for the Year of Mercy



'I have always had difficulty with the concept of mercy. It seemed to be something condescending, as in, 'I am better than you and you should be grateful'. I think about it now in terms of the balance of power, justice and equality. If you have power, be it social standing, monetary wealth, political influence or an opportunity to forgive, then it is merciful to use that power from a place of genuine love and a thirst for justice and equality, even if it means losing it. Nothing is to be gained from clinging to the social and moral high-ground.'

Sarah



Rest in Peace

Anthony Vincent (Tony) Kenny, Castlewood Park;
Mary Anderson, Kilrush Rd, Maureen Saunders,
Kilnaboy & Apostolic Work's society;

*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.*

The Killaloe Diocese Justice and Peace committee is holding a workshop on October 29th in Ennis in the Maria Assumpta Hall beginning at 10am. The workshop, delivered by the SMA Fathers, will focus on the role of Justice in the world today, the relevance of church teaching and what we can do in our parish and community settings. An event well worth attending for anyone with even a slight interest in justice issues in our world. All welcome.



The Priests of the Parish thank those who subscribed generously to their October Collection. A reminder to those who were away or who forgot, that their contribution would be gratefully received today or during the coming week.

Newly Baptised



We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Mackenzie McCoy; Conor Thys Henchey; Emilia Anna Daros.

ENNIS TIDY TOWNS – WINNERS

of Gold Medal and Ireland's Tidiest Large Urban Centre 2016 wish to thank the Ennis community for all their support in this year's campaign to become Ireland's Tidiest Town. There was a great community effort and spirit this year. Thank you to all who participated in the weekly clean ups, paint schemes, competitions and planting of flowers at shrines and parks. Thanks also to our wonderful partners; Clare County Council, Ennis Chamber of Commerce, Ennis Sub Aqua Club, Civil Defence and others with whose support we have excelled in the National Competition- just one mark away from the overall winner augurs well for 2017.

Ní neart go cur le chéile, Bigi Linn



Matt Talbot Novena Shannon

The annual Matt Talbot Novena praying for all suffering or sharing in the life of addictions continues this **Tuesday evening October 18th, 7pm; SS. John & Paul Church Shannon**. This week's preacher is Rev Frank Bradley, PP, Buncrana, Co. Donegal. Petitions/Prayers of Thanksgiving can be left at the shrine or sent securely to the special online email available on www.shannonparish.ie. The novena can also be viewed live each week on Shannon Parish webcam.



Computer Training: Wordprocessing, Spreadsheets, Database, Powerpoint, Internet, email. Tel 065-6824785 (Ennis).

Beginners' Adult Art Classes, Tulla Road (8-week course). Contact Marie: 0863733015 or crannart@yahoo.com

Sewing and Dressmaking classes for beginners and advanced. Learn how to use a sewing machine or sew a garment of your own choice. 6 lessons will start Tuesday, 25th Oct; Gaelscoil Mhichil Ciosog, Ennis 6.30-8.30pm. For information contact Susanna: 0851243416.

Spooky Hallowe'en camp at Holy Family kids' club, jam packed with activities including, baking, arts and crafts etc, Tues 1st November - Friday 4th November; 9am-1pm €48 Limited free preschool spaces available on ECCE. Please contact Lara on 086843888 to reserve your space now.

Learning by Pictures' study skills session being held in Treacy's Hotel Ennis on Saturday 22nd of October from 10am to 1.30pm. Learning by Pictures shows students how to learn and study by using their visual memory. It shows students how to set up a study plan that is both effective and efficient. Booking is essential; Breda Coughlan: 086 3792360 or PM me on Learning by Pictures Facebook page

Back to Education Initiative, Further Education and Training Centre, Clonroad Campus, Clonroad Business Pk, are recruiting for learners interested in exploring the creative and collaborative world of performance and production in the dramatic arts. The programme (QQI Level 4) consists of 10 hours of class work over two days per week, aimed at adults who wish to explore their creative selves and creative opportunities in both education and work. You will study performance and production, along with relevant I.T. Skills, looking at theatre design which includes stage and costume design, storylines, plot and acting. Phone: 065-6843633 / Email: Martina.crowleyhayes@lcebt.ie or Eilish.liddy@lcebt.ie

DISCOVER THE RICHES OF THE MASS- A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS: A Five-Part Bible Study Featuring Edward Sri. In A Biblical Walk Through the Mass, you will come to know and understand the Mass like never before. Wednesdays: 9, 16, 23, 30th November and December 7th 2016, 7.30-9 pm, St. Michael's Pastoral Centre, Denmark Street, Limerick. €50 for 5 weeks. Booking Deadline: Wed, 2nd November. For further details, contact Sharon Clohessy 087 9027217 or Eilish Carter 087 8170420 (after 6 pm).

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Lá Domhanda an Bhia

Inniu comórtar Lá Domhanda an Bhia. Is í an Eagraíocht Bhia agus Talmhaíochta, ar a gIaoitear FAO, a chuir ar bun é sa bhliain 1981 agus ó shin i leith tá an 16 Deireadh Fómhair tiomnaithe don chúis seo. Tá sí mar aidhm ag an eagraíocht aird a tharraingt ar an bhfadhb ganntanas bia domhanda agus conas gur féidir le tíortha idirnáisiúnta saibhre teacht i gcabhair ar thíortha faoi mhíbhuntáistí an ocrais.

Tá bia ar bhonn ábhar tábhachtach do mharthanas an duine. Tá an daonra domhanda ag fás agus tá laghdú tagtha ar thalamh arúil de bharr athrú aeráide. Is é téama na bliana seo ná 'Tá an Aeráid ag Athrú agus ní foláir do Bhia agus Talmhaíocht athrú chomh maith'. Is scanrúil na staitisticí atá curtha ar fáil dúinn ag an FAO. Léiríonn siad go bhfuil daichead tír le ganntanas bia a bheag nó a mhór ar fud an domhain. Tá 854 milliún duine míchothaithe ann. Faigheann 5.6 milliún leanbh bás gach bliain den ocrais agus míchothú. I dtíortha atá ag forbairt tá ganntanas bia tromchúiseach, le duine as gach cuigear nach féidir teacht ar go leor bia. Is féidir linn anseo in Éirinn bheith fial, flaithiúil leis na cumainn mar Goal, Bóthar agus Trócaire a bhíonn ag obair de shíor ar son gorta i dtíortha thar lear. Abair an phaidir seo a leanas go rialta ar son iad siúd atá ar an ngannchuid.

Impidimid, a Athair ghrámhair, ar son na ndaoine uile atá faoi ghéarleanúint ar fud an domhain, gan féachaint do dhuine ná do chine ná do chreideamh seachas a chéile, agus go háirithe iad siúd atá ag fulaingt ar son na córa nó de bharr ocrais. Ná tréig iad go deo. Áiméan

This is World Food Day. Since 1981 the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) has set aside 16 October as World Food Day. The organisation aims at drawing attention internationally to food shortage and how rich countries can help those disadvantaged by hunger.

Food is necessary for survival. The world population is increasing and land is less arable because of climate change. The theme for this year is, 'Climate is changing. Food and agriculture must too.' The statistics published by FAO are frightening. Forty countries worldwide have food shortage with 854,000,000 undernourished. 5.6 million children die of hunger each year. In developing countries, there are serious food shortages, with one in five unable to find enough food.

We in Ireland can help by supporting generously organisations such as Goal, Bóthar and Trócaire that work tirelessly for those in need. We can also say the following prayer for deprived peoples.

Loving Father, we pray for all those who suffer persecution throughout the world, without consideration of person or nationality or religion above another, especially those who suffer on behalf of justice or because of hunger. Do not abandon them. Amen.

Mission Sunday: The people in Killaloe Diocese have been urged to support missionaries working in some of the world's poorest countries by donating during the forthcoming Mission Sunday collection on **October 23rd**. The theme for World Mission Sunday is **"Every Christian is a Missionary"**. As we thank you for your wonderful generosity to the Missions over the years we invite you to please continue to help our young churches to share the gift of faith through your prayer and whatever financial assistance you can

Maranatha Prayer Ministry invites you to our Healing Retreat; Sunday, 16th Oct.; 2.30pm; St. Pauls Church, Dooradoyle, Limerick through the Ministry of Fr. Lawrence, Monks of Moyross, Limerick and Sebastian Sales, Sehion UK with beautiful Spirit Filled Praise and Worship Music and Song, Confessions, Counselling, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Talk, Mass and Adoration and Laying on of hands for healing. Tea after. All welcome.

Christian Meditation practice every Tues in Roslevan Chapel 8pm & Ennis parish office Thurs night 8pm. No admission fee. All welcome

Improve your communications skills by joining Ennis Toastmasters, next meeting Tues 18th Oct; 8pm Templegate Hotel Ennis. Meet every second Tuesday. All welcome.

Clare Roots Society will resume their monthly meetings. Thur. 20th October, 8pm Old Ground Hotel. "A century in Clare 1916 - 2016". Jackie Elger of Cuimhneamh an Chlair will present an audio visual presentation, "A century in Clare 1916 - 2016, an oral history of life in the county". It will feature memories on emigration, schooldays, GAA, rural life and Ennis town. It will illustrate the value of elderly people as a resource for genealogy and family history.

The Clare Type 1 Diabetes Group have their next meet-up; Tuesday 18th Oct; 8pm in The Temple Gate Hotel. This meeting is an informal group of adults with type 1 diabetes and parents of children with diabetes. We share information about living with Type 1 diabetes and our life experiences to learn from each other how to better manage our diabetes. Our topic will be "Food, its science and how we can enjoy it for better diabetes management". The Clare Type 1 Diabetes Support Group can be contacted on telephone number 087 6548320 or email: clarebranchdfi@gmail.com

AUTISM EXPERIENCE EXHIBITION

An interactive exhibition on Autism, presented by AsIAM and Ennis Voices for Autism, will visit the Temple Gate Hotel on Thurs 20th Oct (from 10am to 8pm) and Fri 21st Oct (from 10am to 3pm). The exhibition is free to visit and is particularly aimed at helping young people better understand peers and friends with the condition. For more info email: info@asiam.ie

Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 9th October: €6,558

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 book of Exodus

Ex: 17; 8-13

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim.

Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.'

Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill.

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek.

But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset.

With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

I lift up my eyes to the mountains::

from where shall come my help?

My help shall come from the Lord

who made heaven and earth.

R.

May he never allow you to stumble!

Let him sleep not, your guard.

No, he sleeps not nor slumbers,

Israel's guard.

R.

The Lord is your guard and your shade;

at your right hand he stands

By day the sun shall not smite you

nor the moon in the night.

R.

The Lord will guard you from evil,

he will guard your soul.

The Lord will guard your going and coming

both now and for ever.

R.

A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to Timothy

2 Tm 3:14-4:2

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures - from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work.

Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience - but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ

enlighten the eyes of our mind,

so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Lk 18: 1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said

'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man.

In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death."

And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily.

But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

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

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.