



# 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.

### Phone Numbers:

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The Most Holy Trinity (Year C)

22nd May 2016

## The Most Holy Trinity – Not Understanding but Trusting

There is a legend that one day St. Augustine was walking along the seashore pondering how God could be One and yet Three. Suddenly he stopped and watched a child who was carrying a cup of ocean water to a small hole he had dug in the sand. "What are you doing?" asked Augustine. The child replied, "I'm trying to pour the ocean into this hole." The bishop laughed and said, "That's impossible." The child stared into his eyes and said, "It is no more impossible than for you to put Almighty God into your small mind." And it's true. The Trinity is one of those many things about life and faith that you and I will never understand.

We can either spend our lives making ourselves miserable about what does not make sense to us or we can live joyful lives based on trust in God. An ancient Chinese proverb says, "The bird does not sing because he has an answer; he sings because he has a song."

I may not be able to understand the mystery of God in three persons, but I can enjoy the incredible beauty of God the creator. I may not understand how the Bethlehem babe can be God, but I can read with awe the life and

teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. I may not understand all there is to understand about that Comforter that Jesus said he would send us, but there have been times when that Comforter, the Holy Spirit, has enveloped me with love.

I don't have to understand God in three persons in order to experience the grandeur of what those three persons can mean in my life. The secret of a successful life is not understanding but trust.



## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**6.30pm:** Bernard Guinnane, McNamara Pk. 1st Anniv  
Eileen Lynch, Cahercalla. 1st Anniv  
**Sun 22nd: 9am:** Mary & Gerard Davoren, Kilfenora.  
Anne & Noel Higgins, Hermitage.  
**10.30am:** Michael & Una O'Meara, Limerick Rd.  
Rita & Paddy Doolan, St. Patrick's Tce.  
Glynn family, Clonroad.  
Christy Rushe, College Rd.  
Mary & Paddy Broderick, Loughville.  
Celian Daly, Phoenix Court.  
Larry Cawley, Shanaway Rd.  
Noel & Pakie Ryan, Dalcassian Ave.  
**12noon:** Ted Barron 1st Anniv, Oakleigh Wood, &  
deceased Barron, Guerin & O'Shaughnessy families.  
**Mon: 7.45am:** Cathal Ryan, Shanaway Rd.  
**10am:** Helen Keane nee Mallon, Tyrone.  
**7.30pm:** Darren O'Grady, Glenoir.  
**Tues: 7.45am** Book of Intentions.  
**10am:** Joe McInerney, Doora.  
**7.00pm:** Harry Guinnane, late Hermitage.  
**Wed: 7.45am:** Delia Reidy, Golf Links Rd.  
**10am:** John Maughan, Stonecourt.  
**2pm: Mass & Anointing for people with disabilities.**  
**7.30pm:** James, Delia, Ger & Ettie Cosgrove, Clare Rd.  
**Thurs: 7.45am:** Kathleen, Pat & Paric Gilgunn, Leitrim.  
**10am:** Bernard Guinnane, Ennis.  
**7.30pm:** Flan, Claire, Paddy & Fr. Michael Donohue,  
Parnell St.  
**Fri: 7.45am** Mass for the People.  
**10am:** Flan Ryan, Drumcliffe.  
**7.30pm:** Seamus Purcell, Ard na Greine. MM  
**Sat: 10am:** Owen & Eileen Griffin, Buttermarket St.  
Sr. Mary Corry, Good Shephard Convent, Belfast. MM  
**6.30pm:** Lily Cleary, Woodhaven. MM  
Louis Clune, Lissycasey. MM  
**Sun 29th: 9am:** Charles & Madeline Bretecher.  
**10.30am:** Johnny Hehir, Connolly Villas.  
Brian & Nancy McMahon, Woodlawn.  
Eamonn Moloney, McNamara Park.  
Bridget & Michael Keane, Kilrush Rd.  
John & Elizabeth Fleming, Marian Ave.  
Kevin Scanlan, Cathedral Court.  
Bernie Meere Ryan, Upper Turnpike Road.  
**12noon: Mass Remembrance & Thanksgiving**  
**Irish Kidney Association.**

### Roster for Cathedral: Sunday 29th, 2016

Readers: Group 2  
Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 5  
Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



## Cloughleigh

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 22nd 9.30am:** Joan Coote, Considine Road.  
**11am:** Ciara Fox, Hermitage.  
**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions  
**Fri 9.30am:** Marty Killeen, Miltown Malbay.  
**Sun 29th 9.30am:** Jack & Mollie Burke & decd family,  
Dunsallagh, Miltown Malbay.  
**11am:** Joe Moloney, Loughville. 1st Anniv

## Hospital & Sick Calls

22nd May, 2016

### Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom O'Gorman

Wednesday:

Fr. Ger Fitzgerald

Duty Phone: 065 6869098

### Divine Mercy Chaplet



To mark the Year of mercy, we will continue to pray the Divine Mercy chaplet as a prayer group on this Tuesday Evening at 8pm in the chapter room. All are welcome to come and pray and we hope to keep up the wonderful attendance and new friendships formed so far. There will also be a short Lectio Divina after the chaplet. All welcome.

### Newly Baptised



We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Cayden Josh Culligan, Orlaith Mary Kearney;

### Mass & Anointing for people with disabilities & chronic illnesses, Ennis Cathedral



Wednesday  
25th May 2pm.

Celebrant: Fr. Tom Hogan PP.  
All are welcome.

Anniversary Mass for Christy & Bridie Murphy, Hermitage; Cahercalla; Friday 27th May 10.30am.

### Irish Kidney Association

Annual Mass of Remembrance & Thanksgiving; Cathedral; Sunday 29th May; 12 noon. Mass is in honour of those whose organs were donated thus giving the Gift of New Life to so many.

*We remember them,  
At the rising of the sun and  
its going down  
We remember them  
At the opening of the buds  
and in the rebirth of spring  
We remember them*



## 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 & Cathal Mulcaire, Cahercalla Heights. 1st Anniv  
**Sun 8am:** John 1st Anniv, Seán & Rose O'Sullivan, Kevin Barry Avenue.  
**10am:** Jimmy & Dilly O'Halloran, St. Senan's Rd.  
**11.30am:** Kathleen Leyden, Clancy Park. MM  
**Wed 11am:** Mike Joe Moloney, Ballyalla.  
**Sat 11am:** Patrick Flynn, Lifford Rd.  
**7pm:** Maureen Skelly, New Rd.  
Niall White, Lifford Rd.  
**Sun 29th 8am:** Special Intention.  
**10am:** Seamus O'Sullivan, Rosanore.  
**11.30am:** Sean & Chrissie O'Connell, The Crescent.

### Reflection for the Year of Mercy



In this year of Mercy, Catholic Schools are challenged to proclaim God's Mercy. As a teacher, I am blessed to get daily opportunities to foster a sense of compassion and forgiveness in the classroom, the family and the community. Bible stories highlight how Jesus forgave, didn't judge and how God's love is unconditional and how his mercy is boundless. Often the most meaningful way to teach mercy is to demonstrate it. Benjamin Franklin once said "Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn." The Sacrament of Penance provides us with a great opportunity for this involvement through reconciliation with oneself, God and others. Throughout life, children and adults sometimes make bad choices. Do these define us as bad people or lessen us in the eyes of God? Absolutely not. What is important is that we reflect, learn and seek forgiveness to become better people.

*Kevin Brennan,  
2nd class Teacher, Holy Family Senior School.*

### Rest in Peace



**Amby Kennedy**, Drimeen West; **Mary (May) Scanlan** nee Brennan, Willow Park & late Scatterry Island, Kilrush; **Breda Hassett** nee Tierney, Drumbiggie Rd; **Pearl Coady**, Knocktopher Co. Kilkenny, sister of Eileen Blake, Cahercalla; **Jock Dee**, Laural Lodge, Clare Road;  
*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.*



## May Devotions in honour of Our Lady

We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May.

**Rosary being recited at the following locations during the month of May:**

- Buttermarket Grotto, Rosary, daily Sun to Fri 7pm. Sat. 7.30pm.
- Corrovorrin Crescent, Rosary, daily, 7pm.
- Gallows Hill, Rosary, daily, 7pm.
- Rosary, Our Lady's Shrine, Dalcassian Pk; daily, 7pm.
- St. Michael's Villas Grotto, Rosary, daily, 7pm
- Mass and Benediction for the month of May to be held in Our Lady's Grotto in Dalcassian Park, Monday evening, May 23rd; 7pm.
- Lees Rd, 16th May 7pm, Rosary & Benediction.
- May Procession from Christ the King Church to Davitt Tce., Grotto May 23rd 7pm- (weather permitting).
- Loughville daily 8pm.
- Hermitage Grotto daily 6.30pm; Rosary & Benediction 26<sup>th</sup> May; 7.30pm.
- Ballybeg Grotto daily 8pm.
- Marian Avenue Grotto daily 7pm.
- Loughville 30<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm, Rosary & Benediction.



### Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Bring flowers of the rarest  
bring blossoms the fairest,  
from gardens and woodlands  
and hillside and dale;

Our full hearts are swelling,  
our glad voices telling  
the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!

Chorus:

*O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today!  
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*

*O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,  
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*

Their lady they name thee,  
Their mistress proclaim thee,  
Oh, grant that thy children on earth be as true  
As long as the bowers  
are radiant with flowers,  
as long as the azure shall keep its bright hue.

### Date for Diary

**Parish Walk:** Sunday 19th June starting at 2.30pm to 4pm: Year of Mercy remembrance walk covering places dating from 1878 to 1959.



Live the Word:

Today is the day to let go of the things that no longer serve you. Recognise what needs to change, make that change and trust that letting go of the old will welcome in the new.

## University of Notre Dame Folk Choir, U.S.



### Concert in the Cathedral Tuesday, May 24th; 8.30pm.

The 53 voice choir, who are being hosted in Tulla, have performed in Ennis four times in the past. Their music is an uplifting and joyous experience, and is used in many of our churches in Ireland. **Making a guest appearance with the choir will be the children of Knockanean School.** The choir will also perform in Tulla; Wednesday 25th May in collaboration with the choirs of East Clare. The concerts are free of charge, but any donations will support **Sláinte an Chláir, Kilnamona.** Information: 086 6088371.

**Trinity Prayer group** meet every Tuesday 8pm for a time of Thanksgiving, Praise & Worship at St Joseph's meeting room 52 Kincora Pk. Everyone Welcome

**The Joy of Love, Marriage, The family and Irish Society 2016.** Sat May 28th, The Rose Hotel, Tralee. Welcome by Bishop Ray Browne. Speakers include: John Waters; Sr. Consilio; Professor Ray Kinsella. Registration: 9.30am. To reserve a place email: mfmkerry@gmail.com Text/phone 0873459455

**Eire Óg club,** Clonroadmore Whist Drive Wednesday 25th may 8.30pm Everyone Welcome. Spot Prizes, Food, Craic on the night

**Clare 22 Battalion Association will hold their Annual Commemoration Ceremony** in memory of deceased and former members of the 22 Infantry Battalion FCA and LDF on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May; 7pm. The Ceremony will take place at the 22 Battalion Monument, Ennis Peace Park, Friars Walk (near Glór) Ennis. Family of deceased members and former members of the Units are welcome to attend to remember their loved ones.

### Pro Life Rally Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup>, Dublin:

Bus leaving Kilkee, Kilrush, Ennis, Shannon, Bunratty for Pro Life Rally on **Sat 4th June.** Contact Josephine: 085 2792077.

### Clare Burren Marathon Challenge - Sat May 28th 2016:

The Burren, Ballyvaughan, Co. Clare. Choice of Full, Half & 10K Mini marathons. Walk - Jog - Run, both on & off road, across the beautiful Burren terrain. Entry info: <http://www.clareburrenmarathonchallenge.com/> or phone 087 7779714. Charity Groups, individuals, runners, walkers - everyone welcome to take part.

**Enjoy the outdoors by learning sailing.** Contact Margaret: 0870476753 or see [www.cullaunsailingclub.com](http://www.cullaunsailingclub.com)

**Clare Parkinson's Support Group** meets at Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus; 10am; **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May.** For further information contact 087 415 8430

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Sollúntas na Tríonóide Naofa.

Ceiliúraimid inniu Féile na Tríonóide Naofa nó mar a thugtar uirthi go hoifigiúil Sollúntas na Tríonóide Naofa. Is í an rúndiamhair is mó agus is doimhne de na rúndiamhra Chríostaí. Sa Tríonóid creidimid go bhfuil trí phearsa in aon Dia amháin. Níl bealach níos fearr againn lenár n-onóir agus buíochas a léiriú don Tríonóid, ná tríd an phaidir thraidisiúnta: **Glóir don Athair, don Mhac agus don Spiorad Naomh. Áimeán.**

Ar lá ár mbaiste tháinig an Spiorad Naofa chun cónaí ionainn agus i gCóineartú tá misean againn bheith dílis don Chreideamh agus íosa a fhógairt don saol mór. Cuireann an fhéile seo os ár gcomhair gurb é atá i ndán dúinn, tar éis báis ná go mbeimid ag maireachtáil i láthair na Tríonóide ar feadh na síoraíochta. Is paidir dheas i seo a leanas:

**A Athair, a Mhac is a Spiorad Naomh,  
Bíodh an Tri in Aon linn de ló is d'óiche,  
Ar chúl na dtonn nó ar thaobh na mbeann  
Bíodh ár Máthair linn, bíodh a lámh faoinár  
gceann.**

*Áimeán; (ón Ár bPáidreacha Dúchais)*

*Cuirimid fáille mhór na taoide tuille roimh ár gcuaireoirí Chuig an Fleadh Nua an tseachtain seo. Tá clár, taitneamhach, iighnéitheach idir cheol, rince, agus amhránaíocht leagtha amach dúinn i rith na seachtaine. Bainimis taitneamh astu.*

*"Ceol chomh ciúin le cuisle an chroí chiúin  
Ceol meidhreach ri-ghealgháireach"*

*Eoghan Ó Tuairisc.*

Today we celebrate the feast of the Blessed Trinity or the Solemnity of the Blessed Trinity. It is one of the greatest mysteries of our faith. We believe that there are three persons in one God. We can show our love and respect for the Blessed Trinity by reciting the traditional prayer: **Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

In Baptism we received the Holy Spirit and in Confirmation, we have a mission to be faithful to the Faith of Christ and to proclaim it to the world. This feast reminds us that we will live forever in the presence of the Holy Spirit after death.

**Pray: O Father, Son and Holy Spirit**

**Let the Three in One, be always with us,  
Abreast the waves or on mountainside  
May our Mother's hand bear us up. Amen**

*We extend a warm welcome to our visitors to the Fleadh Nua this week. An attractive, diverse programme of music and dance is organised for us. Let us enjoy it.*

*"Music as soft as the beat of a heart Merry,  
cheerful, joyous music"*

*Eoghan Ó Tuairisc.*

The Month of May has been dedicated to emphasising the importance of Safeguarding Children:

**SAFEGUARDING:** Our Child Safeguarding Policy Statement - *'as a constituent member of the Catholic Church in Ireland, we recognise and uphold the dignity and rights of all children, are committed to ensuring their safety and wellbeing, and will work in partnership with parents/guardians to do this. We recognise each child as a gift from God, and we value and encourage the participation of children in all activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development.'*

**Ennis Community Event** Fri 27th May 5.30pm-8.30pm, Saturday 28th May 12pm-3pm. Venue: St Flannan's College. Music, dance, fashion show, business, sport & community expo. Special guests: Chef Rachel Allen Fri 27th, Mick Harte & Liam Sheedy Saturday 28th. Everyone welcome.

Ennis Parish Development Fund for  
Sunday 15th May, €7,252.00

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

Blest be God the Father,  
and the Only Begotten Son of God,  
and also the Holy Spirit,  
For he has shown us his merciful love.

### 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 Proverbs. Pr 8:22-31

The Wisdom of God cries aloud,

The Lord created me when his  
purpose first unfolded, before the  
oldest of his works.

From everlasting I was firmly set,  
from the beginning, before earth  
came into being.

The deep was not, when I was born,  
there were no springs to gush with  
water.

Before the mountains were settled,  
before the hills, I came to birth;  
before he made the earth, the  
countryside,

or the first grains of the worlds dust.  
When he fixed the heavens firm,  
I was there, when he drew a ring on  
the surface of the deep, when he  
thickened the clouds above, when he  
fixed fast the springs of the deep,  
when he assigned the sea its  
boundaries - and the waters will not

invade the shore - when he laid  
down the foundations of the earth,  
I was by his side, a master  
craftsman, delighting him day after  
day, ever at play in his presence, at  
play everywhere in his world,  
delighting to be with the sons of  
men.

### The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

*Response: How great is your name,  
O Lord our God, through all the earth!*

When I see the heavens,  
the work of your hands,  
the moon and the stars  
which you arranged,  
What is man that you should  
keep him in mind,  
Mortal man that you care for him? *R*

Yet you have made him  
little less than a god;  
with glory and honour you crowned him,  
gave him power over the  
works of your hand,  
put all things under his feet. *R*

All of them, sheep and cattle,  
yes, even the savage beasts,  
birds of the air, and fish  
that make their way through the waters. *R*

## A Reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans Rm 5:1-5

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we  
are judged righteous and at peace with God,  
since it is by faith and through Jesus that we  
have entered this state of grace in which we  
can boast about looking forward to God's  
glory. But that is not all we can boast about;  
we can boast about our sufferings. These  
sufferings bring patience, as we know, and  
patience brings perseverance, and  
perseverance brings hope, and this hope is  
not deceptive, because the love of God has  
been poured into our hearts by the Holy  
Spirit which has been given us.

### The word of the Lord

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and  
to the Holy Spirit,  
The God who is, who was, and who is to  
come. Alleluia!*

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I still have many things to say to  
you but they would be too much  
for you now.

But when the Spirit of truth comes  
he will lead you to the complete  
truth, since he will not be  
speaking as from himself but will say  
only what he has learnt; and he will  
tell you of the things to come.

He will glorify me, since all he  
tells you will be taken from what  
is mine.

Everything the Father has is  
mine; that is why I said: All he  
tells you will be taken from what  
is mine.'

### 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

Since you are children of God,  
God has sent into your hearts the Spirit  
of his Son, The Spirit who cries out:  
Abba, Father.