



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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Fifth Sunday of Easter

(Year C)

24th April 2016

Love is a popular word in our society.

Our world is desperately seeking true love. There are all kinds of dating services, escort services, personal classifieds, bars, clubs, and social organizations. There are illicit websites and chat rooms where you can pursue love without leaving your own home. All of these opportunities promise "true love" or "real love." But this is an example of the classic country song by Johnny Lee, "Looking for love in all the wrong places... looking for love in too many faces." I'll stop there. The point is: **Our world craves love, but they can't find fulfilling and lasting love.**

Love is also a frequent word in the Bible. The Bible uses the root word "love" over 500 times from Genesis through Revelation. Interestingly, for our purposes, the word love is used only twelve times in John 1-12, but in John 13-21 it is used forty-five times! Hence, in the last twenty-four hours of his life, Jesus uses the word love repeatedly. The closer He travels toward the cross, the more love is on His heart and mind. In John 13:31-38, Jesus suggests that the key to impacting the world is for Christians to love each other.

So why is the church having so little impact on society? We're not giving the world what it so desperately craves—love. Yet, the church ought to be Jesus' solution to the lack of true love in this world. We ought to be able to say, "Look for love in the right place."

Martin Luther King, Jr. famously said that "Peace is not the absence of war but the presence of justice." Our world changes when justice prevails. When we love one another - no matter who they are -- justice and peace become part of our reality. When we work for justice and equality we are fully living into the love we are commanded to show one to the other by Jesus.

This text of the Gospel today focuses on love but the justice piece for many is that **all** of Jesus' disciples will be known by their love of others (verses 34-35). For Jesus, love did not mean a sweet sentimental feeling. It meant action. It meant actively loving -- putting one's love into real world activities. This new commandment comes as part of a farewell address by Jesus to his followers. And he does this with a sense of tenderness and mercy.

Jesus makes plain his call to the disciples. "Let me give you a new command: Love one another. In the same way I loved you, you love one another. This is how everyone will recognize that you are my disciples -- when they see the love you have for each other" (verses 34-35). Ignoring this new commandment is not an option. Paul warns, "If I speak with the languages of men and of angels, but don't have love, I have become sounding brass, or a clanging cymbal,... If I dole out all my goods to feed the poor, and if I give my body to be burned, but don't have love, it profits me nothing." (1 Corinthians

13:1-3)

Perhaps next week, we might use the opportunity presented to us in this Gospel to refocus our minds and hearts **What is love for us? How do we live this high calling and do we, by our lives make it known that we are the disciples of Christ. Questions for us to ponder...**



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Welkom-Velkomin-Vitejte-Karibu-Croeso-Valkommen-Tervetuloa-Welcome*

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: John Curtin, Cahercalla Rd.
Sun 24th 9am: William & Teresa Clohessy, Drumcliffe.
 Ann Moriarty, Westfields.
 Joseph Keating, Connolly.
10.30am: Veronica Fenton, Ard na Gréine.
 Elizabeth (Lizzy) Neylon, Parnell St.
 John Feeney, St. Michael's Villas.
 Christopher Keane, Fergus Park.
 Paddy & Jane Coffey, McNamara Park.
 John Snr., John Jr. & Johanna Garvey, Cooper's Place.
12noon:Maureen O'Brien, Lmk. Rd & Milltown Malbay. **MM**
Mon 7.45am: Michael & Ellen O'Connell & deceased
 Murphy & O'Connell families, Old Military Barracks.
10am: Special Intention.
7.30pm: Albert O'Loughlin, Brighton & Ennis **MM** &
 John, Rachel & Dolores O'Loughlin & Terry O'Grady.
Tues:7.45am Book of Intentions.
10am: Ned Collins, St. Flannan's Tce.
7.30pm: Rita Kenny, Hermitage &
 Deceased Kenny & Enright families.
Wed:7.45am: Bridie & Joe Moroney, Inagh & Ennis.
10am: Monsignor Ignatius Murphy, Kilkee.
 Peter Boland & Mia Gallagher, Mullagh & Donegal.
7.30pm: No Mass in Cathedral
Seinn Post Primary School Concert.
Thurs: 7.45am: Special Intention.
10am: Pakie & Frances Eustace, Kilrush Rd.
7.30pm: Maura Brooks, College Park.
Fri:7.45am Mass for the People.
10am: Bridie & Michael O'Donovan, Limerick Rd.
7pm: Patrick Franks, Corrovorrin Ave. **1st Anniv**
8pm: Launch of Bishop Walsh's Book
Sat:10am: Sean Hanrahan, Feakle.
6.30pm:Josie Kerin, Templemaley, Barefield. **1st Anniv**
Sun 1st May 9am: Michael Coote, Commarket St.
 Michael Garry, Lissaniska. **1st Anniv**
 Francis Anthony McDonnell.
10.30am: Owen Linnane, Parnell St.
 Joe O'Sullivan, Hermitage.
 Chris Meaney, Limerick Rd.
 Marie Deegan, Ashfield House.
 Ruth Hanley, Willsgrove, Cahercalla.
12noon: Maura Tuohy, Clonroad. **1st Anniv**

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 1st May, 2016

Readers: Group 3

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 24th 9.30am: Michael Hoare, Morrissey Ave.
11am: Jimmy Frawley, Woodlawn, Lahinch Rd.
Mon 9.30am: Michael Costello, Cranny.
Tue 9.30am: . Book of Intentions.
Fri 9.30am: John Lynch, Mullagh.
7.30pm: Bene Merenti Award, Mary Corey.
Sun 1st May 9.30am: Teresa Nugent, Cusack Rd.
11am: Eugene White, Mungret & Considine Rd.

Hospital & Sick Calls

24th April, 2016

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Brendan Quinlivan

Please call: 065 6869098

Wednesday: 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.



Seinn Celebration Event



Wednesday, 27th April 2016

The Cathedral of
 Saints Peter and Paul, Ennis
 7.30pm

Join second-level students and parish choirs from our diocese, as they join together to celebrate the music from the Seinn 2016 programme, as well as pieces associated with the Year of Mercy. All are welcome! With Mr. Ian Callinan as Musical Director, it promises to be a wonderful night. Admission is **FREE** with a retiring collection.



1st Saturday devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima, in Cathedral next Sat. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with Confessions, Rosary and Benediction, after 10am Mass.

Date for Your Diary
Mass and Anointing for people with disabilities and chronic illnesses:

Ennis Cathedral Wednesday 25th May 2pm. Chief celebrant and homilist Fr. Tom Hogan PP.



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: Barry Coughlan, Corrovorrin Grove.
Sun 24th 10am: Paul Glynn, Hilltop, Corrovorrin. **MM**
11.30am: Joe Conway, Corrovorrin Drive.
Mon 11am: Nuala Gallagher, Sligo.
Tues 11am: Eddie Worrell, London.
Wed 11am: Barry family, Emlagh & Lynch family, Kilmaley.
Thu 11am: Lynch family, Shannon Park &
 Malone & Ryan families, Newpark.
Fri 11am:Mullen, Kennedy & Kelly family, Mayo & Connolly.
Sat 11am: William Turner, The Green, Lifford.
Sat 7pm: Bernadette Kelly, Clonroadmore.
Sun 1st May 8am: Joan & Patrick Barry.
10am: Denis McInerney, Shannon Park.
11.30am: Anthony & deceased Forde Family,
 Birmingham & Roscommon.
 Donors' Intention.

Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) takes place Sunday 1st May; 5.30pm; St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



Reflection for the Year of Mercy

'Be compassionate just as your Father is compassionate' Luke 6:36
 We are now approaching the half-way point in the Year of Mercy called by Pope Francis. The motto 'Merciful like the Father' invites us to follow the merciful example of our heavenly Father. God is rich in His mercy towards me, and He gives me everything that I need in my life.

He created the whole world for me because God loves me and all people. I turn to Him each morning when I wake up and thank him for His beautiful creation. He gives me everything I need because of His enormous love. His Mercy encourages me to be merciful to others, to forgive and love my husband, my family, friends and neighbours. God, please help me to love and be merciful to all. Don't let my reason get in the way. Send me your Holy Spirit.

Barbara Krawczyk



Rest in Peace



Abby O'Keefe (née Heaslip), Dublin; Bridget Kerin nee Butler, Dalcassian Ave; **Mary Crowe**, Cree, mother of Marian Fitzpatrick, College Green; **Kathleen Leyden nee Murphy**, Clancy Pk., & late Inch; **Baby Lily Cleary**, Woodhaven; **Jimmy Ryan**, Greystones, Co. Wicklow & formerly Ennis, brother of Noreen Doohan, Kincora Pk., & Mary Moloney, Clarecastle; **Marie Finlay**, Belfast, sister of Raymond McNally, Cahercalla; **Louis Clune**, New York, formerly Cloughleigh & Lissycasey;

*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.*



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

Clare Branch of the Irish Kidney Association West Clare Walk, Sunday May 1st, Registration from 2pm starting at 3pm Sharp leaving the Square, Kilrush via Aylevaroo, Cappa and finishing back in Kilrush. Sponsorship cards available 087 9392148/ 086 0854834.



Pray and Play takes place every Sunday morning at 12p.m. in the chapter room at the Cathedral. This is a great opportunity for young people aged up to and including Communion classes to explore their faith in a fun, safe and supervised environment. We would invite you to come along and see what we do!! Every Sunday, 12p.m. in the Chapter Room.

Maranatha Prayer Ministry Friday evening 22nd April; 8pm at the Millenium Centre, Raheen, Limerick, Sebastian Sales and Team will give talk and there will be beautiful praise and worship music and song. All Welcome.

Clare Parkinson's Support Group Next meeting Friday 29th April; Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus at 10am. These informal meetings provide a chance for people to talk and discuss worries and experiences. The meeting includes a presentation by a guest speaker, such as a healthcare professional or complementary therapist. Activities that assist people such as Yoga, Dance, Occupational Therapy or Tai Chi generally form part of the get together - and there is the social aspect with time to enjoy a coffee or tea and a home baked scone! For further information, contact 087 415 8430

Street collection for an Cat Dubh Sanctuary on Thu 28th April. Please support

Air/Coach Tour to Lake Gardia & Venice. October 11th, 6 nights, 7days from Dublin now booking. For booking & inquiries contact Sr. Annette Sexton: 087 9247025

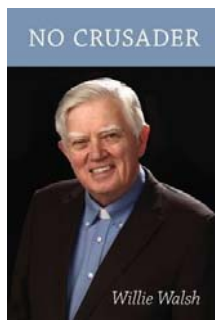
Clare Youth Information Service are holding a CV/Interview Skills workshop for young people aged 15+. The workshop will take place in Ennis at The Junction, Cloughleigh Rd., April 27th 5pm-6.30pm If you would like to register for this workshop please text or call Trish Flynn on 085-8726293 or 065-6845350



Live the Word:

Looking after yourself first is often what we put last! You need to choose yourself as a very important priority in your life because when you put yourself number one, everything else will benefit from it!!

Launch of Bishop Willie Walsh's book



Ennis Cathedral
Friday 29th April
8pm

and afterwards to Maria Assumpta Hall for get together . 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.

(Note change of date)

Alzheimer's tea morning in Community Centre Chapel Lane on Wed April 27th from 10.30am –12noon. All donations to Alzheimer's Association of Ireland. All Welcome.

Massive Sale of Work to be held on Friday and Saturday 29th and 30th April from 10am daily. Lots of items for sale including ladies' and gents' clothing (some new). Also electrical items and bric a brac. Sale will be held at end of Parnell Street adjacent to Ennis Electrical Shop. All proceeds will go to Amaan Orphanage in Dares Salaam, Tanzania. The organisers of Sale have visited this same orphanage and have seen the great work which is being carried out there.

Ennis Community games athletics, Lees Rd. Mon 25th April U 12/14/16, Tue 26th U6/8/10. Registration each night 5-6pm sharp. No late registration.

Gardening being a great part of our Irish heritage and culture, Clare Garden Festival wants to inspire one and all to embrace its slogan 'Growing through Gardening' this year. A treat for Gardeners and a great family day out, the festival takes place again on Sunday, 24th April at Ennis Showgrounds. More details from www.claregardenfestival.com

'Climate Change & Me' Conference

Ireland's leading expert on climate science, Professor John Sweeney, is to speak at a one-day conference on climate change at Knock Shrine on Saturday April 30th. The event – called Climate Change and Me – takes place in the Rest & Care Centre, Knock. The event begins at 10am and the cost of registration is €10. An event well worth attending for anyone who cares about our environment and our world.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Naomh Marcas

Ceiliúrtar féile Naomh Marcas an soiscéalaí ar 25 Aibreán. Bhí sé ina chúntóir ag Naomh Peadar agus chabhraigh sé le Naomh Pól freisin agus luann sé é ina litir chuig na Colasaeigh. Bhunaigh sé An Eaglais in Alastair sa bhliain 42 AD. De réir na saoihe liteartha ba é Marcas an soiscéal is luaithe cé gur ceapadh ar feadh roinnt mhaith blianta gur achoimre ar shoiscéal Mhata é. Ach de réir scoláirí an lae inniu ní mar sin atá ach gur scríbhneoir neamhspleách, tréitheach, oílte cumasach ab ea é. Scríobh sé don phobal measctha inar mhair sé, Críostaithe de chúlra Gintlioch agus Giúdach. Ba é an cuspóir a bhí aige ná a phobal a dhlúthú le chéile. Theastaigh ón soiscéalaí a mhúineadh dóibh gurbh é Íosa bonn an aontais agus go mba chóir go n-aontódh a gcreideamh iad mar chlann Íosa. Cuireann Marcas in iúl ina shoiscéal gurbh É Íosa an Meisias agus gur an Tiarna aiséiríthe cloch bhoinn chreideamh Críostaí. Tá an bua i ndán don Chríostaí dílis dar leis. B'fhíú seal a chaitheamh ag léamh caibidil den soiscéal ar a lá fhéile ar an Luan.

A Thiarna, soilsigh ár n-aigne is ár gcroí. Aimeán.

Saint Mark

The feast of St. Mark the Evangelist is celebrated on the 25th April. He was assistant of St. Peter and also helped St. Paul who mentioned him in his Letter to the Colossians. He founded the Church in Alexandria in 42 AD. According to literary experts Mark's was the first gospel to be written although at first it was thought to be a summary of Matthew's Gospel. Modern scholars do not concur with this opinion but consider Mark an independent, accomplished, skilled and able evangelist. He wrote for the people among whom he lived, Christians from Jewish and Gentile traditions. His aim was to unite the community. He taught that Jesus is the foundation of Christianity and their belief in Him united them in the Christian family. He tells us Jesus is the Messiah and the Risen Jesus is the corner stone of the Christian Faith. He taught that our faith will save us.

Lord, enlighten our minds and hearts. Amen

Preschool-located at Ennis National School - Free afternoon ECCE places from September 2016 time 12-3pm. Only a limited number of spaces left for children aged 3 and up.

Ennis Parish Pilgrimage to Poland: Friday 13th May to Friday 20th May. One twin room remaining on this pilgrimage for person willing to share room. Contact Mary: 0871247669 details and booking form.

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGE ex SHANNON: MAY 25th for 7 nights. Spiritual Director: Fr Gerard Fitzgerald. Group Leader: Kathleen Lee. Cost: €659. Kathleen will be happy to answer enquiries at 086 1031508

Pro-Life Action Now are seeking adults (over 18) of all ages to join us in our street session for an hour or an hour and a half each Friday. Rota may be set up. Contact Maria at 087 621 7702 or Josephine at 085 279 2077.

RTE All Ireland Drama Finalists – Ennis Payers – stage The Loves of Cass McGuire; Glor Wed 27th April @ 8pm

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia

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 Acts of the Apostles Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through
Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put
fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging
them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have
to experience many hardships' they said
'before we enter the kingdom of God'. In
each of these churches they appointed
elders, and with prayer and fasting they
commended them to the Lord in whom they
had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached
Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word
at Perga they went down to Attalia and from
there sailed for Antioch, where they had
originally been commended to the grace of
God for the work they had now completed.
On their arrival they assembled the church
and gave an account of all that God had

done with them, and how he had opened
the door of faith to the pagans.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:
*I will bless your name for ever, O God
my King.*

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
Slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
Compassionate to all his creatures. *R.*

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
And your friends shall repeat their blessing.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign
And declare your might, O God.
To make known to men your mighty deeds
And the glorious splendour of your reign. *R.*

Yours is an everlasting Kingdom;
Your rule lasts from age to age. *R.*

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new
earth; the first heaven and the first earth
had disappeared now, and there was no
longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the
new Jerusalem, coming down from God out
of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all
dressed for her husband. Then I heard a
loud voice call from the throne, 'You see
this city? Here God lives among men. He
will make his home among them; they shall
be his people, and he will be their God; his
name is God-with-them. He will wipe away
all tears from their eyes; there will be no
more death, and no more mourning or
sadness. The world of the past has gone.'

Then the One sitting on the throne spoke:
'Now I am making the whole of creation
new.'

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
*Jesus said: 'I give you a new
commandment:
Love one another, just as I have loved you.'*
Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 13:31-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been
glorified,
and in him God has been glorified.
If God has been glorified in him,
God will in turn glorify him in
himself,
and will glorify him very soon.
My little children,
I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment:
love one another;
just as I have loved you,
you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one
another,
everyone will know that you are my
disciples.'

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

If you love me, keep my
commandments, says the Lord, and I
will ask the Father and he will send you
another Paraclete, to abide with you
For ever, alleluia