

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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Cathedral: - 6824043; Email: info@ennisparish.com

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

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

25th September 2016

Let Your Blessings Flow

There was a beautiful lake that lost its freshness. The water formerly had been clear. It was alluring to animals and people alike. But it became covered with a green scum. The farm animals became ill from drinking the water. Finally someone came by the lake who understood the problem. Debris collecting from the hard spring rains had stopped up the dam and prevented the free flow of water, not into the lake, but out of the lake. The spillway was cleared, and soon the lake was fresh and clean again. The flow in and out was necessary to keep the water pure!

Doesn't the same principle apply to you and me as human beings? The blessings of life flow to you and me, but we fail to realize that most of these blessings are not meant just to flow to us, but through us, for the good of others around us, especially for those in need.

In the Gospel reading today we have one of those sad stories -- even a somber story -- about a person who didn't keep things flowing in his life, with the result that his life became clogged and ended in tragedy.

We don't know the man's name as Jesus told this story. Jesus simply called him "the rich man." We may take that to mean that the man was richly blessed. A lot of life's blessings had flowed to this man. But it seems that very few of those blessings flowed through him, reaching other people.



As we prepare to welcome a new Bishop today we pray that he may be a conduit of God's choicest blessings to all of the people he will serve.

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

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Michael Hayes, Loughville. 1st Anniv Sun 25th: 9am: John & Bridget McCormack.

Brighid McGarry, Ard na Greine.1st Anniv 10.30am: Jason Wood, Connolly Villas.

Tom, Ann & David Fitzhenry, Limerick.

John Corey, Loughville. Kathleen Kelly, College Rd. Joan Dargan, Limerick Rd.

Mary Burke, Park Avenue, Clonroad. Paddy & Ciss Hanrahan, St. Michael's Villas.

12noon: Raymond Hoey, Abbeycourt, Limerick Rd.MM

Mon: 7.45am: Michael Casey, Turnpike Rd. 10am: Paddy Mongan, Stonecourt.

7.30pm: Michael & Mary Mahony, Parnell St.

Tues:7.45am Book of Intentions. 10am: John & Kitty Considine, Clare Rd. 7.30pm: Joseph Keane, Summerhill. Wed:7.45am: Moyra Lynch, Mullagh. 10am: Kelly & Davis Families. 7.30pm: Carmel O'Reilly, Clare Rd.

Thurs: 7.45am: Francis Anthony McDonnell,

Phillippines & Cathedral Court.

10am: Tom & Rita Brown, Fergus Drive, Shannon. 7.30pm: Patrick, Elizabeth, Amelia Cahill, Cahercalla Est.

Fri:7.45am Mass for the People.

10am: Eugene & Seamus Curley, Limerick Rd. 7.30pm: Bernadette Coote, McNamara Pk. MM Sat:10am: Patrick & Josephine Kelly, Ard na Greine. 6.30pm: Patrick Shannon, Dalcassian Park. MM

Sun 2nd Oct: 9am: Special Intention. 10.30am: Mary Burke, Ennis & Galway.

Rosaleen & Vincent Finn, Ennis & Galway. Fursie O'Connor, Gallows Hill.

Joan & Cyril Callinan, Deerpark, Kilmurray.

Anne Mangan, Turnpike Rd. 12noon: Mass for the People.

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 2nd October, 2016

Readers: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 3 **Eucharistic Ministers Sunday:** Group 2





Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week: Sun 9.30am: Nancy & Austin Mooney, Cornmarket St.

11am: P.J. O'Donnell.

Tue 9.30am: .Book of Intentions.

Wed 9.30am: Timothy & Mgt O'Brien, Claureen Dr.

Fri 9.30am: Opening of School Year.

Sun 9.30am: Enrolment Mass for 1st Holy Communion.



Rest in Peace

Gerry Clune, Quin, brother in law of Jean McCarthy, Ardlea Rd; Mary

Sexton, Miltown Malbay, mother of Jerry Sexton, Loughville; Aodhan Kelly, College Green; Astrid Flynn, Corrovorrin Ave;

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.

Hospital & Sick Calls

2nd October, 2016 Priest on Duty:

Fr. Ger Fitzgerald

Please Call: 065 6869098 Wednesday:

Fr. Brendan Quinlivan Please Call: 065 6869098



Friary News

First Saturday is October 1st. The Rosary is ongoing in the Erica Control

in the Friary Church, Francis St after 10am Mass. Please come and pray with us. Everyone welcome. "Prayer is a weapon".

The next meeting of the Secular Franciscan order will be held at the Friary on Wednesday 5th October; 10am and St. Anthony's hall at 7.30pm.

Visitation Team meeting on 10.45am Wednesday 28th September in Parish Centre.

Pray and Play will Play resume in the Chapter Room; October 2nd; 12noon. All children up Communion classes are welcome to come and explore their faith in a fun and well supervised environment. Parental Consent required.

St Vincent de Paul, Ennis, are looking for a donation of a guitar and a cello. Maybe you have one at home that would love a new active life with young aspiring musicians. Please drop the instruments into Ennis Parish Office. Thank you!

The Killaloe Diocese Justice and Peace committee is proud to present a talk entitled "The scriptural Roots of Justice". The talk will be delivered by Sr. Sheila Curran, CORI/IMU Justice Coordinator. Sr. Sheila has vast experience in this field and her talk is sure to be educational and inspiring. We look forward to seeing you on September 29th at 8pm in the Parish Hall in Ennis. All welcome.

Newly Baptised



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

Walter Canavan; Aoibheann Mary Crowley; Ciarán Kevin Pio Dwyer; Julian Galant; Jurgis Zacharevicius

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: Chrissie Kearney, St Jude's, Kincora Pk. Sun 10am: Anne Fox & Pat Mc Inerney, Corrovorrin Gn. 11.30am: Tommy McGann, Drumcliffe Rd. MM Mon 11am: Miceál O'Loughlin, Corrovorrin Grove. Tues 11am: Margaret & Tom Crowe, Lahinch. Thu 11am: Eithne & dec'd Carey & O'Neill's, Pine Gr. Sat 11am: Sean & Brendan Mullarkey, College Green. 7pm:Martin (Monty) Keane, St. Senan's Rd.1st Anniv Sun 2nd Oct 10am: Mary & Fiachra Barrett, Mayo. 11.30am: Peter Norton, Dundalk. MM

Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) takes place on Sunday 2nd October 2016 at 5.30pm in St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



Anniversary Mass for Susanne McNeill, Late of Clancy Park and Miltown Malbay in Cahercalla Community Chapel on Saturday 1st October at 10.30am

1st Saturday Devotions



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

Reflection for the **Year of Mercy**



This Year of Mercy is helping me to be more aware that I am a sinner, guilty of personal sin and sharing in the sinfulness of our society. It is also helping me to realize that our God is mercy, forgiveness and love and he takes away my sinfulness once I turn to him. I have learned that I am invited to be merciful, forgiving and loving to others and especially to anyone who has hurt and indeed to be loving, merciful and forgiving to myself. This latter is, for me, perhaps the most difficult of all.

If you truly wish to experience the true value of the Year of Mercy can I suggest that you would endeavour to set aside 10-15 minutes to sit in the Mercy Room at the back of the cathedral? The movie there gives a real feel fore the year that is in it and allows one to develop a sense of the importance of mercy both personally and communally.

Bishop Emeritus Willie Walsh.



Míle Buíochas!

Fr Ger, Patricia Blake and friends who cycled 119k for the Alzheimer Society last Saturday.

Trad Music Classes — Teacher available to teach Pipes, Flute & Tin Whistle to beginners & more advanced students at your home or teacher's home. Phone Barry: 085 714 4969.

Burren Ramble for the Lifeboats: Burren ramble for the RNLI Lifeboats Sunday 25th September. Mullaghmore is this year's chosen ramble through the Burren. Parking in James Howard's field at the foot of the mountain at 11.45am for 12.30pm start. Bring suitable weather gear and a packed lunch. Info from 0876260301.

The Rock Run & Walk 5k this Thursday September 29th at 6.30pm starting from the rock in Scoil Chríost Rí Cloughleigh schoolyard. Register from 5pm at the school. Adults €10 or Families €20. Refreshments after.Come and join us in the Rock Run/Walk in aid of Scoil Chríost Rí Cloughleigh.

Ennis Old Folks' Club will resume their fortnightly meetings in Ennis Community Centre on Chapel Lane at 8:00p.m. on Monday, September 26th. If you are over 65 and find the winter evenings long, you are very welcome to come and join us for bingo, music, chat and friendship. We look forward to welcoming you.

Readings for Ennis Players upcoming 3-Act production (The Colleen Bawn) will take place in the old Ground Hotel at 8pm on Tue. 27th & Wed. 28th Sept. and for the 1-Act productions for Supper Theatre on Tue. Oct. 4th. For further information contact 087 064 1191.

Conference & Reflection on 'Ecology & the Fourth Gospel'; speaker Dr. Mgt. Daly Denton at Redemptorists' Conference Hall, SCR, Limerick 087 299 5004

Mindfulness 8 week Health Education Programme for Stress at Clare Education Centre, Kilrush Road, starting on 28th September on Wednesdays 7.30-9.30 and including one full day retreat at Bridget's Gardens Galway on Sunday 13th November. Contact 065 6845500 or 0860688377

Live the Word: A candle lighting is a symbol of hope. It reminds you to trust when you worry, be brave when you fear and reassure when you doubt. Light a candle put your intention in the flicker of the flame and trust as you go.

Clare Roots Society this week launches their latest booklet in Ennis Shops and Parish Office with the publication of An Ennis Parish Camino. Pilgrims from all over the world have walked the Camino de Santiago in



Spain. To mark the 2015 Year of Consecrated Life in the parish over the years, the Parish of Ennis, had its own 'Camino' journey of pilgrimage on the first Sunday in June 2015. The booklet written by Sr. Canice Hanrahan RSM, puts to print the details associated with the journey from Corrovorrin in the north to Cahercalla in the south of the town and recalls the events from 1240 to the present. Booklet on sale: €4.

St. Flannan's Parents' Association are holding their AGM on Monday 26th September 2016 at 8.15pm. Room 2 beside Reception. All welcome to attend.

Second Annual Clare Garda Division Youth Awards. The purpose of these awards is to recognise the positive and valuable contribution of young people to their communities in the Clare Garda Division. We are seeking nominees of deserving young persons from the ages of 14 to 19. Completed forms to be returned to the Community Policing Office at Ennis Garda Station, by 30th September 2016. Forms can be downloaded from www.garda.ie or shannonairport.ie or at your local Garda Station. Any queries contact the Community Policing Office at Ennis Garda Station on 065 6848164 or email to sandra.m.heelan@garda.ie.

Irish classes continuing in Cois na hAbhna every Monday 7-8pm €60 for 10 week course (course started 19th September). Limited places still available. All levels of Irish welcome. Further information – Clár as Gaeilge 065-6864474

Ennis Tidy Towns invite you to the 2nd workshop aimed at finalising the Biodiversity Action Plan for Ennis Town. We are hosting the workshop on Wed September 28 at 7:30pm at Waterpark House. All Tidy Towns groups and community associations around the county welcome so make sure to spread the word!

To celebrate **Positive Ageing Week**, the Health & Wellness Centre, Carrigoran are delighted to host a Tea Dance on Friday 30th September from 14:30-16:30. Spot prizes & raffle will be held! ALL WELCOME! Cost €5.00

Ennis Parish Development Fund for Sunday 18th September: €7,023

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Easpag Nua

Oirneofar an tAth. Fiontán Ó Monacháin mar Easpag Chill Dá Lua inniu. Cuirimid fearadh na fáilte roimhe le comhghairdeas croíúil. Guímid gach rath air agus é ag tabhairt faoina dhualgais an-dúshlánacha. Is é seo a leanas an phaidir ón mbéaloideas is ansa leis, ar son duine atá ag dul i mbun feachtas nua.

In ainm an Athar le bua, In ainm an Mhic a d'fhulaing an phian,

In ainm an Spiorad Naoimh le neart, Muire is a Mac linn inár dtriall. Áiméan.

Ceiliúrtar Lá Fhéile Muire na Trócaire ar an 24 Meán Fómhair. Lá mór comóraidh is ea é do Shiúracha na Trócaire in Éirinn agus ar fud an domhain. Guímis ar a son agus iad ag saothrú agus ag moladh Dé lá i ndiaidh lae. Guímis freisin ar son a gcomhpháirtithe agus aon duine a bhí bainteach riamh le Siúracha na Trócaire. Go raibh siad dílis dá ngairm. Áiméan

A Mhaighdean ghlórmhar, a Mháthair Dé, A bhean ab uaisle de gach cine Is atá diongbháilte i ngach moladh, Déan idirghuí ar ár son I bhfianaise do Mhic ghráúil féin, Le súil go bhfaighimis an ghlóir shíoraí i d'aice. Áiméan.

Father Fintan Monahan will be ordained bishop of Killaloe today. We warmly welcome and congratulate him. We pray many blessings on him as he undertakes his very challenging duties. This is an ancient Irish prayer for one undertaking a new post:

In the name of the virtue of the Father, In the name of the suffering of the Son, In the name of the power of the Holy Spirit, May Mary and her Son be with us on our journey. Amen

The feast of Our Lady of Mercy is celebrated on the 24 September. It is a great day of celebrations for Sisters of Mercy in Ireland and all over the world. We pray for them and for all those associated with them that they may be faithful to their calling:

Glorious Virgin, Mother of God, Noble woman of womankind Worthy of all praise Intercede for us With your loving Son That we may be with you in glory for eternity. Amen.

Cuan an Chlair—Sale of work for our Elderly Day Care Centre Shop now open Tuesdays 10am until 1pm and Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. and Saturday from 10am until 3pm. Shop located on the grounds of the Cathedral. Please support our Elderly Day Care Centre.

Garden Fete in the grounds of Our Lady's Hospital, Gort Rd on Sunday October 2nd; 2pm. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Sacred Stillness: A Day to explore the inner journey with John Doherty. Sat, Oct 8th; St Joseph's Abbey, Roscrea 10am to 4.30pm. Organised by Killaloe Diocesan Spirituality Group. Booking essential. Contact Anthony Lenihan 086 616 3492; Fr Donough O' Meara 087 232 2140; Maureen Kelly 087 289 0942;

The 'Rocky Ramble', a fun for all charity walk in aid of the Clare Alzheimer's Society Day Centre Saturday, 1st Oct, registration in the Eire Og clubhouse; 11am. Contact ASI office: 065 6868621 for full details.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

All that you have done to us, O Lord, You have done with true judgement, For we have sinned against you And not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

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 prophet Amos

Amos 6:1.4-7

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria.

Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R**.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R**.

He upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy. 1 Tm 6:11-16

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord,

I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke. Lk 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied, "remember that during your life good things

came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham, "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man, "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise 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

By this we came to know the love of God; that Christ laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for one another.