

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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2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

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3rd April 2016

An Easter Reflection

The second Sunday of Easter- is designated Divine Mercy Sunday. St. John Paul 11 said 'It is the Sunday of thanksgiving for all the goodness God has shown us in the whole Easter Mystery' The Feast was extended to the Catholic Church by him on April 30, 2000, the day that he canonized a young Polish nun Saint Maria Faustina.

Her message is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness.

A Reflection on Mary

She expected the grave closed and sealed. She found it was open, the stone had been rolled. She expected a body undisturbed on a ledge. She found discarded clothes instead. She expected to find Jesus cold and dead. She found Him alive instead.

God surprised Mary, the first Easter morn. Turned the world and her life upside down. Changed fear to joy, tears to laughter; promising life for all now and hereafter. She found Jesus alive and risen; so she shared that Good News with the living.

What were you expecting this Easter? What have you found?

We are an Easter people



May Alleluia be our song to live, love, and work as people gifted with resurrection (Author Unknown)

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

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Michael Reddan, Waterpark Hgts. & Beechpark. MM Sun 3rd: 9am: Nurse Kathleen Duggan, Ennis.

Bridget Guilfoyle, Hermitage. Thomas & Ellen Cleary, Co. Mayo.

10.30am: Mary Keane, Clancy Park. Paddy Kennedy, Parnell St. Jim Kitson, Claureen Drive.

Seamus A. O'Reilly, Abbeyville. Colm Casey, Beechpark.

John McMullen, McNamara Park.

John & Darragh O'Halloran, Ard na Gréine.

12noon: Mary Lucey 1st Anniv & Tom Lucey, Cusack Rd. Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan, Woodlands. 1st Anniv.

Mon: 7.45am: Br. Niall McCarthy, Killarney. **10am:** Josephine & Patrick Kelly, Ard na Greine.

7.30pm: Martin Higgins, Clancy Park. Tues: 7.45am Book of Intentions.

10am: Elizabeth Guilfoyle, Linnane's Tce. 7.30pm: Michael & Mary Kate Griffin, Parnell St. Wed:7.45am: Jack & Deborah McCarthy, Killarney. 10am: Belle & Josie Broderick, Ardlea Rd.

7.30pm: Deceased White & Callinan Families, Clare Rd.

Thurs:7.45am: Donors' Intentions. 10am: John & Mary O'Looney, Kilfenora. 2pm: Rhianna Keenan, Drumbiggle. 1st Anniv

7.30pm: Sylvester Keane, Garraunakilla, Upr Market St.

Fri:7.45am: Mass for the People.

10am: Stephen Malone Jr., Dalcassian Drive.

7.30pm: Sláinte an Chláir Mass.

Sat:10am: Doris & Gerry Molloy, Hermitage. 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.

12noon: John Sullivan, Gallows Hill. MM Frances Butler, Claureen, Lahinch Rd. MM

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 10th April, 2016

Readers: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 3

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 1





Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week: Sun 3rd 9.30am: Joan Summerly, Brookville.

11am: Flan Cassidy, Cusack Rd. Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions. Wed 9.30am: Edward Baker, Hermitage.

Sun10th 9.30am: Austin Connole, Shalee, Lahinch Rd. Do This In Memory—Scoil Chriost Rí

11am: Jim Organ, Loughville.

Hospital & Sick Calls

3rd April, 2016 Priest on Duty:

> Fr. Dariusz Plasek Please call: 065 6869098 Wednesday:

Fr. Tom O'Gorman 065 6869098

Divine Mercy Sunday April 3rd 2pm **Ennis Cathedral**



Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy. To pay homage and to invoke Almighty God's infinite gift to Mankind His Mercy: Divine Mercy Devotions, Confessions, and Holy Mass.

Newly Baptised



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

Jane Nihill: Mila Valentina Finn:

Rest in Peace

Margaret Lynch, Clonadrum, Mullagh and Victoria Court, Ennis, mother of Mena Walsh, Victoria Court:

Albert O'Loughlin, Brighton & Ennis, brother of Martha McEnery, Dalcassian Pk;

Paul Glynn, Hilltop, Corrovorrin & formerly Clonroad;

James Conlish, Racepark, Headford, Co. Galway, father of Jimmy Conlisk, College Park & Ann Sanz, Glenina;

Mary Farrell, Lanesborough, Co Longford, mother of Ann Tiernan, Shanaway Rd;

Kathleen McKaigney, mother of Tom, Loughville;



Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near; still loved, still missed and very

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: Shirley McNevin, Corrovorrin Green. Sun 3rd 10am: Aaron Haugh, Corrovorrin &

Paddy Haugh, Kincora Park.

11.30am: Martin Ridge, Connolly.1st Anniv. Mon 11am: Patrick & Michael Cleary, Clancy Park. Tues 11am: Joan Gordan, Market St. & England. Wed 11am: Jim McLoughlin, Ard na Greine. Thu 11am: Gerald Rooney, London.

Fri 11am: James O'Halloran, Carrahan, Tulla. 8.30pm: Mary Ryan, Barefield & Ballinasloe. MM Sat 11am: Frank Markham, New Road.

7pm: Joe Skelly, New Rd.

Kathleen Reilly, Corrovorrin Crescent. MM Sun 10th 8am: Tom & Mae Miniter, Kincora Park. 10am: Denis & Bridie Greer, Shannon Park.

Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite) takes place on Sunday 3rd April 5.30pm in St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



Reflection for Year of Mercy



Parents play the teachers' role, Telling kids what's right and wrong. Making them aware of what hurts and what is pain. If my mother taught the sky, If it had feelings, and a heart, It would have mercy, and rain in drought. Sometimes if untaught, it is woken up, By the natural instinct hidden inside, Which makes you understand, Certain things are morally not right. Although stronger bigger and faster, You show that you are a master, By restricting and limiting the powers That you may have over others. It is having your love stronger, Than hate and anger, although that's so much harder, The way you want the water, peaceful and free, Steering your mind like a boat on calm sea Transferred on to humans by philanthropy. The desire of peace and altruistic help, To those who are unfortunate. Feeling affection and sympathy Regardless the reason of agony.

Joanna

Dates for your Diary

- Blessing of Babies: Cathedral 17th April 2.30pm
- Blessing of Expectant parents: Cathedral 20th April 8pm

The ACIES (Consecration to Our Lady) Ceremony for active and auxiliary members of the Legion of Mary will be held in Ennis Cathedral on Thursday, 7th April after the 7.30pm Mass. ALL are welcome.



Mercy at the Movies for this month takes place in the Pastoral Centre on Friday next 8th April at 8pm. This month's film is a French Canadian production called "Jesus of Montreal" and tells the story of an idealistic young actor who updates a passion play for a modern audience. The actors soon find that the life of Christ has an impact on their real life existence. Join us for pictures and pizza on Friday night. This film is classified for a mature audience

A reminder: The Second Faith Friends' evening for the Holy Family Confirmation Students in the Parish is this coming Tuesday April 5th; 7-8pm. This coming together is a learning and growing faith experience of both the children making confirmation and the St. Flannan's students who are journeying with them. Their third and last evening is on Tuesday 12th. The parish programme organizers thank you for your support and encouragement.

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul shop at 84 Parnell Street Ennis, is holding an event consisting of a Pop-up-shop. It will be a spring fashion extravaganza where lots of beautiful clothes, shoes, fancy bric-a-brac and many more items will be on sale at amazing prices. The event will commence at 12noon - 5pm on Friday 8th April, and from 10am - 5pm Saturday 9th April. There will be raffles and spot prizes throughout the day. All proceeds will be distributed amongst our visitation conferences throughout the county and will be used to assist those people in need of assistance. We would greatly appreciate donations of new or good quality clothing for the event, also any spot prizes would be appreciated very much.



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

2 pilgrimages to Medjugorje will leave from Shannon this September: 7th-14th & 14th-21st. €699 Spiritual Directors Frs. Tom O'Gorman & Paddy Conway. Tel Jimmy 9059328 or 085 7385385. 10 places left on 1st pilgrimage.

Winner Cuan Easter Hamper: CUAN Bernie Neylon, Kilmaley.

Rising against cancer 48hr fast in Ennis on April 7th. Candle light procession to Cathedral on April 8th at 6.30pm followed by commemoration mass and concert. Admission to concert by donation. All proceeds to Sláinte an Chláir, Clare Cancer Support. Tel 0876912396.'



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 newlybuilt 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

Ennis Tidy Towns: This is the week to plan to paint boundary walls. It makes such a difference to the appearance and first impression of the town as one drives through. Contact us at info@ennistidytowns.com.

Cycle Against Suicide 2016: This year, over 7,000 cyclists are expected to take part in Cycle Against Suicide, travelling over 1,100km around the island of Ireland in 14 days. The Cycle begins in Phoenix Park, Dublin Sunday, April 24th and visits a number of towns across the island; returning to Dublin Saturday, May 7th. Full details of the route and how to register is available at www.cycleagainstsuicide.com.

Taizé Prayer: Our monthly gathering praying the songs of Taizé, Short Scripture Reading, reflective quiet time. Church of Our Lady, Roslevan 7.45pm. All welcome, and welcome to bring a friend.

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

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

An Dara Domhnach den Cháisc/ Domhnach Thrócaire Dé

Tá Íosa aiséirithe ó mharbh agus tá áthas agus lúcháir chroí orainn. Tá ár Slánaitheoir ina rí ar an dúlra agus ina rí ar an gcruthú. Tá Sé inár measc ag fógairt arís agus arís eile go bhfuil lá na fuascailte tagtha. 'Síocháin daoibh!' a dúirt Íosa leis na deisceabail gach uair a tháinig sé ina measc. Go raibh síocháin inár gcroí de shíor.

Inniu Domhnach Thrócaire Dé, féile a thionscain an Pápa Naomh Eoin Pól II sa bhliain 2000 mar thoradh ar fhís a bhí ag an tSiúr Phólannach Faustina Kowalsk. In aitheasc don fhéile seo sa bhliain 2001 dúirt an Naomh go mba cheart dúinn ár n-amharc a thabhairt ar Chríost le bheith deimhin go bhfuil sé inár dteannta, ag tabhairt uchtaigh dúinn. Do gach aon duine, deir Críost Aiséirithe: 'Ná bíodh eagla ort. Fuair mé bás ar an gCros ach táim anois beo go deo'. Dúirt Íosa leis an tSiúr Faustina lá amháin: 'Ní bheidh síocháin ag an gcine daonna go deo go dtí go gcasfaidh siad chugamsa le muinín as mo thrócaire'. Trócaire Dé! Seo é an bronntanas a fhaigheann an Eaglais ó Chríost aiséirithe agus a thairgeann sí don chine daonna".

Guímis 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.

Jesus has risen from the dead and we rejoice. Our Saviour is king of all creation. He is among us declaring again and again that our salvation is here. "Peace be with you", Jesus said to His disciples each time He came among them. May we always enjoy peace.

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. Pope St. John Paul II initiated this feast in 2000 as a result of a vision experienced by Sister Faustina Kowalska of Poland .In his address on this feast in 2001Saint John Paul 11 said, "we ought to reflect on Christ and be aware that He is always present to us ,protecting us. To each person the Risen Jesus says "Do not be afraid .I died on the cross but I am alive." This is the gift the Church receives from the Risen Jesus. Jesus told Sister Faustina "that humanity would have no peace until they met Jesus and trusted in God's mercy". This is the gift the Church receives from the Risen Jesus.

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.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration:

the bi-monthly Meeting of Contact Persons / Co -ordinators, is taking place this coming

Wednesday evening April 6th., at 8.05pm, in the Chapter Room behind the Sacristy (usual location). We look forward to each Contact Person's cooperation and presence.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, 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 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon.

No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily.

So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past.

People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response:

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His love has no end.

Let the people of Israel say:
'His love has no end'
Let the children of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.'

R

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord: we rejoice and are glad.

O Lord, grant us salvation;
O Lord grant success.
Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. *R*

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse Apo 1:9-13.17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure.

I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp - stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One.

I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld.

Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.