



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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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) 3rd July 2016

Croagh Patrick— The Pilgrim Way

A recently published book of the late John O'Donohue entitled *Walking on the Pastures of Wonder* is a wonderful illustration of how we walk the path of life because all the major events are really encounters with our human experience. Journeying is always opening up new visions, new moments and old memories, all worthy of reflection. The path of life is really a pilgrimage that pans out our lifetime.

The old age custom of visiting holy places, wells, Mass rocks and shrines has prevailed over the years in Ireland and is very much part of our Christian tradition and it recalls places of spiritual significance and practices of an older generation.

In our own Diocese of Killaloe, we have many places of worship such as Clare Abbey, Killone, St. John's Well, the Franciscan Abbey, Ennis, Quin Abbey and Scattery Island. These are places of historical renown and a testimony to those who lived by their example in former times and are now enshrined in the annals of history. Every townland, Parish retains the practice of visiting and praying at them at certain days of the year. In many of these places, plaques and other structures mark the place as a reminder to recall the heroic sacrifices of our ancestors.

Croagh Patrick which is internationally renowned as a place of pilgrimage has over the years witnessed thousands climbing the sacred mountain on the last Sunday of July. Many undertake the pilgrimage commemorating the memory

of St. Patrick who had himself ascended the mountain as a penance and offered the sacrifice of the Mass on the summit. In recent years a mini 'Camino' takes place while walking the sacred route from Ballintubber Abbey to the Mountain.

We are told that an elderly man has climbed the reek thirty-eight times. Most people make the ascent by way of penance; others in thanksgiving for favours received and some others for adventure. It is edifying to see young and old making the ascent barefoot even in very inclement weather conditions. There is always that sense of accomplishment on reaching the summit where prayers and the Eucharist is celebrated and many people availing of the opportunity for the Sacrament of Penance.



In recent times many groups from overseas take part in the pilgrimage as part of their visit to Ireland. Family members also make the climb in memory of their deceased parents. The pilgrimage is no easy task and it takes approximately three hours to reach the summit depending on age and weather conditions. The unforgettable view from the summit on a fine day is breath taking as Clew Bay glistens below in the shadows of the surrounding landscape. Although the descent is less arduous, it can be dangerous as the pilgrims wind their way down the slopes having accomplished another hall mark in veneration of the patron Saint of Ireland.

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Michael Downey, Ennis & London. MM
Bernie Killeen, Clonroadbeg. MM

Sun 3rd: 9am: Special Intention.

10.30am: Paddy Singleton, Hermitage.

Michael & Bridget Cronin, Considine Tce.

Morgan O'Connell, Killimer & New York.

12noon: Paddy Naughton, Clare Rd. 1st Anniv

Mon: 7.45am: Peg Garvey, Upper Market St.

10am: Tony Kenny, Hermitage.

7.30pm: John & Mary Rynne &

Josephine O'Looney, Carron.

Tues: 7.45am Book of Intentions.

10am: Nora Coote, Cornmarket St.

7.30pm: Michael Kelly, Dalcassian Park.

Wed: 7.45am: Special Intention.

10am: Jenny Ryan, Summerhill.

7.30pm: Baby Dylan Fox Tierney, Clancy Pk. & Toonagh.

Thurs: 7.45am: Special Intention.

10am: Kathleen O'Loughlin, St. Michael's Villas.

7.30pm: Nancy Guinnane, Hermitage.

Fri: 7.45am Mass for the People.

10am: Don & Charles Mallon, Tyrone.

7.30pm: Noreen Flynn, Upper Market St. 1st Anniv

Sat: 10am: Mai Brennan, Chez Nous, Clonroadmore.

6.30pm: Tommy Mahony, Tobertaoscain. 1st Anniv

Sun 10th: 9am: Sean Moloney, Tulla Rd.

10.30am: Jimmy & William Winder, Oak Park.

Frank Glynn, Francis St.

Kearney family, O'Callaghan's Mills.

Noreen Murphy, Kilrush Rd.

12noon: Nell Hanley, New Rd. MM

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 10th July, 2016

Readers: Group 3

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Cloughleigh

Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 3rd 9.30am: Chucks O'Sullivan, Clancy Park.

11am: Paddy Shannon, Cloughleigh Road.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

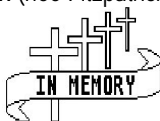
Fri 7.30pm: Tom O'Grady, Childers Rd.

Sun 10th 9.30am: Gerard Crowe, Knockerra, Kilrush.

11am: Frank Corey & family, Loughville.

Rest in Peace

Maureen Kitson (nee Fitzpatrick), Marian Avenue;



*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.*

Ennis Parish Development Fund for
Sunday 26th June, €7,136.00

Hospital & Sick Calls

3rd July, 2016

Priest on Duty:

Please call: 065 6869098



FRANCISCAN FRIARY

ENNIS: Our work is nearly finished. Thank you so much for all your generous contributions. We haven't reached our target yet so we still have a bit to do. Please call in and say a little prayer and enjoy our new surroundings.

Br. Isidore (Guardian)

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.

Buíochas

Andrew Brennan, 33, was diagnosed with Motor Neuron disease on Feb 26th 2015. His daughters were 19 months and 5 months at the time. Prior to this he cycled 100kms without a break. He was helping to rebuild a 200 year old house for his wife and young family:

On Tue night at Divine Mercy Prayer Group I suggested I was interested in a Fundraiser for Irish Motor Neuron Disease as Andrew touched my heart and soul. On Sunday 26th June we raised €358.81 in the Chapter room of The Cathedral. A huge Thanks to very generous Ennis Sponsors of a huge Raffle; also a huge Thanks to Fr Tom, Fr Ger, Rebecca, Nancy, Mary and Eileen, our Divine Mercy friends for their great support. Finally "Thank You" to all who dropped in for a cuppa, cakes and gave money for this very important cause. Sincerely, **Nancy Kelly.**

Newly Baptised



We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: Nicky Lungile Mata; Freja Nombulelo;

Faye Geraldine Eade;



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: Frank O'Gorman, Marian Ave.

Sun 3rd 10am: Joe & Nell Walsh, Clonroad.

11.30am: John & Nora O'Connor, Marian Ave.

Mon 11am: Michael & Bridget O'Halloran, Roslevan.

Tues 11am: Dermot Considine, Beechpark. MM

7pm: Brid Shanahan, Lifford Rd. MM

Wed 11am: Deceased Barry Family, Gort Rd.

Thu 11am: Mary, Henry, Eamon & Smyth family, Cavan.

Fri 11am: Mary, Patrick & baby John Quinn, Cloonanha.

Sat 11am: John & Margaret McNamara, St. Senan's Rd.

7pm: James & Ellen McGann, Parnell St.

Sun 10am: Baby Abbey Flanagan, Waterside,

Cappahard, Tulla Rd. 1st Anniv

11.30am: Jim Lordan, St. Senan's Rd.

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



Reflection for the Year of Mercy



What is the meaning of the word mercy? (What is mercy for me?) As God's love for me is eternal, he loves me not only when I am good but also when I am bad. He continues to love even when I don't or can't love myself! He has never rejected me even when I was doing my own thing, getting drunk, sinning in my sexuality leading to my life becoming a living hell. I reached a low point where I wanted to end it all by taking my own life. But at that lowest point I discovered someone who truly loves me for who I am, just as I am, warts and all. Who was that special person so full of love for someone who felt so unlovable? That person is Jesus. He spoke to my heart in such a way that I saw that he has taken all these sins that were making me suffer so much. He took them from me and carried them himself on the cross. I began to feel happier, lighter, loved and not worthless anymore. I wanted to live my life not end it. Furthermore, I see he is with me in his presence in the Eucharist. He feeds and strengthens this weak person that I am. Through this life experience I have discovered the powerful, wonderful, caring and mysterious mercy of God because His ways are not our ways but I prefer His ways now not my own ways.
Piotrek Krawczyk.

Lough Derg



Time for Body & Soul

Bookings now being taken for the Ennis Parish Pilgrimage to Lough Derg from: Aug 1st to 3rd. Bus & Island: €100. *Bookings & info:* Parish Office 065 6824043.



Do you or someone you know wish to become a Catholic?

Are you a baptized Catholic but never have been Confirmed or received First Holy Communion?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) may be the place for you!

Every year adults are welcomed into the Catholic Community through this RCIA parish programme.

INTERESTED!!!!

Don't hesitate to drop in to the parish office or call 065 6824043.

Killaloe Diocese

Justice and Peace

During the week Pope Francis and Catholicos Karekin II, leader of the Armenian Apostolic Church on Sunday signed a common declaration appealing for peace in the Middle East and other regions torn apart by conflict, terrorism and religious persecution. In the statement the two religious leaders pray for a change of heart in all who commit violence, as well as imploring leaders of nations to hear the cry of those people "who have urgent need of bread, not guns".



If you like books and would be willing to give 4 hours of your time per week we would be delighted & thankful at Bookstop, 8 Parnell St. Supporting Slainte an Chláir & Uganda. Please call to shop for application form or tel: 085 2405122

Live the Word:



The Lord appointed seventy two others and sent them out to preach the Gospel. In the same way we are dismissed at the end of Mass with the same command. We might keep the words of American Steve Farber in mind as we live this powerful word: "Make sure that your actions and behaviours live up to and reflect the words and ideas, promises and commitments that come out of your mouth."

Congratulations: to the Holy Family Junior School who recently took second and third place in the Yellow Flag National Art Competition. The Yellow Flag Programme is a positive and exciting way of supporting children to have pride in their cultural identity, support schools to develop an environment where all children thrive and discrimination is challenged. We congratulate the Holy Family Junior School on their great achievement in this area.

Co Clare Agricultural Show Sunday 3rd. July; The Showgrounds Ennis: Family Fun Day, pony rides, Irish Army Military equipment. Showing and Showjumping Horses, Cattle, Dog Show, Best dressed lady/gent, bonny baby, arts/crafts and horticulture.

'Migraine and Women'; Wed 13th July; Temple Gate Hotel, 7pm — 9pm. Speaker: Dr. Peter Boers - Consultant Neurologist, University Hospital, Limerick. Light Refreshments will be served. To book: the Migraine Helpline: 1850 200 378 or info@migraine.ie Admission: FREE www.migraine.ie 087 9652864 (call or text).

Information Evening on Health & Wellbeing

Wed 13th July; Woodstock Hotel; 8pm. Does any of the following apply to you? High Blood Pressure, High Cholesterol, Family History of Heart Disease, Heart Attack, Stroke, Poor Circulation, Diabetes, Arthritis, Unfit, Inactive, Poor Diet. Guest Speaker: Colin Smith. Free admission, booking essential Tel: 085 7630736

Journey into Awareness. One day workshop in Glenstal Abbey, Murroe, Co. Limerick, July 9th, 2016:

An inspirational journey of self-discovery, creative visualization and positive affirmation. Focus on the topics of Self-Awareness, Living Confidently in the Moment, use of Experiential Mindfulness Techniques. Tel 061-367010/Mobile 085-7032203.

Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann Inis 2016

Information Evening for Ennis Businesses and Residents; 7.30pm - 9pm at Treacy's West County Hotel, Thursday 7th July 2016. Gardaí, Local Authority, Agencies and Organisers will be in attendance.

The Annual Ladies' Retreat at Glenstal Abbey; 'Gift yourself a day away'.

Tue 5th or Wed 6th July; Relax, reflect, pray and enjoy the company of others in the peaceful and beautiful surrounds of the monastery. Rev Henry O'Shea, a monk of the community will lead the day. To book: 061 621005/email - events@glenstal.com

Summer Camps; Room to Bloom, Ard na Gréine - July 4th to 8th, 9am to 1pm; €65 per week; July 25th to 29th 9am - 1pm; €65 per week. Discount for siblings. See Room to Bloom on Facebook or call Hazel on 087 7919948.

Pilgrimage to Glendalough Sunday 28th August.

Day involves return bus trip from Ennis to Glendalough, Co. Wicklow, long guided walk with panoramic views, visiting the cell of St. Kevin, Mass and talk by Fr. Thady Doyle. Bus leaving from Banner Arms, Market Street 8am sharp. Cost of return bus fare €22. Booking, payment and further details from Frank Glynn.

Sláinte an Chláir, Clare Cancer Support, Annual Healing Mass; Kilnamona Church, Sat. 9th July 12 midday. All welcome.

Sr. Eileen's Céinne

Mí Iúil

I mí Iúil, bí linn a Thiarna. Mí Iúil, mí chomóradh Fola Sár-Luachmhaire ár dTiarna, Íosa Críost. Is iad intinní an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Na ciníocha dúchasacha a bhfuil bagairt ar a bhféiniúlacht agus ar a gceart chun a bheith ann go fiú, go dtugtar dóibh ómós cuí. An Eaglais i Meiriceá Theas agus i dtíortha chósta Chairib go gcrabhscaoile sí le nuafhuinneamh agus le díograis an soiscéal lena misean chun na mór-roinne. Tá an bhéim ar shíocháin i liotúirge an Domhnaigh seo. Is é Íosa Prionsa na Síochána agus ceann de thorthaí an Spioraid Naoimh an tsíocháin. Ní mór dúinn go léir síocháin a chleachtadh inár saol laethúil agus guí ar son na síochána ar fud an domhain mhóir.

Guímís 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 éagoir, pardún;

áit a bhfuil amhras, creideamh. áit a bhfuil

éadóchas, dóchas; áit a bhfuil dorchadas, solas;

agus áit a bhfuil brón, lúcháir. Áiméan.

Be with us Lord during the month of July. The month devoted to the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. The Pope's Intentions for July are: That indigenous peoples, whose identity and very existence are threatened, will be shown due respect. That the Church in Latin America and the Caribbean, by means of her mission to the continent, may announce the Gospel with renewed vigour and enthusiasm.

Peace is the theme of today's liturgy. Jesus is the Prince of Peace. It is one of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. We ought to practise peace in our daily lives and pray for world peace.

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.

Ennis Tidy Towns

Final call for competition entry forms for:

1 Green Areas – this is a competition for residential areas to showcase their green areas and other important projects going on in their areas.

2 Best Kept Garden Competitions.

Please note that entry forms for both competitions are available at Ennis Chamber of Commerce Reception at 54 O'Connell Street Phone 065-69842988. Closing date for receiving completed applications is on Wednesday 6th July."

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration: - the tri-monthly Meeting of Contact Persons / Coordinators, takes place this **Wednesday evening July 6th**, at 8.05pm in the Chapter Room behind the Sacristy (usual location). We greatly look forward to your valued presence amongst us, which will add considerably to the success of our Meeting.



Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Your merciful love, O God,
We have received in the midst of your temple.

Your praise, O God, like your name,
Reaches the ends of the earth;
Your right hand is filled with saving justice.

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 Isaiah.

Is 66:10-14

Rejoice, Jerusalem,
be glad for her, all you who love her!
Rejoice, rejoice for her,
all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled,
from her consoling breast,
that you may savour with delight
her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord:
Now towards her I send flowing
peace, like a river,
and like a stream in spate
the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurselings be carried
and fondled in her lap.
Like a son comforted by his mother
will I comfort you.
And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice,
and your bones flourish like the grass.
To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Cry out with joy to God all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth
O sing to the glory of his name

O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: how tremendous your deeds.

R.

"Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!"
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. R.

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules forever by his might. R.

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer
nor withhold his love from me. R.

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians.

Gal 6:14-18

The only thing I can boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world is crucified to me, and I to the world. It does not matter if a person is circumcised or not; what matters is for him to become an altogether new creature. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule, who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after this; the marks on my body are those of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Lk. 10:1-12.17-20

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat

what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you". But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord', they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name'. He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven'.

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

**Taste and see that the Lord is good;
Blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.**