

# Today's Scripture Readings

**Entrance Antiphon:**  
**Let my prayer come into your presence.**  
**Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord**

## 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 second book of Maccabees 2 Mac 7:1-2.9-14

There were seven brothers who were arrested with their mother. The king tried to force them to taste pigs flesh, which the Law forbids, by torturing them with whips and scourges. One of them, acting as spokesman for the others, said, 'What are you trying to find out from us? We are prepared to die rather than break the Law of our ancestors.'

With his last breath the second brother exclaimed, 'Inhuman fiend, you may discharge us from this present life, but the King of the world will raise us up, since it is for his laws that we die, to live again for ever.'

After him, they amused themselves with the third, who on being asked for his tongue promptly thrust it out and boldly held out his hands, with these honourable words, 'It was heaven that gave me these limbs; for the sake of his laws I disdain them; from him I hope to receive them again.' The king and his attendants were astounded at the young mans courage and his utter indifference to suffering.

When this one was dead they subjected the fourth to the same savage torture. When he neared his end he cried, 'Ours is the better choice, to meet death at men's hands, yet relying on Gods promise that we shall be raised up by him; whereas for you there can be no resurrection, no new life.'

**The Word of the Lord**

## Responsorial Psalm

**Response:**  
*I shall be filled, when I awake,  
 With the sight of your glory, O Lord.*

Lord, hear a cause that is just,  
 pay heed to my cry.  
 Turn your ear to my prayer;  
 no deceit is on my lips.

**R.**

I kept my feet firmly in your paths;  
 there was no faltering in my steps.  
 I am here and I call,  
 you will hear me, O God.

Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **R.**

Guard me as the apple of your eye.  
 Hide me in the shadow of your wings.  
 As for me, in my justice I shall see your face  
 And be filled, when I awake, with the sight of  
 your glory. **R.**

## A reading from the second letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

**2 Th 2:16 - 3:5**

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father who has given us his love and, through his grace, such inexhaustible comfort and such sure hope, comfort you and strengthen you in everything good that you do or say.

Finally, brothers, pray for us; pray that the Lord's message may spread quickly, and be received with honour as it was among you; and pray that we may be preserved from the interference of bigoted and evil people, for faith is not given to everyone. But the Lord is faithful, and he will give you strength and guard you from the evil one, and we, in the Lord, have every confidence that you are doing and will go on doing all that we tell you. May the Lord turn your hearts towards the love of God and the fortitude of Christ.

## The word of the Lord

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*  
*Stay awake, praying at all times*  
*For the strength to stand with confidence*  
*Before the Son of Man*  
*Alleluia!*

## A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke Lk 20:27-38

Some Sadducees - those who say that there is no resurrection - approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his

brother.

Well, then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?'

Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God.

And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all are in fact alive.

## 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.

### Communion Antiphon

**The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of bread.**



**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

# Ennis Parish News

## 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:

Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: info@ennisparish.com  
 St. Joseph's:- 6822166; Cloughleigh: 6840715; Friary: 6828751

**Ennis Parish Web Site:** <http://www.ennisparish.com>

**Facebook:** <http://www.facebook.com/ennis.parish>

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**(Year C)**

**6th November 2016**

## Our Homeland is in Heaven

Belief in life after death is inextricably woven into the fabric of our Christian faith. Our Christian practices, liturgies and private prayers are all centred in the belief that those who have preceded us in death continue to embrace a new experience. Yet when we try to describe what lies before us in death it becomes a little uncertain. Trying to depict the future affords us a little more than approximating images and symbols.

The Scripture uses apocalyptic images and figures, What we do know is that our future life with God is not only vastly superior to our present life but also unimaginably different. *'Eye has not seen nor ear heard what God promises to those who serve him'*. St. Paul talks about a risen body that is different to our human bodies. It is like a full blown plant that emerges from the seed that produced it.

Poets and mystics have probed the mysteries of life and it's unfolding patterns but all falls short of what the human mind could possibly imagine. The poor despite their misery and tragedies of their human pilgrimage all aspire to hope for the peace of their eternal abode. Eternal life is not measured in time nor will it exclude those who suffer the ignominy of marginalisation in this life. It is the embodiment of all that God promises who is the source of love,

compassion and mercy. Life after death issues an invitation to embrace a timeless future where the unimaginable of the here and now will be unveiled.

The joy of heaven is complete because there is no pain or loss. Ascetical Theologians have shared from their deep spiritual enlightenment that God in his benevolence reserves a reward for all who walk in his ways, a reward that no earthly experience can compare.



Extract from Anthony Foley's Funeral Mass  
*'From the tree of life each leaf must fall - the green, the gold, the great and small, each in God's own time he gathers them all together'*.

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

### Cathedral

#### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sat: 6.30pm:** Mary Corbett, Limerick Rd.  
**Sun 6th: 9am:** Bridget Roche, St Michael's Villas.  
 Nellie Forde, Market St.  
 Teresa Weir, Stillorgan.  
**10.30am:** Mc Namara family, Cullinagh, Crusheen.  
 Delia Lynch, Fergus Park.  
 Nora Keavey, Clareen.  
 Patsy & Raymond Ryan, Hermitage.  
 P.J. O'Driscoll, Station Rd.  
**12noon:** Mass for the People.  
**Mon: 7.45am:** Holy Souls.  
**10am:** Mary Harvey, Cahercalla Estate.  
**7.30pm:** Mary, Charles & Patrick O'Grady.  
 Haulie Cullinan, UK, Maura Clohessy, McNamara Pk.  
**Tues: 7.45am** Book of Intentions.  
**10am:** Holy Souls.  
**7.30pm:** Clem & Mary Ryan, Parnell Street.  
**Wed: 7.45am:** Holy Souls.  
**10am:** Nicholas Moloney, Ballycorree.  
**7.30pm:** Geraldine Moroney, St. Michael's Villas.  
**Thurs: 7.45am:** Dymrna Condon Foudy, Kilkenny.  
**10am:** Holy Souls.  
**7.30pm:** Hehir family, Connolly Villas & McNamara Pk.  
**Fri: 7.45am** Breda Nolan, Barnick.  
**10am:** Holy Souls.  
**7.30pm:** Mass for the people.  
**Sat: 10am:** Bridget Morgan, Roscommon.  
**6.30pm:** Pat Cotter, College View. **1st Anniv**  
**Sun 13th: 9am:** Thomas Noel Halpin, Drumbiggle Rd.  
**10.30am:** James Maher, Clonroadbeg.  
 Martin & Mary Brooks, Castlewood Pk.  
 Christy O'Donovan, Clonroadmore.  
 Roger Knightson, Beechpark.  
 Mick, Mai & Michael Lyons, Loughville.  
 Sean Connolly, Ard na Greine.  
**12noon:** Remembrance Mass for our beloved infants, children and babies who died during the early stages of pregnancy or birth.

### Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 13th November, 2016

Readers: Group 1  
 Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 4  
 Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2

We are currently working on next year's readers' list. Could all the present readers who wish to continue in this ministry please email/phone/text Noreen to affirm this: 086 8202275/noreen.flynn@hotmail.com



### Cloughleigh

#### Remembered in Masses this Week:

**Sun 6th 9.30am:** Joe Kelly, Inagh.  
**11am:** John Houlihan, Sandfield Pk.  
**Tue 9.30am:** Book of Intentions.  
**Wed 9.30am:** Eileen & Frank O'Dea, Cappa.  
**Sun 13th 9.30am: Confirmation Enrolment.**  
 Martin Joseph Mc Nulty, Hermitage.  
**11am:** Charlie, Edward & Kathleen McKee, Brookville.

Bereavement team visitation meeting Thu 10th Nov.

Ennis Parish Development Fund for  
 Sunday 30th October: €6,886.00

### Hospital & Sick Calls

6th November, 2016  
**Priest on Duty:**  
 Fr. Tom O'Gorman  
 Please call: 065 6869098  
**Wednesday:**  
 Fr. Ger Fitzgerald  
 065 6869098

### Ennis Parish

#### Christmas Project

**Triduum Mass Cards** (*Triduum of Masses offered on Christmas Day*) and **Parish Christmas Cards** are now available from Parish Office.  
*Proceeds from cards towards: Cathedral Organ restoration fund.*



### Newly Baptised

*We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism:* Marissa Frances McDonagh; Ava Anna Meere; Callen Patrick Cotter; Harry Rocco Boland; Noah Harry Nogueira Da Silva; Amira Bridget Greene;

### The World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (WDR)

is commemorated on the third Sunday of November each year - to remember the many millions killed and injured on the world's roads, together with their families and many others also affected, as well as to reflect on the tremendous burden and cost of this daily continuing disaster. People who have died on our roads and their families will be remembered at 11.30am Mass; St. Joseph's Church Sunday 20th November.



### The annual Matt Talbot Novena

praying for all suffering or sharing in the life of addictions, continues this Tuesday evening November 8th, 7pm; SS. John & Paul Church Shannon. This week's preacher is Rev. Vincent Stapleton CC, Thurles. Petitions/Prayers of Thanksgiving can be left at the shrine or email available on [www.shannonparish.ie](http://www.shannonparish.ie). The novena can also be viewed live each week on Shannon Parish webcam.



### 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:** Bridie Mulcaire, St. Senan's Rd.  
**Sun 6th 8am:** Joe & Kathleen Hayes, Mullagh.  
**10am:** Nano Kelly, Turnpike Rd & Connolly. MM  
**11.30am:** Maureen Hume, Pine Grove & Mary Hayes.  
**Mon 11am:** Delia Lynch nee Brohan, Fergus Pk.  
**Tues 11am:** Tom & Helen Cassidy, Marian Ave.  
**Wed 11am:** Anthony Kenny, Castlewood Pk. MM  
**Thu 11am:** Bernadette Mounsey, Marian Ave.  
**Fri 11am:** Aileen & Brendan Church, Kincora Pk.  
**Sat 11am:** Eileen Keane, Corrovorrin Green.  
**7pm:** Deceased Dillon family, St. Senan's Rd.  
**Sun 13th 8am:** Sean Horgan, Kincora Pk.  
**10am:** P.J., Maureen & Elaine Broderick, Clonroad.  
**11.30am:** Deirdre O'Brien, Shannon Pk.

### Next Mass in the extraordinary form (the Tridentine or 'Latin' rite)

Sunday 6th November; 5.30pm; St. Joseph's Church. All are welcome.



### Reflection for the Year of Mercy



What is Mercy?  
 Mercy to me means to show compassion, kindness and forgiveness to someone who is maybe treated harshly or is less fortunate than ourselves. Sometimes people who are in a very bad or desperate situation, need mercy even at times that we feel they might not deserve it, so being sympathetic and compassionate of those in distress is a sign of mercy. It is trying to understand where that person may be coming from and giving them the benefit of the doubt. We may all need mercy at some point in our lives so we should be mindful when judging others as one day it could be us looking for Mercy.

Marie McInerney Fitzpatrick

### Rest in Peace

**Eugene O'Connor**, Drumquin, Ballynacally; **Siobhán Conlon**, Gort Rd; **Rita Considine nee Casey**, Beechpark; **Maureen Conway**, Pine Grove, Gort Rd; **Eugene Murphy**, Glenina, Gort Rd; **Margaret Cullinan**, Kilnamona, sister of Maureen Clohessy, Loughville; **Samantha Larvin**, England, niece of Phil and Margaret O'Brien Shanaway Rd., & Clarecastle; **Gretta Barry**, Inch mother of Peggy Duggan, Cahercalla Road; **Eugene McNamara**, Lahinch Road, Loughville;



### Year of Mercy Triduum

Corporal Works of Mercy



### 1st Sunday: 6th November

**Theme: Bury the Dead**  
 Light a candle and Remember the corporal work of mercy 'Bury the Dead'  
**Parish Blessing Of Graves**  
**Corrovorrin: 2pm**  
**Drumcliffe: 3pm**

### 2nd Sunday: 13th November

**Theme: Remember the Child**  
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**Remembrance Mass**  
**12noon in Cathedral**

For our beloved infants, children and babies who died during the early stages of pregnancy or birth.

### 3rd Sunday: 20th November

**Theme: Highlight the Closing Ceremony**  
 Light a candle and Pray for the closing of the year of mercy.  
**Liturgy led by Bishop Fintan,**  
**Ennis Cathedral: 3.30pm - 4.30pm**

**Mercy Prayer:**  
 Lord Jesus Christ,  
 you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,  
 and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. We ask this of you, Lord Jesus, through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy; you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.

Annual November mass for deceased Gardai of Clare Garda Division will be held at 7pm on Friday next November 11th at The Friary, Ennis.



Fr. Brendan Casey,  
 Beechpark, Ennis.  
 1931-2016

Fr. Brendan Casey died peacefully on October 18th the feast day of St. Luke in the care of Ryevale Nursing Home Lextlip, Co. Kildare. He was one of a family of four boys and four girls born to Nora and Martin Casey of Beechpark. Brendan was pre deceased by Martin, Pat, Colm and his sisters Ita and Birdie. Brendan and his sister Rita went into business together opening a clothing shop in Parnell Street. After a short number of years he changed the direction of his life and joined the Society of Divine Word Missionaries in 1958. On completion of his studies he was ordained to the Priesthood on January 15th 1966. He faithfully served as a priest for 50 years in a variety of Pastoral placements: Teacher; Administrator; School Retreat Director; 'Vocations' Director. He had the ability to connect and communicate with people of all ages. He was gifted with the ability of seeing God's message in the bits and pieces of ordinary everyday living. His wonderful smile and joy filled eyes, radiated a warm heart and gentle spirit. In 2011 he was diagnosed with cancer, a sickness he bore with great positivity and patience. In the Spring of 2015 Fr. Brendan moved from his religious community Maynooth to the care of Ryevale Nursing Home, where he gently went "ar shlí na fírinne". This past week his sister Rita went the same journey.

We extend our sympathy to his surviving sister Maura, Presentation Sisters, his sister in law Brid and his nieces Finola; Grainne and Niamh.  
**Suaimhneas síoraí tabhair dó a Thiarna, agus go lonraí solas suthain air.**

The Irish Blood Transfusion Service will be holding a blood donor clinic in the West county hotel from Mon 7th to Thurs 10th Nov inclusive. From 5pm-8pm and also on Monday 14th Nov from 2pm-5pm.

**Ennis First Responders:** We provide a local team of first responders on duty 24hrs to provide emergency aid to our community before the arrival of the ambulance service. We provide community awareness to cardiac issues. For further information contact us on 087 280 0787 or E-mail: [cfr@enniscfr.net](mailto:cfr@enniscfr.net)

**ICA Fergus Guild** - November meeting Thursday 10th, Clarecare Meeting Room at 7:30pm. All are welcome, candle craft demonstration on the night.

Coffee morning & cake sale in Fahy Hall, Roslevan, Fri 11th Nov 10am-12.30pm. Proceeds in aid of Sláinte an Chlair.



### Sr. Eileen's Céinne

Mi na Samhna

Guímid ar son intinní an Phápa gach maidin in Ofráil na Maidine. Is iad intinní an Phápa don mhí seo ná: Go raibh comhoibriú idir shagairt agus tuatha sna paróistí gan géilleadh do chathú an lagmhisnigh agus iad ag freastal ar an gcomhthionól. Na tíortha sin a thógann isteach líon mór dídeanaithe agus diláithrigh, go bhfaighe siad, i sprid dlúthpháirtíoch, tacaíocht dá bhfuil á dhéanamh acu. Tugtar Mi na Marbh ar Mhí na Samhna. Bhí sé de nós i gcónaí ag ár sinsear cuairt a thabhairt ar shéipéal agus ar reilig i rith na míosa agus guí ar son na marbh. Is maith an rud na gnásanna seo a choimeád beo agus a chleachtadh. Is mór an solás dúinn nach bhfuil ár ngaolta imithe uainn ach imithe romhainn agus lá éigin beimid ina bhfochair i bParthas na nGrást. Is paidir í seo ón mbéaloideas le rá agus tú ag dul thar reilig. **A losa Críost Céasta, déan fuascailt ar na hanamacha bochta atá anseo ag feitheamh le haiséirí glórmhair. Aíméan.**

We pray for the Pope's intentions daily when we say the Morning Offering. The Pope's intentions for this month are: That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement. That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity. November is the Month of the Holy Souls. It is an ancient custom to visit a church and graveyard during the month to pray for the dead. We ought to keep these customs and practise them. It is comforting to realise that our relatives have not gone away from us but gone before us and some day we will be with them in Paradise. This is a prayer from Tradition to say while passing a graveyard. **Crucified Lord free the souls of those who have died and await eternal glory. Amen**

**Ennis StepFitt pre-Christmas** 6 week programme comprising of Step Aerobics/Circuits commencing in the Gael Scoil Primary School Tuesday 8th November 7-8 & Thursday November 10th 5.15-6.15, spaces limited, suits all ages and all levels of fitness. Details and to book your step contact Clare on 0876855569.

**Clare Archaeological and Historical Society November Lecture:** There's Life in the Old Rocks of Clare' by Dr Eamon Doyle. Tuesday 8th November in the Maguire Suite, Old Ground Hotel; 8pm. Lectures are free to members, €5 for non-members. New members are always welcome. NOTE: The AGM takes place 7pm in advance of the lecture. The Society is seeking new committee members to help with the continuation of the Society into the future. Enquiries: [fogorman51@gmail.com](mailto:fogorman51@gmail.com)/ 087 2262259

**University Maternity Hospital Limerick holds its annual remembrance service** at the Church of the Holy Rosary, Ennis Road, Limerick, on Sunday, November 13th (3pm). We invite parents who have experienced the death of their baby/pregnancy loss at any stage, together with their family, friends and hospital staff to this service.