



# 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.

### Phone Numbers:

Cathedral:- 6824043; Email: [info@ennisparish.com](mailto:info@ennisparish.com)  
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Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 19th November, 2017

## Life is Changed Not Ended.

Nature reminds us of the changing patterns in the foliage, the end of summer and the coming of autumn.

Traditionally November is the month of the Holy Souls and is celebrated in many parts of the world in remembrance of those departed this life. Belief in life after death is intricately woven into the fabric of our faith, Liturgy and prayer practices. Universally religious ceremonies are held for all those who preceded them in death but in the belief that another form of existence awaits them. Yet when we begin to describe what lies ahead of us we become a little tongue tied. One time a famous actor when asked if he believed in after life, his reply was *'I cannot say but I am intrigued by the idea'*.

Trying to depict our futures affords a little more than an approximation of images. The Scriptures had apocalyptic symbols and images in an attempt to imagine what

follows death. What we do know about future life it is vastly superior to our present lifestyle and also beyond what the human mind can imagine. St. Paul reminds us *'eye has not seen nor ear heard what God has in store for those who serve him'*.



The central joy of heaven is a life in union with God. Second Thessalonians assures us that we will be fully united with those who have gone before us.

While that has been a source of considerable discussion as to what that union might be, there is no discussion about the basic fact that death is an entrance to a new form of existence. Eternal life is a Gospel given. The Psalmists say *'Our homeland is in heaven'*. With St. Paul we simply pray to be strengthened with the firm conviction that God who in his fullness of love, will welcome us home.

## Cathedral

### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sat: 6.30pm: Mass for the People.

Do this in Memory.

Sun: 9am: Michael O Corbáin, Kilrush Rd.  
Eimer Corbett, Oak Park.

10.30am: Frances Feeney, St. Michael's Villas.  
Mary Thynne, Merchants Square.  
John & Mary Broderick, Loughville.  
Roger, Molly, Andrew & Pat Carey.  
Paddy Fitzgerald, Kilrush Rd.  
Elizabeth & George Bradley, Carmody St.  
Joan Malone, Lenabeag, Lahinch Rd.  
Betty Devaney, Kilmurray.  
Deceased O'Brien family.

12noon: Ellen Devitt, St. Michael's Villas. MM  
Ted & Nancy Sheils, College Rd.

Mon: 7.45am: Sheila & Tom Coote, St. Michael's Vls.

10am: Mary Sheridan, Hermitage & Manchester.

7.30pm: Sean Lynch, Clancy Park.

Tues: 7.45am Book of Intentions.

10am: Jack, Delia & Kathleen Callinan.

7.30pm: Paddy & Tessie Meere, Cahercalla.

Wed: 7.45am: Special Intention.

10am: Mary Hurley, Maurice's Mills.

7.30pm: Joe Williams, Bindon St.

Thurs: 7.45am: Bernard & Anne McNamara, McNamara Pk.

10am: Jordan & Sheehan families.

7.30pm: Michael Byrne, Tyrone & Dublin.

Fri: 7.45am Holy Souls.

10am: Special Intention.

7.30pm: Joan Griffin, Kilmorane.

Kieran Casey, Military Barracks & Turnpike. MM

Sat: 10am: Daryl Dobson, Ashfield Pk.

William O'Dwyer, Lahinch.

Decd O'Neill, Hassett & Murray families, Market St.

6.30pm: Buddy Dinan, Waterpark Heights. 1st Anniv

Sun: 9am: John Davoren, Kilfenora.

Martin Browne, Gallows Hill.

Gemma Curtin & Connolly family.

Donagh & Elaine Lempriere, O'Connell St.

10.30am: Kitty, Michael & Mathew McEnery, Gort Rd.

Marie & Michael Kelly, College Green.

Mary & Cronin Griffin, Kildysert Cross.

Lena & Packie Mangan, Brookville.

White family, Hermitage.

Frank Dinan, Cahercalla Heights.

Kathleen O'Halloran.

Tommy & Alice Fitzpatrick, Larchill.

Salvador Coote, late Causeway.

12noon: Josie Garry, Sandfield. 1st Anniv

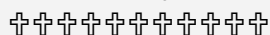
## Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 26th November, 2017

Readers: Group 1

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 3

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 2



Our new rota will be prepared in time for the new Mass schedule, starting 1st Sunday of Advent. If your circumstances or details have changed please contact the parish office or Noreen Flynn.

## Hospital & Sick Calls

19th November, 2017

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom O'Gorman

Duty Phone: 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: **Jamie**

**Stephen Tobin; Adam Szewc; Katelyn Grace Synott;**

## Parish Visitation Team

will visit the following

area starting 27th

November: **Wood**

**Haven, Kilrush Rd.**

"Where 2 or 3 are gathered in My Name, there I am in the midst of them".



## People of the Year Awards

Many people are working in a voluntary capacity (often unnoticed), giving of their time and energy in the service of others and enriching our community. Some years ago the Pastoral Council decided to acknowledge their contributions and awards have been presented to worthy participants for the past number of years. If you know of someone whom, you feel, would be worthy of such recognition, we would appreciate your nominating them. Nominations to be sent to the Parish Office and should include information about the person being nominated and a detailed outline of the reasons for the nomination. **Closing date: 31st December 2017.**



Celebrate People  
In Our Community

Ennis Parish  
Development Fund for  
Sunday 12th November,  
€7,525.00



## 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: Deceased Dillon family, St. Senan's Rd.

Sun 8am: Patricia Molloy, Clancy Park.

10am: Kathleen Foudy, Ivy Hill.

11.30am: **World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims.**

Mon 11am: Alphy Ryan, Kevin Barry Ave.  
Austin Hanrahan & John Mc Mahon, Knock.

Tues 11am: James & Margaret Butler, St. Clare's Tce.

Wed 11am: Anne Rynne, Kylea & England.

Thu 11am: Martin White, Kincora Pk.

Fri 11am: Maureen O'Gorman, Marian Ave.

Sat 11am: Robert Normoyle, Newcastle West.

7pm: Pat Woods, Circular Rd. MM

Sun 8am: Sean & Vera Moloney, Tulla Rd.

10am: Hugh, Frances & Mary Gilmore, Drumcliffe.

11.30am: Edward Ryan, Clancy Pk.



## Divine Mercy Chaplet

We will continue to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet as a prayer group on this Tuesday evening; 8pm; Parish office. 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.

## Rest in Peace



Bill Chapman Snr, Ennistymon & late Hermitage, **Mary Hassett**, Pearse Ave, Cloughleigh, **Dominic Connolly**, Killucan, brother of Peggy, College Pk; **Anne Coleman**, Dundrum, Dublin, mother of Marie O'Reilly, Shanaway Rd.; **Nancy Meade**, Clarecastle & Staff Colaiste Muire;

Month's Mind Mass for **Kay Hanberry**, Roslevan at Ennis Friary; Friday 24th November; 7pm.



**Matt Talbot Novena, Shannon, 7pm;**

**Tuesday; SS John & Paul Church,**

**Shannon.** Our speaker: **Senator Rónán**

**Mullen**, Independent Senator, Seanad

Eireann. Praying each week for all suffering or sharing in the life of addictions. Petitions/Prayers of thanksgiving can be left at the shrine or sent to the special petition email on shannonparish.ie where the Novena can also be watched live each week. Please come along and bring a friend to this very special Novena. A warm welcome awaits!



## Cloughleigh



### Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 9.30am: Morgan family, Roscommon.

11am: Maura Mc Mahon, "Marymount", Cusack Rd.

Do this in Memory.

Mon 9.30am: Packie & Bridget, Downes, Circular Rd.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Wed 9.30am: Brenda Dullaghan, Dundalk. MM

Thu 9.30am: Mary & Jimmy O'Reilly, Gort

Fri 9.30am: Donor's Intention.

Sun 9.30am: Leydon family, Carmody St & Cloughleigh.

11am: John, Peg & Peter Moloney, Cloughleigh.

## Lions' Club of Ennis in aid of

- \*The Alzheimer Society
- \*Clare Haven Services
- \*Bushy Park
- \*Ennis Mental Health Association
- \*Day Care Centre, Clarecastle

proudly present

The Band of An Garda Síochána  
in Concert at Glór

Thursday 23rd November 8pm

Tickets: €20 at Glór Box Office

## Monthly Mass; Ennis Padre Pio

Prayer Group; Ennis Friary; Thurs  
23rd; 7.30pm. All are welcome.



**Maranatha Prayer Ministry Healing Retreat and Family Tree Mass** on today, Sunday, 19th November; 2.30pm at St. Paul's Church, Dooradoyle, Limerick through the Ministry of Fr. John Walsh, Limerick. Tea after. All welcome.

**Coffee Morning:** My name is Martina Hanrahan & I am volunteering with Operation Walk Ireland to go to Vietnam next March, where we will perform Orthopaedic surgeries. To help fund this, I am holding a Coffee morning/Raffle in the Cathedral Chapter room; Sunday 19th November; 9.30am - 1.30pm. Lovely raffle prizes- nice Christmas gift ideas. Hope to see you there.

**Clare Stroke Support club meeting** will be Monday 27th November from 12 noon to 2pm; Fahy Hall, Roslevan. Details contact Mary Tobin 087 254 6742

**Christmas Floral Demonstration:** Ennis Flower and Garden Club present Ann O'Hara, Nenagh; West County Hotel, Ennis; Tuesday, November 21st. Sales Table (supporting local charities). Demonstrators' Arrangements raffled on the night, commencing 8.15pm. Doors open 7.30pm. All are welcome. Admission: €10 (non members). Enquiries: ennisflowerandgardenclub@gmail.com

**Bereavement Support Information Evening;** Milford Care Centre; **Tue 28th November ; 7pm - 8.30pm.** The evening is designed to give general information on grief and bereavement to bereaved people, their family and friends. Bereavement Counsellors will be in attendance to provide general information on Grief and Bereavement. The evening will comprise of: Short talk by a Bereavement Counsellor. Different experiences of Grief Services available; Question Time. The information evening is Free.

**Electric Vehicle Information Event,** The Old Ground Hotel, Saturday, Nov. 25th; 4pm: There will be a free information event to inform the public about electric cars: the money-saving benefits, environmental advantages, available grants as well as a car-charging demonstration. Electric vehicle owners will be present to share their experience and answer questions. Details from Susan: 087 7917589.

Christmas Concert  
Friday 8th December at 8pm,  
Ennis Cathedral

### Featuring:

Karoline O'Sullivan; Cathedral Choir; Cantare Chamber Choir; The Burren Trio; Quin & Tonic Choir; Forever Young choir, include Andrea Sheehan and Grace Russell and many others



Tickets: €10 from Parish Office; Veritas & Ennis Bookshop from Tues 14th Nov.

In aid of Cathedral Organ Restoration Fund.

**Ennis Players Supper theatre;** Old Ground Hotel; this year's line up is Select Accommodation by Cliff Wedgbury. Directed by Helen Forde also Semblance of Madness by John H Newmeir. Directed by Geraldine Greene. Running from 21st of November to the 24th of November. Tickets priced at €18 and will include a light supper. Tickets: Record Rack, Salthouse Lane.

### Rosary on the Coasts for Life and Faith:

Join tens of thousands on the coasts of Ireland on the Feast of Christ the King, November 26th at 2.30pm to pray the rosary for the protection of life and the preservation of faith in Ireland. Information, prayers and rosary locations at [www.coastalrosaryireland.ie](http://www.coastalrosaryireland.ie) or contact [coastalrosaryireland@gmail.com](mailto:coastalrosaryireland@gmail.com) or 087 2786552. Join in prayer wherever you are. Locations in Co. Clare are Lahinch (car park on Miltown Road, opposite Seapark and the School Road junction), Kilkee (Bandstand), Loop Head Lighthouse.

### Clare Crusaders' Christmas Fair

Auburn Lodge Sunday 26th November 12pm - 4pm. Home-made Christmas Cakes, Clare Crusaders' Cards, Books. Hampers, Jewellery, Toys, Fashion Accessories & Cosmetics, and Many More Stands. Visit Santa. All Welcome.

**Clare Parkinson's Support Group;** Carrigoran Health & Wellness Centre, Newmarket-on-Fergus; 10am; Friday 24th November. All are Welcome. Information contact: 087 415 8430.

**FINDING FREEDOM: A DAY OF CONTEMPLATION & EXPLORATION WITH DENIS CROSBY;** CARRIGORAN HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTRE, NEWMARKET-ON-FERGUS; SATURDAY, 25TH NOV; 10AM - 3PM; COST: €20 (INCLUDES TEA/COFFEE/LIGHT LUNCH.) REGISTRATION FROM 9.30AM. **Focus of the Day** - Our lives today are full of preoccupations and enslavements. Where can we find a more spacious and free place to be? This day will explore this question through conversation and contemplation. To ATTEND CONTACT: Anthony Lenihan: 087 616 3492; [alenihan1@eircom.net](mailto:alenihan1@eircom.net); Donagh O' Meara: 087 232 2140 or Maureen Kelly: 087 2890942 [mkelly@killalodiocese.ie](mailto:mkelly@killalodiocese.ie).

## UL Ennis General Hospital Remembrance

Mass Saturday 2nd December; 6pm; Ennis Hospital for the people who died in the last year in the Hospital.

## Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Toirbhirt na Maighdine Muire

Ar an Mháirt seo chugainn an 21 Samhain comórfar Toirbhirt na Maighdine Muire. De réir béaloidis na hEaglaise thug tuismitheoirí na Maighdine Muire í go hIarlúsailéim nuair a bhí sí trí bliana d'aois chun í a thoirbhirt do Dhia sa Teampall. Ón 6ú haois bhí an fhéile seo á cheiliúradh ag an Eaglais san Oirthear. Sa bhliain 1372 cheadaigh an Pápa Greagóir X1 í a chomórath san Iarthar agus sa bhliain 1585 d'ordaigh an Pápa Sixtus V don eaglais uile an fhéile a cheiliúradh gach bliain.

*Bhí muintir na hÉireann an-ómósach do Mhuire i gcónaí. Is iad seo a leanas liosta de na teidil ar Mhuire a scríobh an file Piaras Mac Gearailt san 18ú haois:*

Crann Soilse is Criostal na Críostaíochta,  
Farrage na Daonnachta,  
Grianán na Glóire,  
Réaltán Eolais gach Seachránaigh,  
Bean Réitigh na Feirge,  
Seomra Séad na Suáilce,  
Tuile na nGrásta,  
Tonn Chliodhna na Trócaire.

Next Tuesday 21 November is the feast of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. According to the oral tradition of the Catholic Church the parents of Mary brought her, aged three, to Jerusalem to present her to God in the Temple. From the 6th century the feast was celebrated by the Eastern Church. In 1372 Pope Gregory X1 allowed it to be celebrated in the West and in 1585 Pope Sixtus declared that it was to be observed by the whole church.

*Irish people had great respect always for Our Lady. The following is a list of Marian titles written by the poet Piaras Mac Gearailt in the 18th century:*

Luminary of Christianity,  
Sea of humanity,  
Bower of glory,  
Guiding star of those who stray,  
Dispeller of anger,  
Source of virtue,  
Wellspring of grace  
The Clíodhna wave of Mercy.

## Sale Of Work

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Saturday 25th November  
in aid of  
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# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

*The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.*

*You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.*

## 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 book of Proverbs.

Pr. 31:10-13.19-20.30-31

A perfect wife - who can find her?

She is far beyond the price of pearls.

Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life.

She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands.

She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle.

She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy.

Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise.

Give her a share in what her hands have worked for and let her works tell Her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord

## Responsorial Psalm

*Response: O Blessed are those who fear the Lord.*

O blessed are those who fear the Lord  
And walk in his ways!

By the labour of your hands you shall eat.

You will be happy and prosper. *R*

Your wife is like a fruitful vine  
In the heart of your house;  
Your children like shoots of the olive,  
around your table. *R*

Indeed thus shall be blessed  
The man who fears the Lord.

May the Lord bless you from Zion

In a happy Jerusalem  
All the days of your life. *R*

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

1 Th 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Even if you have to die, says the Lord,  
Keep faithful, and I will give you

The crown of life. **Alleluia!**

## A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Mt. 25:14-30

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir", he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

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

*To be near God is my happiness,  
To place my hope in God the Lord.*