



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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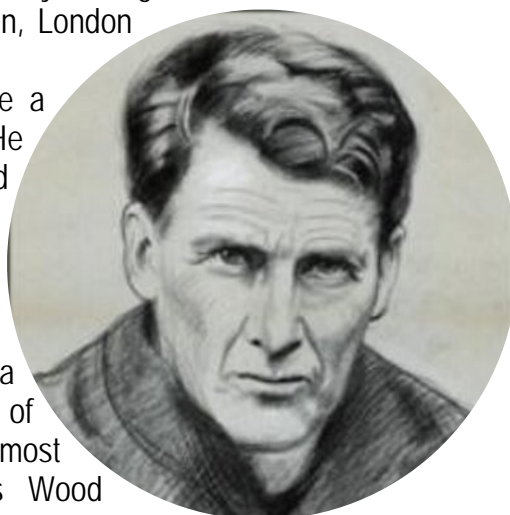
Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year A) 21st May, 2017

“The Saint on the Bicycle”

Fr. John Sullivan was honoured with the title Blessed at a special Beatification ceremony on Saturday last May 13th in St. Francis Xavier Church, Gardiner Street, Dublin. He is considered by the Church to be truly holy and worthy of veneration. The next stage of Beatification is sainthood. John Sullivan was born in 1861 to a wealthy Dublin Family. His father went on to become the Lord Chancellor of Ireland. He was raised in the Church of Ireland tradition before converting to Catholicism in 1896. He was a gifted student awarded a gold medal in the classics from Trinity College. He continued his studies at Lincoln's Inn, London and was called to the Bar in 1888.

By this time he decided to become a Catholic he had returned to Dublin. He was a frequent visitor to hospitals and would bring gifts of snuff and packages of tea to patients. He would also read to them from his religion books.

He eventually decided to become a priest and was ordained a member of the Jesuit order in 1907. He spent most of his priestly life in Clongowes Wood College in Kildare where he is vividly remembered for his care and devotion to the sick, elderly and the poor. He spent much of his time walking and cycling to those in need in the nearby villages and towns. The locals knew him as “the saint on the bicycle”. People remember his cross it was a gift from his mother (who was a Catholic) and from whom John inherited a deep devotion to the cross, a devotion which became the dominant thread in his spirituality and pastoral life.



Fr. John Sullivan's cross was often brought to the sick and troubled after his death. People believed they were cured of troubles and ailment through Fr. John's intercession. I often use the following prayer - maybe it has an echo for you:

I carry a cross in my pocket,
A simple reminder to me
That I am a Christian,
No matter where I may be.
This little cross is n't magic,
Nor is it a good luck charm.
It is n't meant to protect me
From every physical harm.
It's not for identification
For all the world to see.
It's simply an understanding
Between my Savior and me.
When I put my hand in my pocket
To bring out a coin or a key,
The cross is there to remind me
Of the price He paid for me.
It reminds me too, to be thankful
For my blessings every day,
And to strive to serve Him better
In all that I do or say.
It's also a daily reminder
Of the peace and comfort I share
With all who know my Master
And give themselves to His care.
So, I carry a cross in my pocket
Reminding none but me
That Jesus Christ is Lord of my life,
If only I'll let Him be.

Cathedral

Remembered in Masses this Week:

6.30pm: Mass for the People.

Sun:9am:Sheila & Tom Cotter, Loughville.

Michael Tuohy, Parnell St.

10.30am: Madge Moloney, Mc Namara Pk.

Paddy & Rita, Doolan, St. Patrick's Tce.

Eileen Lynch, Cahercalla.

James Kelly, Collins Park.

Michael & Una O'Meara, Limerick Rd.

Ted Barron, The Hazels, Tulla Rd.

Noel Ryan & family, Dalcassian Ave.

Bernie Guinnane, Mc Namara Pk.

12noon: **Irish Kidney Association**

Mass of Remembrance and Thanksgiving.

Mon:7.45am: Cathal Ryan, Shanaway Rd.

10am:Sylvester Keane, Garranakilla, Upper Market St.

7.30pm:James,Delia,Ger & Ettie Cosgrove, Clare Rd.

Tues:7.45am: Book of Intentions.

10am:Celine Daly, Phoenix Court.

7.30pm:Frank & Sally O'Dea, Park Avenue.

Wed:7.45am: Special intention.

10am:Paddy O'Connell, Kilrush & Lahinch Rd .

7.30pm:Christopher Harry Guinnane, Lt of Hermitage.

Thurs:7.45am:Delia Reidy, Golf Links Rd.

10am:John Maughan Stone Court.

7.30pm:Alfred & Nora Tuohy, Golf Links Rd.

Fri:7.45am:Mass for the People.

10am:Flan Ryan, Drumcliffe.

7.30pm:Nell Hanley, New Road, 1st Anniv

Sat:10am:Dwain Walzer, USA.

6.30pm: Paddy O'Connell, Cloonbeg, Shanballa, 1st Anniv

Sun:9am: Mary & Gerard Davoren, Kilfenora.

10.30am: Eamonn Moloney, McNamara Park.

Owen & Eileen Griffen, Buttermarket.

Bridget & Michael Keane, Kilrush Rd.

Claire, Flan, Paddy & Fr. Michael O'Donohue Parnell St.

Bessey MBE Okoi, Crossriver State, Nigeria. MM

12noon:John McCabe, Newport, Roslevan. MM

Roster for Cathedral:

Sunday 28th May, 2017

Readers: Group 5

Eucharistic Ministers Weekday: Group 2

Eucharistic Ministers Sunday: Group 3



Cloughleigh



Remembered in Masses this Week:

Sun 9.30am: Joan Coote, Considine Rd.

11am: Ciara Fox, Hermitage.

Tue 9.30am: Book of Intentions.

Sun 9.30am:Jack & Molly Burke & family, Dunsallagh.

11am: Bunny & Paddy Tuohy, Old Mill St.

The Diocese has introduced Child Friendly safeguarding leaflets and a poster, which can be found in the Porch and Parish Centre. Our **Safeguarding Policy** recognises each child as a gift from God, and we value and encourage the participation of children in all activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, intellectual and social development within the Parish.

Hospital & Sick Calls

21st May, 2017

Priest on Duty:

Fr. Tom Hogan

Wednesday:

Fr. Dariusz Plasek

Duty Phone: 065 6869098

Divine Mercy Chaplet

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

Month Mind Mass for Fr. Tony Cronin

to be celebrated in the Poor Clare Chapel on Monday 22nd May at 11.30am

Young Pioneers



On Saturday evening June 3rd at the 6:30pm Mass in the Cathedral together with their parents and the Christian community, the students who made confirmation this year are invited to make a promise:- to abstain from alcoholic drink until they are eighteen years and to abstain from drugs for life. You their parents will stand with them and be asked to support and encourage them to keep this promise.

We would appreciate all who wish to participate to come to the front section of the church at 6:15pm. We invite the many youth who over the years became young pioneers to this mass too.

Once again thanking you and wishing you from all of us in the parish every blessing and happiness for the years ahead with your child's education and career.

Fatima 1917 - 2017

Holy Rosary hour marking the Centenary of the Apparitions at Fatima. Thanking Our Lady for her maternal care. Rosary at the Square, Ennis first Saturday 3rd June at 2.30p. All welcome



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:

Sun 8am: John, Rose, Seán O'Sullivan, Kevin Barry Ave.

10am: Dilly & Jimmy O'Halloran, Avondale, St.Senan's Rd.

11.30am: Johnny & Cathal Mulcaire, Cahercalla Hts.

Mon 11am: John Breslin, Sligo.

Tues 11am: Kevin McEnnis, Lifford Road.

Wed 11am: Donor's Intention.

Thu 11am: Matt & Mary Coughlan, Mallow.

Fri 11am: Donor's Intention.

Sat 11am: Patrick Flynn, Lifford Rd.

2pm: Jimmy Keane, Corrovorran Green. MM

7pm: Maureen Skelly, New Rd.

Sun 10am: Margaret & Paddy Quinn, Limerick Rd.

11.30am: Seamus O'Sullivan, Rosanore.

Rest in Peace

Mons Leo Herbert, Atlanta U.S.A. & late Enniskillen, brother of Richard, Pine Grove; Marie King (nee Woods), Moyglass, Crusheen & Cloughleigh Rd, Martha Letuko, Lesaltho & Ennis; Bessey MBE Okoi, Crossriver State, Nigeria, mother of Faith Omorodion,



*Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near;*

Newly Baptised

We welcome into the Christian Community through the Sacrament of Baptism: **Thomas John Brian William** McDonagh, **Michael Cvoren**, **Alex Anthony** Coyle Hynes, **Nelly Markowska**, **James Patrick** Kelly



Annual Killaloe Diocesan

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on **Sunday 2nd July**, sharing with Ferns as we have in previous years. **Led by Bishop Fintan Monahan**. Ceremonies begin at 2:30pm. For bus transport please contact: Glynn's Coaches: 065 6828234



Mass for Exam Students will be celebrated

Saturday 3rd June; 6pm

Church of Our Lady, Roslevan

Exam Mass Cards

available at Parish Office.



Live the Word:

Time spent in quietness is time to be, to listen without doing, planning or analysing. It is a time to be open to the moment, a time to listen to quite of your mind.

May Devotions in honour of Our Lady

We encourage you to pray the Rosary, (even one decade), particularly during May.

- Corrovorrin Crescent; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- Gallows Hill; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- Dalcassian Pk Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm.
- St. Michael's Villas Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm
- Hermitage Grotto; Rosary daily, 6.30pm,
- Marian Avenue Grotto; Rosary daily, 7pm
- Ballybeg Rosary daily 8pm. Grotto beside the Water tower in Ballybeg.

Devotions

- May 24th at 7pm; Davitt Tce, Cloughleigh.
- May 24th at 7pm; St. Michael's Villas Grotto.
- May 25th at 7.30pm; Hermitage Grotto.
- May 26th at 7pm; Lees Rd.
- May 29th at 7.30pm; Loughville, Lahinch Rd.
- May 30th at 7pm; Buttermarket.
- May 31st at 7pm; Dalcassian Pk.

Bring Flowers of the Rarest

Bring flowers of the rarest
bring blossoms the fairest,
from gardens and woodlands
and hillside and dale;
Our full hearts are swelling,
our glad voices telling
the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale!



Chorus:

*O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today!
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.
O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May.*

We congratulate the Students of the Holy Family Senior School who received their first Holy Communion this weekend. A special word of thanks to parents, guardians, teachers and all who were involved in the preparation programme.

Clare 22 Battalion Association will hold a remembrance ceremony for all who served in the 22 Infantry Battalion FCA; Friday 26th May at the Battalion Monument in the Ennis Peace Park; 7pm. All members, former members and their families are welcome to attend. Refreshments afterwards in the Queens Hotel.

ENNIS TIDY TOWNS Competitions 2017



Entry Forms for Green Areas and Best Kept Garden Competitions now available at Reception, Ennis Chamber of Commerce, 54 O'Connell Street. Phone 0656842988. E-mail info@ennistidytowns.com

Sean-Nós Dance Workshop which will take place on Sunday next in Cois na h-Abhna, Gort Road, Ennis. Its organised by the Ennis Branch of Comhaltas. 2pm - 4pm; teacher Robert Kelly; Admission €10. All levels from beginner are welcome.

Blessing of Babies



**Special blessing for all babies
Baptised during the year,
Cathedral 21st May 2pm.**

Stilling the Heart, Opening the Mind: A Christian Approach with Martina Lehane Sheehan: This workshop will be held in the Carrigoran Health and Wellness Centre, Newmarket on Fergus; Saturday, 27th May; 10am - 4pm; Cost - €20 (Includes Tea/Coffee/Light Lunch). To apply contact: Anthony Lenihan 087 6163492 alenihan1@eircom.net or Maureen Kelly 087 289 0942 mkelly@killalodiocese.ie

Mass will be celebrated in Quin Church on Friday May 26th. at 7.30 p.m. in memory of those who have died by suicide and for their relatives and friends. This has been requested by the organisers of the Charity Horse Ride in aid of Clare Suicide Bereavement Support.

"Transport for All" Conference; Temple Gate Hotel; Friday May 26th; 10.30 to 2pm. Issues on access to both public and private transport for people in Clare. Speaker, Brothers of Charity, Shannon Airport, Bus Eireann and others. Run by Clare Citizen Information Services and the Clare Leader Forum. All welcome.

Come and Celebrate the GOLDEN JUBILEE of Charismatic Renewal 1967-2017. Sat 24th June; RDS Concert Hall, Dublin; ONE Day National Event; 10am concluding with Mass at 6.30pm with Archbishop Eamon Martin and speaker Fr Pat Collins, C.M. etc. Tickets €20 purchased at event. Contact Frank 087 9652864; to book return bus from Ennis/Shannon €25.

Fundraiser in Aid of Pieta House: Social Dance at Tracey's West County Hotel, Fri May 26th 8.30-11.30pm. Music by Frank Nash. Adm: €10. Raffle on the night. Enquiries: Pascal 087-6615890. Please support!

Shannon Crematorium: An invitation is extended to the public to come and view the new Crematorium at Illaunmanagh Cemetery Shannon; Sunday next 28th May; 1pm - 5pm.

Archaeological and Historical Society: Summer outing 'Forgotten Quin'; Thursday 25th May; 7pm. Joseph McCooney leads a trip to Quin to talk on the archaeology of Quin Abbey. Meet at the gate facing the Abbey Tavern. Appropriate footwear advised. Outings are free to members, €5 non-members. Hope you can join us! Any queries please contact Frances at fogorman51@gmail.com Tel 0872262259

Clare Youth Service annual flag day, Ennis; Saturday May 27th. We will be situated in different posts around the town. The organisation relies heavily on donations and contributions. Your support is appreciated. Thank You.

Bingo

Great prizes; Jackpot: €1,500;
In Community Centre
Every Sunday from 8pm.

Sr. Eileen's Cúinne

Muire Fatima

Léirigh An Mhaighdean Mhuire í féin don chéad uair do thriúr pháistí Lucia Santos, Jacinta agus Francisco Marto i Fatima sa Phortaingéil 13 Bealtaine 1917. Thaisteal an Pápa Proinsias go Fatima ar an13 Bealtaine 2017 agus naomhainmigh sé Francisco Marto and Jacinta Marto. Bhí 500,000 i láthair ag an searmanas. Ina sheanmóir ghuigh sé chuig an Mhaighdean Mhuire ar son daoine leochaileacha agus iad gan chosaint, go háirithe daoine breoite, daoine míchumasacha, príosúnaigh, daoine difhostaithe, daoine bochta, daoine tréigthe agus ar son na síochána. I mbliain seo comóradh an chéid is léir go bhfuil oillithrigh ó gach aird den domhan, Éireannaigh ina measc, ag tabhairt aghaidh ar Fatima in onóir na Maighdine Muire. Is féidir linn oillithreacht a dhéanamh chuig Muire inár gcroí féin am nó áit ar bith agus an Paidrín Páirteach (an Choróin Mhuire) a rá go deabhóideach. Abair:

*A Mhuire na ngrást, a Mháthair Mhic Dé,
go gcuire tú ar mo leas mé.*

*Go sábhála tú mé ar gach uile olc,
go sábhála tú mé idir anam is chorp.*

Go sábhála tú mé ar muir is ar thír,

go sábhála tú mé ar leic na bpian.

Garda na n-aingeal os mo chionn,

Dia romham agus Dia liom. Áiméan

Our Lady appeared to Lúcia Santos and her cousins Jacinta and Francisco Marto in Fatima, Portugal for the first time on 13 May 1917. Pope Francis canonised Francisco Marto and Jacinta Marto on 13 May 2017. The ceremony was attended by more than 500,000 people. In his homily Pope Francis prayed that Our Lady would protect the most vulnerable members of society, especially the sick and the disabled, prisoners the unemployed, the poor, the abandoned and for world peace. In this centenary year of the apparitions, pilgrims from all over the world including Ireland are visiting Fatima to honour of Our Lady. We can all make a pilgrimage to Our Lady in our hearts and recite the rosary fervently.

*Mary full of grace, Mother of God,
guide me on the right path*

*May you save me from every evil;
may you save me body and soul.*

May you save me at sea and on land;

may you save me from hell.

A guard of angels over me;

God before me and God with me.

Feast of Pentecost

The scriptural account of Pentecost contained in the Acts of the Apostles is a passage rich in meaning, theology and one which should inspire us in the journey of faith. Fr. Ger Fitzgerald invites you to a short presentation on the story of Pentecost as found in Scripture on Friday night, June 2nd at 8pm in the Parish Centre.

Today's Scripture Readings

Entrance Antiphon:

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;

Proclaim to the ends of the earth:

The Lord has freed his people, 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

Ac 8:5-8.14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

R. 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 for ever 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 for me.

R

A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

1 Pt 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,

And my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'

Alleluia.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jn 14:15-21

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth

whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live. On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you. Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

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

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,

And I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,

To abide with you for ever, alleluia.