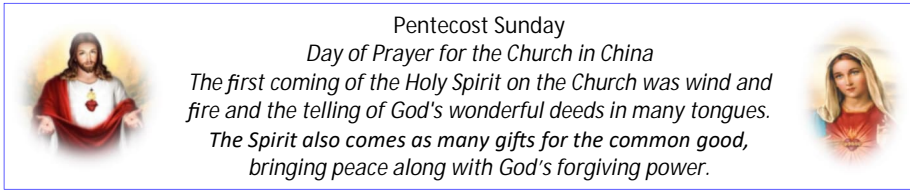


The Parishioner

Sunday 24-May-2026



The Family of Parishes of: Ballincollig | Ballinora | Kilmurry | Ovens and Farran

Come Holy Spirit



Today we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost - the birthday of the Church. Following the Ascension of Jesus his disciples returned to Jerusalem where, because of their fear of the Jews, they remained behind locked doors in the security of the 'upper room'. Into this room Jesus comes bringing peace. He breathes the Holy Spirit on them. With the gift of the Spirit they are liberated from their fear and empowered to leave the Upper Room to go out to preach the Gospel.

In spite of being a timid little group they now find the courage they never knew they had to go out on to the streets to proclaim the Good News of the Risen Christ. The same disciples who had scattered after Jesus' arrest were now gathering people together for Christ. The disciples who were too scared to appear at the foot of the Cross were now proclaiming God's love. They proclaimed how their lives had been transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit and expressed the wonders God had worked in them.

On that first Pentecost, through the preaching of the disciples, many people became believers. Ever since then, the Gospel message has been proclaimed throughout the world. Proclaiming the Gospel today is not easy; so many reject Christ and his teachings and the Church he founded. Many people, for different reasons, experience being 'locked in' in their own lives, maybe living in fear, and yet wanting to experience liberation and peace. When we look back to what the first disciples encountered we find great reason for hope. If the Holy Spirit could work such wonders in them and through them, then surely he can do great things in us and through us if we allow him.

In today's second reading St Paul says that "no one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless they are under the influence of the Holy Spirit". He goes on to say that there is a variety of gifts, but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people. It is the same God who is working in all of us. Let us ask the Spirit to make us aware of the gifts we have received and to appreciate the different gifts in other people. Realizing that we all have different gifts, we are invited to work together using our gifts, to build up and to serve the needs of our parish community to which we belong. We have been gifted with the Holy Spirit and the Lord continues to work wonders in and through us.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love!

All-Ireland Rosary Rally

The 41st Annual All-Ireland Rosary Rally takes place on Saturday, June 6, 2026, at Knock Shrine, Co. Mayo, with over 10,000 pilgrims expected to gather for prayer, guest speakers, and Mass, including a special focus on praying for peace and the reconsecration of Ireland to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Bus leaves Cloghroe Church at 7am returning at 9.30 approx.

Toilet on board.

More info from Margaret Griffin 0879008235

Ballincollig Parish Eucharistic Procession

The Ballincollig annual Eucharistic Procession will take place on Saturday 6th June. The Procession will leave the church of St. Mary & St. John immediately after the 6pm Vigil Mass (approx. 6.40pm) and proceed down Station Road, on to the Main Street as far as Bank of Ireland, turn right down to the Ballincollig Credit Union and back to Church View for Benediction. You and your family are invited to take part in the Eucharistic Procession. Families of children who received their First Holy Communion and who celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation recently are especially invited to take part. Please make every effort to attend.

Death is not extinguishing the Light, but putting out the Lamp because the Dawn has come.

Invitation to Ballincollig Parishioners!

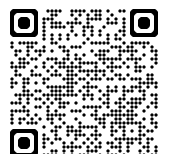
Bishop Fintan Gavin invited Ballincollig parishioners of all ages to participate in 100 consecutive hours of Eucharistic Adoration from June 3-7, symbolizing one hour for each year since the first Eucharistic Procession in Cork City took place. Our dedicated time of the adoration is Friday 5th of June between 8-9pm in Ss. Peter and Paul's church in Cork city. We can attend the Adoration individually or as a prayer group representing Ballincollig Parish.

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and renew the face of the earth.

Ballincollig Parish Number for Priest on Duty is: 087 4021357
For Parish office Telephone is 089 4008181 Mon - Wed. 9.00am - 12.30pm

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† IN SYMPATHY †
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Johnny Carroll, Ballincollig/Dunmanway.
Kathleen Money (nee Dobbyn), Main Street.
Agnes Conachey, Cherry Walk.
Patrick (Pat) O'Driscoll, Ballincollig / Upton.

Birthday Remembrance
May Keohane, Inniscarra.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS OR OTHERWISE REMEMBERED:

Martin & Letty Moore, Beech Park.
Lloyd Dalton, Highfield.
Brendan Keohane, Rossmore/Ovens.
Margaret & Cornelius McMahan, Model Farm Road.
Pascal Hedderman, Beech Park.
Con Sexton, Hillsboro.
Patrick O'Driscoll, Castlepark.
Dec. mem's of Sisk & O'Driscoll families.
Michael, Mary & Kieran McNulty, Fr. Sexton Park.
Jean Kearney, Fr. Sexton Park & Beech Rd.
Ruth O'Brien, Glanmire.
Jimmy & Paddy O'Donovan, Leap.
Seán O'Sullivan, Macroom.
Séamus Casey, Ballinhassig.
Niall Purcell, Kilcrea Park.
James O'Donoghue, West Village.
Eugene Barry Murphy, Farran.
Eileen O Mahony, Carrigrohane.
Catherine Moroney, Elm Lawn, Muskerry Estate.
Dan Butler, Clash Road.
Denis O'Mahony, City West, Ballincollig.
Nellie Collins, Ovens/Westgate.

**Reflection and Prayer Resources for 2026
World Day of Social Communications**

As you know, the Ascension of the Lord was celebrated on, Sunday 17 May, which also marked the 60th Anniversary of the World Day of Social Communications themed, Preserving human voices and faces. Archbishop Eamon Martin, in his role as chair for the Bishops' Council for Communications invites parishes, schools, youth groups, families and all communicators to use the attached resources to reflect on this year's message. Resources can also be accessed by clicking <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/resources-for-the-2026-world-day-of-social-communications/>

Update from the Irish Synodal Pathway

The National Synodal Pathway has reached an important moment in its journey. Currently, the working groups are meeting periodically to explore more deeply the seven priorities identified by the Catholic Church in discerning what God is asking of the Church in Ireland today. To learn more about this journey, please follow this link: <https://theway.ie/julieann-moran-shares-update-as-national-synodal-pathway-reaches-important-phase/>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Eight Week In Ordinary Time

24 Sunday cts 2:1-11. Ps. 103. Cor. 12:3-7, 12-13. Jn. 20:19-23. Lect I: 601
25 Monday The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
26 Tuesday 1 Pet 1:10-16. Ps 97. Mk 10:28-31. Lect II: 551
27 Wednesday 1 Pet 1:18-25. Ps 147. Mk 10:32-45. Lect II: 553
28 Thursday 1 Pet 2:2-5, 9-12. Ps 99. Mk 10:46-52. Lect II: 555
29 Friday 1 Pet 4:7-13. Ps 95. Mk 11:11-26. Lect II: 557
30 Saturday Jude 17:20-25. Ps 62. Mk 11:27-33. Lect II: 560

Next Sunday's Readings 31-May-2026
Ex. 34:4-6, 8-9. Ps. Dan. 3. 2 Pet. 13:11-13. Jn. 3:16-18. Lect II: 611

Ballincollig Mass Times

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light
8:30 am, 10 am	Sunday	11 am, 12:30 pm
9:30 am	Monday	No Morning Mass
9:30 am	Tuesday	No Morning Mass
9:30 am	Wednesday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Thursday	8:30 am
9:30 am	Friday	8:30 am
6:00 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	7:30 pm (Vigil)

Ballincollig Bulletin Board

Coeliac Hosts

Low gluten hosts are available and suitable for Coeliac's. Please inform the priest prior to Mass if possible if you require it.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 3p.m. until 4p.m. in St. Mary & St. John's Church every Friday.

Meditation

Meditation continues in the Ballincollig Community Hall on Tuesday morning after 9.30am Mass. New members welcome.

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to the girls and boys in Scoil Barra and Gaelscoil an Chaisleáin who received the sacrament of Holy Communion this weekend. Sincere thanks to the parents and dedicated teachers who work diligently preparing young people for the sacrament.

Diocesan Pioneer Mass & Information Meeting

The Annual Diocesan Pioneer Mass will take place on Friday night 12th June at 7.30p.m. in The Church of The Sacred Heart, Glounthane. If you or a member of your family are due to receive an emblem for your Pioneer membership as Diamond, Golden or Silver Jubilarian or if you would like to join the Pioneers as an Adult or a Young Pioneer, please contact Sorcha Uí Laoghaire at 086 36 42619 / email sorchaol@gmail.com or Aislinn Cogan 087 969 9488 / Aislinncogan@gmail.com as soon as possible as there will be a presentation of pins after this Mass.

A special Pioneer Information and Consultation meeting, regarding new developments in the Pioneer Association, will take place on Saturday 6th June in the Clayton Silver Springs Hotel from 2 p.m. - 4p.m. For any queries, please contact sorchaol@gmail.com/ 0863642619.

Ovens & Farran Parish

Parish Contact Details

Parish Phone No's.
 Fr. John McCarthy Co-PP 021 4871180
 Mobile No.: 087 0956190
 Parish Centre / Sacristy: 0214289768
 Email: ovensfarranparish@gmail.com
 Ring for bookings : Baptisms & Marriages etc.
 Farran contact is Ann Brennan after Saturday / Sunday Masses.
 Parish Centre office Hours: Tues, 5-7pm, Weds/Thurs 10am-12pm

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Sunday Masses

Ovens: 11.30 am
 Farran: 9.30am

Weekday Masses

Ovens: 9.30 am Wednesday and Friday
 Farran: 9.30 am Tuesday and Thursdays

Vigil Masses for May 2026

Farran 23 rd May	Ovens 30 th May
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Vigil Mass is held in Ovens every 1st 3rd and 5th Saturday and every 2nd and 4th Saturday in Farran

Weekend Anniversaries 23rd / 24th May

Farran: 6pm: Noel McCarthy, Farran
 Con Murphy, Currahally
 Farran: 9.30am: Dan Joe and Evelyn Gleeson, Ballineadig
 Ovens: 11.30am: John Aldworth, Ballygroman


Recently Deceased

Mary Lynch, Currabeg (Our condolences to her Family)

Rosary for the Month of May at The Grottos

Farran: 7.30pm each Wednesday Ovens: 7.30pm each Friday

Inauguration of Statue of St Carlo Acutis

 During the Masses on 23rd/24th May in Farran/Ovens parish, we will be installing the statue of St. Carlo Acutis. To mark this occasion, Mr Stephen Murray, Principal of Mount Saint Michael's this weekend. *An invitation is open to everybody to attend Masses this weekend.*

Walshestown Mass

The Annual Walshestown Grotto and Holy well Mass will be held on next Tuesday 26th of May at 7.30pm.

Cork Regional Pioneer Council

A special Pioneer Information and Consultation meeting, regarding new developments in the Pioneer Association, will take place on Saturday 6th June in the Clayton Silver Springs Hotel from 2 p.m. - 4p.m. For any queries, please contact sorchaol@gmail.com/ 0863642619

Fun Run T

The Annual Farran Fun run on behalf of Farran Parents Association takes place on Thursday 4th of June at 7pm in Farran woods. A beautiful and chip timed 5km run Followed by refreshments baked by the parents of Farran National School.

Entry for the 5km is €10, entry for the kids 2k race is €5.

Online entries are available: <https://eventmaster.ie/event/9nkOFw5HWJ>

Registration opens at 5.30pm on the evening of the race.

All funds raised go towards resources and activities for Farran NS.

Crann Centre, Ovens.

The Crann Centre is inviting people to participate and raise funds for this year's Walk n'Roll, taking place between June 1st and 7th.

<https://www.idonate.ie/event/WalknRoll2026>

Ballinora Parish

Fr. John Collins PE

Mass Times

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
10am	No Mass	10am	10am	10am	7.30pm	10am
Mass Times are Subject to Change						

Mass Intentions

- Sat 23rd May: Jim Thornton
- Sun 24th May: Jim Shields
- Fri. 29th May: Mary O'Hanlon
- Sat. 30th May: Michael Fitzgerald
- Sun. 31st May: Shirley Cahil

Legion of Mary

Weekly Meeting: Wednesday 12.30pm in the church.
 New Members always welcome.

St. Vincent De Paul Collection

Monthly Collection will be held the first weekend in each. (Except January, July and December) Volunteers urgently needed!!

If you are willing to help with the monthly collections in Ballinora or Ballincollig, please call Des Hickey on 086-8347149

First Friday

The first Friday of each month there will be a Rosary recited in the church at 9.30am before Mass. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after Mass until 11am.

Hour of Adoration

Every Tuesday there will be a Service of Word and Eucharist at 7pm followed by an Hour of Adoration in the Church

Newsletter Contact Details

The Newsletter will be issued every second weekend. Please submit any pieces to the below address and we will publish this. It could be a local event, a charity fundraiser you are holding or just some news on your club/group you would like to share.
 Ballinora.news@gmail.com

Next newsletter deadline is 27th May at 5pm

Student's Prayer Card

As I begin to study for the exams I face
 I ask you Lord for the courage and grace
 to meet this challenge and do my best
 to stay calm and focused during the test.
 This prayer I make to you today,
 help me Lord and with me stay

*Cork & Ross Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes
 September 18th to 23rd*

The Cork and Ross Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from the 18th to the 23rd this year under the patronage of Bishop Fintan Gavin. Flights are from Cork Airport direct to Lourdes Airport. You can travel as a pilgrim with a full daily pilgrimage program, or if you require assistance to travel then you can come as one of our Assisted Pilgrims and stay in special assisted accommodation. To make this pilgrimage possible for our assisted pilgrims we need in the region of 130 volunteers to come, so maybe you might be someone who can come as a helper, and have a very rewarding and fulfilling experience? Choice of hotels are available from €939. Call Joe Walsh Tours on 01 2410800 to book a place. For any general enquiries email or call Mary on lourdes@corkandross.org or 085 2525 040.

Kilmurry Parish
 Fr. Kieron O'Driscoll Co-PP
 Mobile 085-8356888

St. Mary's Church Kilmurry - Parish Church

Mass Times Sunday: 10:00am
 Weekday Mass: Monday 10am, and
 Monsignor O'Callaghan celebrates Mass on Friday at 10am
 Confession by appointment
 Sacristy: Anne O'Callaghan
 Please note Mass Times may vary.

St. Joseph's Church Cloughduv

Mass Times Sunday: 11:30am
 Weekday Mass Wednesday 10am
 Confession by appointment
 Sacristy: Tessie Buckley
 Please note Mass Times may vary.

St. John the Baptist Church Canovee

Mass Times Saturday 6:30pm Vigil
 Weekday Mass Tuesday 10am
 Please note Mass Times may vary.
 Confession by appointment
 Sacristy: Nuala Crowley

Notice to Parishioners

To have items included in the next Kilmurry Parish newsletter, please send details to Peter at kilmurry.news1@gmail.com Before lunchtime on Wednesday.

Gaelic Football Summer Camp

A new Gaelic football summer camp for children aged 5-13 will take place from July 6th - 9th, running daily from 9.30am to 2.00pm at Canovee National School (P12 W628). Children from any club are welcome as well as those looking to try Gaelic football for the first time. The camp will include coaching, games, a championship tournament, penalty shootouts and more.

Cost €100 (1st child) €90 (2nd child). Spaces are limited.

To book: Text Connor on 087-6963274

May Rosary

Rosary at Crookstown Grotto every Tuesday night at 8pm during the month of May

Catholic Faith Camp for Teenagers

Sports Arts & Crafts Catechesis
 June 7th, 13th, 2026 (Boys and Girls) Knockadoon (East Cork) Age: post-primary school age.

To book or enquire go to website or ring Fr Roche on 086 9972539 www.campcreideamh.ie

Cloughduv Church 155th Commemoration

Last weekends 155th commemoration for Cloughduv Church and the book launch of Kilmurry parish history was a great success and thanks to that attended.

The book can be purchased in local shops or from the Sacristys of Canovee, Kilmurry or Cloughduv Churches after weekend masses at €15 each

The Word of God Prayer Group

The Macroom Group will hold an afternoon of Prayer, Praise, Talks and Intercession on Pentecost Sunday May 24th from 3 pm to 6 pm in Coolcower House - Come and celebrate Pentecost together.

All are warmly welcome

FATIMA Pilgrimage/Holiday

Ex CORK Airport. Thursday July 2nd to 9th. Our Spiritual Director is Rev. Fr. (Archdeacon) Neilus O'Donnell. For further details please contact Patsy Foley on 087-6798810.

First Reading: Acts: 2:1-11

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

The apostle Paul wrote that there are many gifts but the same Spirit, different ministries but the same Lord.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

Jesus appeared and told the disciples, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit."

New Learning Opportunity



Attached is a notice about an exciting new learning opportunity for people in the 55+ age group that will be based in the Carraig Centre in Ballincollig. The inaugural meeting on May 27 at 2pm will provide a chance for people to give their ideas and input about the type of workshop-based courses they would be interested in.

Mindset & Wellbeing Event

Saturday, May 30th-10am to 2 pm
 The Talbot Hotel - Main St, Ballincollig, Cork, P31DY93

Event Outline

- 10.00 -11.20 = Guest Speakers
- 11.20 -12.00 = Networking & Coffee Break
- Pop-Up Shops & Door Prizes
- 12.00 - 1.30 = Guest Speakers |
- 1.30 - 2.00 = Panel Discussion

€35 - Pre-Booking Is Essential - Tickets on Eventbrite
 For further info, contact Margaret Keohane on 085 877 5451 | keohanem36@gmail.com

Guest Speakers:

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| Megan Casey | Mindset & Business Coach |
| Margaret Keohane | Counsellor & Psychotherapist |
| Sinead O'Neill | Business Growth Strategist |
| Elaine O'Leary | Psychotherapist |

The first to APOLOGISE is the Bravest.
 The first to FORGIVE is the Strongest.
 The first to FORGET is the Happiest.