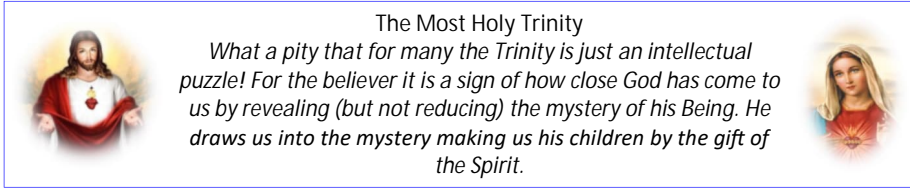


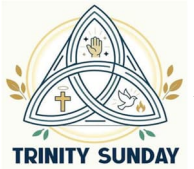
The Parishioner

Sunday 31-May-2026



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The Oil of Gladness



The oil of joy, and the oil of gladness, are two oils that are mentioned in the Holy Bible.

Jesus was anointed by God with the oil of gladness, above His fellows, but God also anointed Him with the Holy Ghost and with power. Both the oil of gladness and the oil of joy both represent the Holy Spirit. So, let's look at the substance of oil.

Oil is 'fatness' and 'excess'. 'Anointing' is an action of being rubbed with oil or to be saturated with God, for a specific calling or need. Therefore, the oil of gladness is to literally be greased with excessive gladness; or greased with excessive joy. Spiritually, being anointed with either oils, is to be excessively anointed with the oil of the Holy/Spirit or excessively having the Holy Spirit's indwelling within you. Both the Old Testament and the New Testament speak of the 'Servant' aka our Lord Jesus Christ, being anointed with the oil of gladness and the oil of joy.

Jesus was consecrated by being saturated with the oils (The Holy Spirit) for the specific purpose of the Messianic Office. That was the specific calling or need, on His life. The anointing or saturation furnished Him with the necessary powers for its administration. Jesus knew what He was anointed or saturated with the Holy spirit of extreme joy and extreme gladness to do so and said so. Jesus would do so above His fellows (those sharing and partaking as a partner in dignity, office, and work.) God 'anointed' Jesus with 'exceeding joy', excessively, surpassed anyone else with whom He had to do.)

The oil of joy and the oil of gladness would give Jesus' power. It will also give every Christian power. A power that allows the Christian to strongly stand joyfully or gladly, for the things of God.

How can we obtain the oil of gladness? For us to obtain the oil of gladness and be excessively saturated with it, the Christian has to: Spend time in prayer; Spend time worshipping God; Spend time enriching your soul and spirit via Bible Study. The Oil of gladness has the power to set your affection and eyes on the Holy Trinity.

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.

'I alone cannot change the world, but I can cast a stone across the waters to create many ripples.'

Mother Teresa.

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.

Happy the people the Lord had chosen as his own.

Ballincollig Parish Number for Priest on Duty is: 087 4021357
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† IN SYMPATHY †
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Johnny Carroll, Castleknock/Dunmanway.
Pat O'Driscoll, Castlepark/Upton.
Noreen Browne, Parknamore Heights/Millstreet.
Billy O'Keeffe, Muskerry Estate.

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

John O'Sullivan, Westcliffe/Carrigadrohid.
William & Catherine Ryan, St Anthonys Lawn.
George Meade, Ballincollig/Crosshaven.
Maurice (Mossie) Galvin, Carriganarra/Kilmurray.
Paddy O'Leary, St Endas Road.
Damien Lucey, Rosewood/Australia.
John Finnuane, Parknamore Rise.
Denis Jordan, Muskerry Estate.
Jack Sexton, Carrigrohane.
Jerry O'Callaghan, Carrigrohane.
Noel & Tony Sexton, Gardiner's Hill.
Margaret Hansen, Denmark.
Josephine O'Connell, Inniscarra View.
Frank Cleary, Muskerry Estate.
Tom Cleary, Muskerry Estate/Ontario.
Mary & Fergus Cadwell, Muskerry Est./Douglas.
Jennifer Forde, Carriganarra.
Martin Canny, Leesdale Drive.
Martina McCarthy, Muskerry Estate.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Ninth Week In Ordinary Time

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

01 Monday 2 Pet 1:2-7. Ps 90. Mk 12:1-12. Lect I: 562

02 Tuesday 2 Pet. 3:11-15, 17-18. Ps. 89. Mk.12:13-17. Lect I: 564

03 Wednesday 2 Tim. 1:1-3,6-12. Ps. 122. Mk. 12:18-27. Lect II: 566

04 Thursday 2 Tim. 2:8-15. Ps. 24. Mk. 12:28-34. Lect II: 568

05 Friday 2 Tim. 3: 1 0-17. Ps. 118. Mk. 12:35-37. Lect II: 570

06 Saturday Tim. 4: 1-8. Ps. 70. Mk. 12:38-44. Lect II: 572

Next Sunday's Readings 07-June-2026

Deut. 8:2-3, 14-16. Ps. 147. 1 Cor. 10:16-17. Jn. 6:51-58. Lect I: 617

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)

Mass for Students sitting Exams

As students prepare to sit their state exams in June 2026 the Ballincollig Parish wish to offer them our prayers, encouragement and support during this important time

Mass with a special final blessing will be celebrated in Christ our Light Church

Today Sunday 31st May 2026 at 12:30pm

Students, their families, teachers and school staff are warmly invited to attend

Bunny Guinness Garden Talk

On Saturday, 6th June, acclaimed garden designer Bunny Guinness will give a morning talk sharing insights from her long career in garden and landscape design. Drawing on more than five decades of experience, Bunny will speak about seasonal planting, garden planning, and creating outdoor spaces that are both practical and beautiful. The event takes place from 10.30am – 12 noon, and guests are also welcome to enjoy our Sunlit Soirée Outdoor Living Event afterwards.

Further details can be found on our website (www.thepavilion.ie)

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/>

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 Friday

Friday 5th June is the first Friday of the month. There is Mass in St. Mary & St. John's church on Friday evening at 7.30pm. The priests of the parish visit the sick of the parish on the first Friday of each month; please let us know if you have a family member or neighbour who is sick or housebound.

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

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 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 June 2026

Ovens 30 th May	Ovens 6 th June	Farran 13 th June	Ovens 20 th June	Farran 27 th June
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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 30th / 31st May

Ovens: 6pm: Kitty and Bat O'Mahony, Grange
 Ovens: :11.30am: Kathleen Dunne, South Douglas Road, 1st Anniversary
 Michael and Peg Murphy, Windsor
 Farran: 9.30am: John and Mary Murphy,
 and their son-in- Law , Dan O 'Regan
 Mary Buckley , Knocknashanavee.

Recently Deceased

Sheila Griffin, Currabeg (Our condolences to her Family)

Cemetery Mass

Mass in Kilcrea on Friday the 5th of June at 7.30

Inauguration of Statue of St Carlo Acutis

On Saturday and Sunday last we had the installation of the Statue of St. Carlo Acutis. The Occasion was well attended in both Ovens and Farran. An insightful speech was delivered by Mr Stephen Murray from Rosscarbery, and Fr. Ronan concluded the proceedings by blessing the Statue of St. Carlo.

Corpus Christi

The Procession will take place on Sunday 7th of June after 11.30 mass in Ovens, we invite all our First Communion children to take part and of course everybody is welcome.

Ice Cream Sunday

Fundraiser for Down Syndrome Ireland

The Parish Assembly will have ice cream sales after all masses on the 13th/14th June. Farran: after the 6pm Vigil Mass on Saturday and after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday. Ovens: after 11.30 am Mass on Sunday.

Please support this very worthy cause. Thank you

Fun Run

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, supports individuals and families affected by a wide range of conditions including Spina Biffida, Hydrocephalus, Cerebral Palsy, Muscular Dystrophy, Osteogenesis Impefecta, Arthrogryposis, Spinal Muscular Atrophy, Spinal Cord injury, Stroke and Multiple Sclerosis.

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

- Fri. 29th May: Mary O'Hanlon
- Sat. 30th May: Michael Fitzgerald
- Sun. 31st May: Shirley Cahil

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 10th June at 5pm

BALLINORA LOTTO (GAA/Camogie/LGFA)

Congratulations to our recent Lotto Match 3 winners of €100 each:

Anna Cahill, Paul Holmes, Catherine Lordan, Catherine Twohig. Draws take place every Monday with jackpot now at €12,250

To join the lotto please go to ballinoragaa.ie and open Lotto Quick Guide for online instructions or contact Colm on 085-8759298 for Cash/Revolut options.

Continued thanks to all our lotto players who continue to support development of our grounds and facilities each week through the Ballinora Lotto. Your ongoing contributions are very much appreciated.

Thanking you. Ballinora Lotto Committee

Pet Mass.

Last Sunday saw the celebration of the first Pet Mass in Ballinora. This was part of our 40th anniversary celebrations. What a gorgeous morning. We were blessed with beautiful weather and we had about 30 pets outside in our church "extension" and lots of teddies inside. The idea proved a great success and there was a great social occasion afterwards when tea, coffee and pastries were served. A big thank you to those who organised this event and a massive thank you to all who worked unnoticed behind the scenes moving benches and chairs, putting up the "extension and setting up power for burcos and speakers. We must not forget our musician who provided us with lovely appropriate hymns. A special thanks to our very young readers and gift bearers ye were all fantastic. Lastly thank you Fr John for your enthusiasm for all things new.

Bench

In the last couple of weeks you may have noticed a new bench in the labyrinth in the church yard. This is a lovely new addition. We thank most sincerely The Community Association who organised the installation of the bench. It was much used last Sunday during our Pet Mass and during the refreshments afterwards by pet owners and their pets seeking shade! We hope to see it getting a lot of use in the coming months and years.

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

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

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

The Commemoration for Cloughduv church and the book launch of Kilmurry parish history was a great success and thanks to all that attended.
 The book can be purchased in all the local shops or from the Church Sacristies of Canovee, Kilmurry or Cloughduv after weekend masses at €15 each

Reflection for Parents

The connection of "Trinity" is seen in the relationships of our families. Often the Holy Trinity is referred to as love, truth, and peace. God the Father loves us. Through his Son, Jesus, God's love is revealed. The peace of the Holy Spirit remains with us as a guide in our faith. Our families are also built on these three values: love, truth, and peace. Consider your own family to see where these qualities are noticeable.

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: Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9
 Moses went up Mount Sinai to meet the Lord. He begged the Lord to accompany the Israelites, "a stiff-necked people." He asked God to pardon their wickedness and sin.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-13
 Paul encouraged the Corinthians to mend their sinful ways and help one another live in peace. He wrote to them, "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."

Gospel, John 3:16-18.
 As in the past weeks, Jesus' message of commission and obedience is present along with his promise to always be with us. As the disciples were sent out to baptise, they were reminded of God's trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Cork City Cruinniú na nÓg

Cruinniú na nÓg is a national day of free creativity for children and young people under 18. Cruinniú na nÓg is a flagship initiative of the Creative Ireland Programme's Creative Youth Plan to enable the creative potential of children and young people.

Cork City Council, in conjunction with Creative Ireland, this morning announced the return of Cruinniú na nÓg on Saturday, 6th June, with a lively citywide programme of free creative activities for children and young people up to the age of 18. Cruinniú na nÓg is the world's only national day of free creativity for children and young people and the Cork City programme will feature interactive and imaginative events that celebrate participation, youth voice and inclusive creativity. From circus, dance and music to street culture, storytelling and hands-on making, events will take place in cultural venues, community spaces, parks and libraries, inviting young people to explore, create and connect.

In Cork City, Cruinniú na nÓg is supported through partnership with arts organisations, cultural institutions and creative venues so that children and young people can be creative everywhere!

Keep up to date on all our activities via Facebook @CorkCityArts and via Instagram @CorkCityArt

Totus Tuus 2026 Fatima Pilgrimage

The Totus Tuus annual pilgrimage to Fatima will take place from 28th August to 4th September. Learn about the Fatima Message, the Rosary, the First Saturdays, the lives of the three visionaries, and visit the tomb and home of Blessed Alexandrina Da Costa, who lived solely on the Eucharist for 13 years. The cost is €915 which includes, flights, half board accommodation, airport transfers, day trip to Balasar, trip to Valinhos and Adjustrel, trip to the Irish Dominican Sisters' Convent. There are places available to fly from Cork Airport, and also from Dublin Airport. Limited places are available. For more information call Damien on 087 20 49 048.