



The Parishioner

Sunday 13-September-2026





Twenty Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

There are times when we may be angry with another and resentful. An important antidote to this is a proper appreciation of our own experience of forgiveness. Once we have received the healing forgiveness of God there should be no place for unforgiving or vengeful behaviour in our lives - that would be to destroy the very forgiveness we have received.



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

A New Season of Communication

It's great to see The Parishioner back this week. Like so many things, September sees a return to a certain normativity. Schools are back, traffic has returned, and life plods along. With the return of so much 'normal' at this time each year, it's tempting to see every calendar year as a repetitive cycle of seasons that segue one to the other, carrying us along whether we like it or not. But, of course, there's always something different because we're different: no one is the same person this September as last September. That's why we can always prayerfully ask: what new thing is the Lord working in my life (or wishing to work)? Autumn, as a time of transition, might offer the very moment to consider this more deeply. In the meantime, I hope The Parishioner offers a way of keeping up with what is happening across the four parishes in our 'family': Ballincollig, Ballinora, Kilmurry, and Ovens, as well as offering a little point of reflection!

God bless and take care.

Fr. Ronan Sheehan CC

Mass for the New School Year

All those connected with our Catholic Primary Schools are invited to join Bishop Fintan Gavin in celebrating a Mass to pray for God's blessings for the new school year at: St. Patrick's Cathedral, Skibbereen on Monday 14th September at 7:30pm, followed by refreshments at St. Joseph's National School or Cathedral of St. Mary and St. Anne, Cork on Tuesday 15th September at 7:30pm, followed by refreshments at the Cathedral Visitor Centre.

World Youth Day 2027 Launch

The Diocese of Cork and Ross is planning a pilgrimage for young adults (18-30) to World Youth Day 2027 in South Korea, from late July to early August 2027. This will be a journey of faith and prayer, giving young adults the opportunity to deepen their relationship with Christ, join Pope Leo, and journey with hundreds of thousands of young Catholics from around the world. An Information Evening will be held on Wednesday, 16 September at 7pm in Mardyke House, Cork (T12 W8RP). We encourage all interested young adults to attend to learn more about the pilgrimage, the programme, costs, fundraising opportunities, and the registration process. To register, email youthministry@corkandross.org.

Ballincollig - Volunteers for Church Ministries.

We would be very grateful if on reflection you might like to help out in our churches in any of the following areas. Over time we lose some of our Ministers, so we are appealing to all who feel able to think about and see if you could commit. We are appealing in particular to Secondary School students to become Ministers of the Word. We have seen many of you, wonderful readers read for various occasions but very few commit to reading at weekend Masses. It would help you become a more confident public speaker and also good for your CV's in later years. There is a rota system so it would not be every Sunday. Also for students in transition or above if you are a regular Mass goer, you might consider becoming a Minister of the Eucharist. Training will be provided for both. Ministers of the Word and Eucharistic Ministers are needed in both churches. Would you like to help out with church cleaning, Collectors in both churches and flowers in St. Mary & St. John (speak to the Sacristan re details). Please give your names to the Parish Office with your contact details for all volunteers by Wednesday 30th. September.

YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED

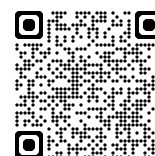
No matter where you have been or what you have faced
Come and Listen to answers that will change your life for the better
Are you carrying regrets? Or feeling lonely?
St Marks Centre Ballincollig P31 AT45
Starting on Wednesday, September 16th at 7.30 pm to 8.30 pm
Continuing every Sunday and Wednesdays.
St John Paul II said of these catechesis
"They are an itinerary of Catholic formation valid for this time that we are living."

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

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 :
Bride O'Connell, West Village.

MONTHS MIND - THIS WEEKEND WE REMEMBER:
Shelia O'Leary, Sunningdale.

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

Marie Minihane, Hazel Grove.
Brendan Lawlor, Inniscarra View.
Shelia Walsh, Castlepark.
Louise & Jerry O'Leary, Tralee.
Jim Walsh, Holly Road.
Denis & Ellen O'Leary.
Mary Susan Curran, Model Farm Road.
Kathleen Morrissey, Ballyphehane.
Eleanor Burke, Whites Cross.
Michael Horn, New York.
George O'Regan.
Mary Culligan, Westcliffe.
Brian Calnan, Coolroe Meadows.

Cantairí Mhúscraí is a mixed voice choir based here in Ballincollig and have a wide repertoire of music including church, classical, popular and showtunes. Apart from other performances we sing in St. Mary's & St. John's Church at the 6.00pm Mass on the 3rd Saturday of every month.

We welcome new members to all lines, without formal audition. Ability to read music is not essential, we just need singers who can hold a tune and blend into the overall sound.

We rehearse every Wednesday night from 7.20 to 9.20pm at Ballincollig Community School.

Joining at this time of year is ideal as we begin to learn new music. See you there!

The Irish Cancer Society is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our pool of drivers. As a volunteer driver you would be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy to the hospital and back home for their treatment. Gifting your time means that cancer patients will have comfortable (one on one) transport to attend appointments for their lifesaving treatment.

If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. The Irish Cancer Society will provide you with training before you start as a driver for us. Your generosity not only eases the journey for many during a challenging time but also offers comfort and support when it's needed most.

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

Mass Animated by Young Adults

A particular welcome to young adults. A Mass animated by young adults takes place on the second Sunday of each month, with the next celebration on Sunday, 13th September at 7pm in Ss Peter and Paul's Church. Hosted by the City Centre Family of Parishes, this Mass offers a welcoming space for young adults to gather, pray and grow in faith together. There will refreshments available after in the parish centre. All are welcome.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Fourth Week In Ordinary Time

13 Sunday Eccles. (Sir) 27:30-28:7. Ps. 102. Rom. 14:7-9. Mt. 18:21-35. Lect I: 699

14 Monday Hum. 21 :4-9. Ps. 77. Phil. 2:6-11. Jn. 3:13-17. Lect II: 1186

15 Tuesday Heb. 5:7-9. Ps. 30. In. 19:25-27 or Lk. 2:33-35. Lect II: 1189

16 Wednesday 1 Cor 12:31-13:13. Ps32. Lk 7:31-35. Lect II: 767

17 Thursday 1 Cor 15:1-11. Ps 117. Lk 7:36-50. Lect II: 769

18 Friday 1 Cor. 15: 12-20. Ps. 16.Lk. 8: 1-3. Lect II: 772

19 Saturday 1 Cor. 15:35-37,42-49. Ps. 55. Lk. 8:4-15. Lect II: 774

Next Sunday's Readings 20-September-2026

Is. 55:6-9. Ps. 144. Phil. 1:20-24, 27. Mt. 20: 1-16. Lect I: 702

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.

Envelope Collection

For funds which support seminarians and deacons

The annual collection for the Priesthood Education Fund will take place across the Diocese on the weekend of 19th/20th September. This fund plays a vital role in supporting the formation and ongoing education of those serving in priestly and diaconal ministry. In addition the fund also supports the ongoing training and education of priests in the Diocese. We are deeply aware of the financial challenges many individuals and families face at this time. Nevertheless, we kindly ask you to support this important collection as generously as possible. Your continued support in promoting vocations is sincerely appreciated.

Reflection for Parents

This is an easy gospel for parents to understand. We are called to love one another and forgive one another just as God loves and forgives us. Just as God loves us unconditionally, we freely love our children. They return this love, not out of fear or obligation. They love us because we love them.

Ovens & Farran Parish

Parish Contact Details

Parish Phone No's.

Fr. John McCarthy Co-PP 021 4871180

Mobile No.: 087 0956190

Parish Centre / Sacristy: 021 4289768

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

Ovens & Farran Bulletin Board

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 Sept 2026

Ovens 19 th Sept	Farran 26 th Sept
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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 12th/13th Sept

Farran: 6pm: Mary Holland, Lower Farran

Margaret Galvin, Lower Farran

Farran: 9.30am: Mary Murphy, Ballineadig, 2nd Anniversary

Ovens: 11.30am: Phil Gleeson, Garyhesta

Bernard O'Gorman, Bishopstown, 1st Anniversary

Recently Deceased:

Muriel O'Riordan, Farran

Gougane Barra Sunday: 27th September 2026

Confessions: 1.30pm

Rosary : 2.30pm

Mass: 3.00pm

Celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin

Ovens/Farran Parish Assembly Meeting:

The Current Parish Assembly will have their final meeting on Monday, 21st September, at 8pm, in the Parish Centre. Anyone interested in joining the new group, please come along to find out what it is about. Loraine Buckley (Faith Development Co-Ordinator) will join us for two sessions in October

Ovens/Farran Active Circle:

Meeting on Monday next, 14th September at 2.30pm in the Parish Centre. New members welcome.

Book Club:

Book Club meetings resume on Monday next, 14th of September at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre

Hickey's bar Aherla

A night of singing music, and story telling.

This Wednesday 16th of September starting at 9pm sharp.

Fear an Tí

Jim Murphy

All Welcome

Ministers of the Word:

The new Rota for the 11.30am Ministers of the Word (Ovens), may be collected in the sacristy after Mass.

Priesthood Collection:

The annual collection for the priesthood will be held on the weekend of the 19th/20th September.

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

♦ Sun 28th June: Tim Hourihane

♦ Wed 1st July: Liam O'Regan

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

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 month (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

Upcoming Events for 40th Anniversary

- Special Mass for Anniversary of Parish: 13th September
- Dinner Dance: 18th September

Vintage Car Run

DenJoe Dineen (late husband of Kitty Holmes, Ovens) Memorial Vintage car and modern tractor run

Coachford GAA Grounds

Sunday 20th September 2026

Registration at 10am with run at 12 noon

In aid of Mallow Search and Rescue

Donoughmore First Responders

Marymount Hospice

Ballincollig Alzheimer Café

The Ballincollig Alzheimer Café will take place this Thursday, 17th September from 3:00 – 5:00 PM in The Chapel Gate Café, Ballincollig, Cork (P13 XP38) with guest speaker Amy Murphy, Dementia Advisor from The Alzheimer Society, who will discuss: Living with the Diagnosis of Dementia. Alzheimer Cafés provide a relaxed and friendly space for people living with dementia, their families, friends, and healthcare professionals to come together, share experiences, and learn from one another. Alzheimer Cafés provide a relaxed and friendly space for people living with dementia, their families, friends, and healthcare professionals to come together, share experiences, and learn from one another.

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.

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 involved.
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
Coffee Day

The Annual Coffee Day in aid of Marymount Hospice in Independence Museum Kilmurry on Thursday 24th September 2026 from 9.00am to 3.30pm. All Welcome

Legion of Mary

Weekly Meeting: Tuesday 7.15pm in Cloughduv Church Sacristy.
New members welcome

A Message From Bishop Fintan

As we begin a new pastoral year together, I want to thank you for the many ways in which you continue to contribute to the life and mission of our Diocese. In Parishes and Families of Parishes across Cork and Ross, people give generously of their time, gifts and faith in service of others and in sharing the hope of the Gospel.

The autumn gives us an opportunity to look ahead with renewed energy and purpose. At the heart of all that we do is our call to encounter and follow Jesus Christ and to help one another grow as his disciples. We do this first of all in our celebration of the Sunday Eucharist and the sacraments.

This calling is also lived out in prayer and formation, in our care for one another, and in our willingness to reach out and invite others to encounter the joy of faith. No single [parish] programme or event can renew the life of our Parishes. Renewal grows when each of us recognises that we have a part to play and when we are willing to take the next step, however small it may seem. I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities offered, to invite others to become involved, and to continue discerning how the Lord is calling us to be his Church at this time.

Yours sincerely in Christ.



✠ Fintan Gavin
Bishop of Cork and Ross

First Reading: Sirach 27:30 - 28:9
We are called to be merciful as God is merciful to us.

Second Reading: Romans 14:7-9
St Paul reminds us that the life of each one of us is very influential.

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35
This great story illustrates God's tremendous love for us. In the story a servant (someone like us) owed an incomprehensible sum of money (our sinfulness) to a king (God). The servant begged for time to repay the debt. The king, out of love and compassion, forgave the entire debt. But the sad ending of the story described the servant's inability to forgive another person's much smaller debt.

Diocese of Cork and Ross

Is God calling you to be a Diocesan Priest?

Discernment Group for Young Men aged 18-40



Monthly Meetings
Beginning Saturday
26th September

To register, email
vocations@corkandross.org




**Thinking about being a Priest
In the Diocese of Cork & Ross?**

If you are between the ages of 18 and 40 and feel there is a possibility that God may be calling you to be a diocesan priest, then our monthly Discernment Group Meetings may be a good way to help you to discern this call. It is a gentle non-committal first step in the process which takes the form of a monthly meeting with other men discerning their call. The monthly meetings offer an opportunity for prayer, conversation, fellowship and accompaniment. An experienced spiritual director will also be provided to help guide you along the path.

The first meeting takes place on Saturday September 26th. To find more, have a chat, or to register your interest, please email:
Fr Marius at vocations@corkandross.org