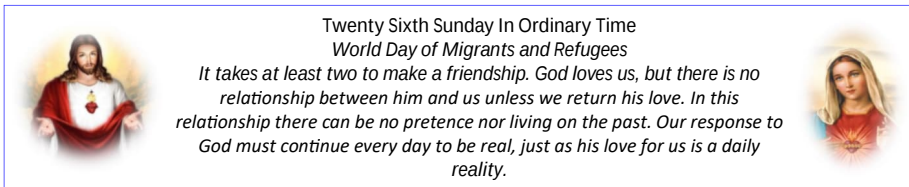




The Parishioner

Sunday 27-September-2026



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

Parable of the Two Sons

This week's Gospel is a parable of two sons. The bones of the parable is that their father makes a request of the sons; "My boy you go to the vineyard today". The first is not keen on going to the vineyard but reconsiders and on second thoughts decides to go to the vineyard. The second son gives an enthusiastic reply, "Most certainly, sir." And promptly forgot about his commitment.

Life provides us with many opportunities to give our word, sometimes about trivial items. "I will not tell the name of my pet kitten to my classmates" or something more important "I will remember to say thanks." However giving my word is always important. My word is one of the most precious things I have. There are those who believe that our word is the only thing I have to give. Giving my word doesn't cost anything there and then. The cost comes later when I try to honour my word. When I give my word, I actually give part of myself.

I can learn from both sons in this parable. The son who changed his mind confirms that changing my mind is not always negative or bad. It takes humility to admit one's mistakes and to put it right.

The parable also teaches us that fine words can never take the place of good deeds. Faithfulness is one of the most precious gifts in life and here and now brings rewards in terms of growth, serenity and joy. Lord help me to make good choices and live by them.

GAELSCOIL UÍ RÍORDÁIN
LÁ OSCAILTE / OPEN DAY
DÉARDAOIN 8^ú DEIREADH FÓMHAIR
THURSDAY OCTOBER 8TH
10:00rn – 1:00in | Fáilte roimh chách / All Welcome
Enrolment Opens 1st October | Naíonáin Bheaga '27/'28
021-4872752 | runai@gaelscoiluirordain.ie | @gaelscoiluirordain

CLÁRÚ NAÍONÁIN BHEAGA 2027-2028 | **ENROLMENT JUNIOR INFANTS**
1/10/2026 - 23/10/2026
WWW.GAELSCOILUIRORDAIN.IE

Abide in His Love Women's Conference

Abide Women's Conference, November 20-22, the Great Northern Hotel Bundoran, Co. Donegal. Speakers include: Sarah Swafford, Fr Barry Braum, Fr Mark Wharton, Kimberlee Wooling, Danielle Noonan, Nashville Dominicans & more, Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin, from Cork & Ross Diocese. We would love to welcome you this weekend. For more details please visit Abide in His Love at eventbrite.ie Registration link: <https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com>



Message of the Holy Father for the 112th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2026

Even Just One of These Children

Each year the World Day of Migrants and Refugees invites us to turn our attention to different aspects of the complex phenomenon of migration. For this 112th World Day, the theme, "Even just one of these children," draws our attention to the minors directly involved in the experience of migration and flight, to the care owed to them, and to the Lord's promise that

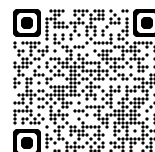
"whoever receives one such child in my name receives me"

Remember your mercy, Lord.

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 :
Naoise (pron Neigh-She) Jordan, Parteen/Whitegate, Co Clare.
Dan Twomey, Churchview.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF THE FOLLOWING WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS OR OTHERWISE REMEMBERED:
Margeret Sheehan, Kilmurry.
Con Murphy, Coachford/Ballincollig.
Derry Barry-Murphy, Greenfields.
Michael Barrett, Beech Park.
Paddy Drohan, Collins Bks.
Dan & Margaret Murphy, Knockburden.
Jim and Katie Ellen O' Grady.
John and Ellen Beamish.
Michael Green, the Paddocks.
Dec. Mem. of the Donovan family, Inniscarra.
Con Cagney, Beech Park.
Margaret Sheehan, Kilmurry.
Joan Horgan, Parknamore.
Noreen Lynch, Spriggs Road.
Dan Collins, Westgate/Ovens.
Philip Hall, Rosewood.

Looking for something to do as the nights draw in?
Try your hand at Short Mat Bowling! Ballincollig Short Mat Bowling Club is holding an Open Night on Tuesday, 29th September, at 7.30pm in the Westgate Centre. All welcome.

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



Scoil Eoin, Ballincollig – School Secretary

Scoil Eoin invites applications for a full-time School Secretary (37 hours per week), commencing 2 November 2026.
The successful candidate will provide administrative and office support to the school community.
Applicants should submit a cover letter and up-to-date CV, including details of three referees, to positionsscoileoin@gmail.com
Closing date: 5 October 2026.
For more information, see educationposts.ie

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Twenty Sixth Week In Ordinary Time

27 Sunday Ez. 18:25-28. Ps. 24. Phil. 2: 1-11. Mt. 21:28-32. Lect I: 705

28 Monday Job 1:6-22. Ps. 16. Lk. 9:46-50. Lect II: 788

29 Tuesday Dan. 7:9-10, 13-14 or Apoc. 12:7-12. Ps. 137. Jn. 1 :47-51. Lect II: 1205

30 Wednesday Job 9:1-12, 14-16. Ps87. Lk 9:57-62. Lect II: 793

01 Thursday Job 19:21-27. Ps26. Lk 10:1-12. Lect II: 795

02 Friday Ex 23:20-23. Ps 90. Mt 18:1-5, 10. Lect II: 1212

03 Saturday Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17. Ps 118. Lk 10:17-24. Lect II: 799

Next Sunday's Readings 04-October-2026

Is. 5:1-7. Ps. 79. Phil. 4:6-9. Mt. 21:33-43. Lect I: 708

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 & 7:30 pm	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 Friday

Friday 2nd October 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.

Envelope Collection for fund which supports seminarians and deacons

The annual collection for the Priesthood Education Fund which took place last weekend 19th/20th September amounted to €1,390. Your continued support in promoting vocations is sincerely appreciated.

Collection for The Comboni Missionaries

The collection for Fr. Manuel Casillas, The Comboni Missionaries amounted to €4,140. We appreciate your generosity.

Cemetery Masses and The Blessing of The Graves

Mass in St. Oliver's Cemetery Sat. November 7th at 2pm.
Mass in St. Mary & St. John's Cemetery Sat. 31st October at 12 noon.

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

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 / Oct 2026

Farran 26 th Sept	Ovens 3 rd Oct	Farran 10 th Oct	Ovens 17 th Oct	Farran 24 th Oct	Ovens 31 st Oct
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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 26th/27th Sept

Farran: 6pm: Ted Lordan, Knocknagoul, 1st Anniversary

Denis and Joy Lordan Classis

Ovens: 11.30am Nan Murphy, Ballygroman

Recently Deceased Anne Finnegan, Aglish, Coachford/Ovens

Gougane Barra Today Sunday: 27th September 2026

Confessions: 1.30pm Rosary 2.30pm

Mass: 3.00pm Celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin

Hope Foundation

There will be a coffee Morning/cake sale on Sunday 27th Sept after 11.30am Mass to raise funds for the Hope foundation which works with children in Calcutta. So, lots of creamy cakes, maybe a cup of tea and a chat, nice way to spend a Sunday Morning.

Ministers of the Word

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

Ovens/Farran Parish Assembly

The Current Parish Assembly will hold its final meeting on Monday, 12th October, at 8pm in The Parish Centre. Anyone interested in joining the new Parish Assembly is very welcome to come along to find out more about what it involves. Alternatively, you can contact the Parish Office for further information. There will also be two information evenings with Lorraine Buckley, Faith Development Co-Ordinator, on Tuesday 20th October, and Tuesday, 27th October.

Everyone is welcome. Thank you

"Our Mission Statement is to promote our Catholic Faith based on the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to live it in our lives. To recognise the challenges of changing times and to help priests and people of our Family of Parishes to work together to enhance parish life. We welcome everyone."

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

28th September Carmel O'Connell

30th September Mairead O'Brien

3rd October Barbara Kelleher

4th October Liam Rock

9th October Mairead O'Brien

10th October Marjorie Kinsella

11th October Dermot Crowley

17th October Dan Collins

25th October Barry O'Mahony

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

BALLINORA LOTTO (GAA/Camogie/LGFA)

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

- Gerard Carty

- Michael Twohig

- Catherine Lordan

- Kay Fitton

Lotto draw takes place every Monday night with jackpot now at €13,050 *****

It is hoped that another "Slice of the Jackpot" draw will take place before the end of the year-details to be finalised in coming weeks.

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

'The United States of America'

Muskerry Local History Society is organising a lecture on 'The Moylans from Cork and their part in the American War of Independence', by Michelle O'Mahony.

The Moylan brothers from Cork played important roles in the American War of Independence. In particular, Stephen Moylan was aide-de-camp to George Washington and he was the first to write the phrase, 'the United States of America'. The lecture will be held in Ballincollig Rugby Club at 7.00 pm on Monday, 5 October.

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

Legion of Mary

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

Singing for fun and meeting new people who love music.

Enjoy nights of singing for fun and meeting new people who love music too.

Every Tuesday evening at 6 15pm in The Kilmurry Museum Everyone welcome.

For details 087 2331255

First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28

The prophet Ezekiel listens to God's word and has his views challenged.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11

St Paul pleads for unity in the church at Philippi.

Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Jesus pointed out to chief priest and elders that they had not believed John nor had they changed their hearts after seeing Jesus. They were like the son who said "yes" to his father's request to work in the vineyard. Even though he said he would, the son did not work. The father's second son (representing sinners) said "no" to his father's request, but went to the vineyard and worked after all. Jesus said it would be those who are like the second son who would enter the Kingdom first.



Cork Choral Festival

GOSPEL Voices

FRIDAY 2 OCTOBER

CHURCH OF CHRIST OUR LIGHT, BALLINCOLLIG

FEATURING:

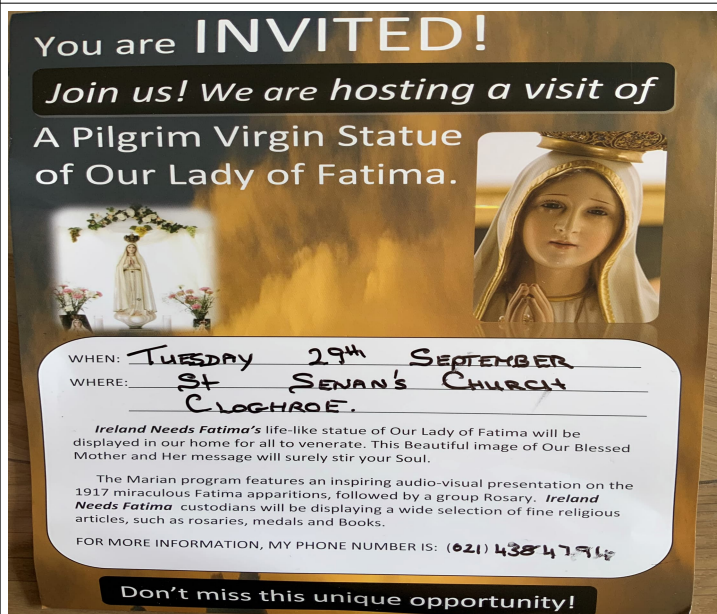
CORK GOSPEL CHOIR
CARRIGTWOHILL GOSPEL CHOIR
CASTLELYONS GOSPEL CHOIR
CORK CHURCH CHOIR

TICKETS: €22 AVAILABLE AT CORKCHORAL.IE

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 loose 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 are INVITED!

Join us! We are hosting a visit of

A Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

WHEN: **Tuesday 29th September**
WHERE: **St SENAN'S Church CLUGHROE.**

Ireland Needs Fatima's life-like statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be displayed in our home for all to venerate. This Beautiful Image of Our Blessed Mother and Her message will surely stir your Soul.

The Marian program features an inspiring audio-visual presentation on the 1917 miraculous Fatima apparitions, followed by a group Rosary. Ireland Needs Fatima custodians will be displaying a wide selection of fine religious articles, such as rosaries, medals and Books.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, MY PHONE NUMBER IS: (021) 438 4794

Don't miss this unique opportunity!