

The Parishioner

Sunday 04-October-2026



Twenty Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time
God cares for his people with great love, he gives them many blessings. We belong to His people, but we must remember that we cannot presume upon God's love and patience - we are expected to produce the fruit of what we have received.



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

Our Lady of the Rosary - 7th October 2026

"Next Thursday 'celebration urges us all to meditate on the mysteries of Christ, following the example of the Blessed Virgin Mary who was in a special manner associated with the incarnation, passion and glorious resurrection of the Son of God".

At the end of the fifteenth century Islam was the great threat to Christian Europe. (Thinking of September eleventh one might ask: "Does anything ever change?") In 1498 the Turks occupied the Greek city of Lepanto directly East of the toe of Italy. This Islamic presence just across a narrow sea from Southern Italy remained in place until 1571 when a combined Papal, Spanish, Venetian and Genoese fleet under Don John of Austria set out to defend Italy and the rest of Western Europe.

On the first Sunday of October 1571, huge Rosary processions took place in Rome asking Our Lady's protection for Christianity. On that very day, October 7th., the Christian forces gained a spectacular victory over the Turkish fleet. Fifteen Turkish ships were sunk and 177 taken. 15,000 Christian rowers, slaves on the Turkish galleys were liberated. It was the first great defeat of Islam at sea.

Pope St. Pius V ordered that a commemoration of the Rosary should be made on that day and some 200 years later after another victory over the Turks in Hungary the Pope extended the Feast of the Holy Rosary to the universal Church. Pope Leo XIII added to the Litany of Loreto the invocation "Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us."

There was nothing new about the Rosary on the day of the Battle of Lepanto. A century before that the Dominican Order had been organizing the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary all over Europe. Catholics both in England and Ireland made the Rosary their particular devotion always turning to the Mother of God at times of special need. For those who love the Rosary in life it becomes a symbol of their Faith entwined in their dead fingers at the end of life.

"Pope Leo has asked us to pray the Rosary for Peace during the Month of October" (CNS/Vatican Media). St. Mary's & St. John's Church Ballincollig 7-8 PM. All are invited to join in prayer for peace just for a short while, or for one Rosary or for the Hour of Prayer.

7:00: Joyful Mysteries - Silence
7:15: Sorrowful Mysteries - Silence
7:30: Glorious Mysteries - Silence
7:45: Mysteries of Light

It is giving people an opportunity to join for whatever time you can manage, or bring your children for a short time.

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.com](https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com) Registration link: <https://abideinhislove.eventbrite.com>



SCOIL EOIN & SCOIL MHUIRE OPEN DAY 2026

TUESDAY, 6TH OCTOBER 11:00AM - 12:30PM

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND!

ENROLMENT OPENS OCTOBER 1ST

WORKING TOGETHER FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

RESPECT
KINDNESS
COMMUNITY
SUCCESS

LEARN
DISCOVER
ACHIEVE

Ballincollig - Change to Weekday Masses

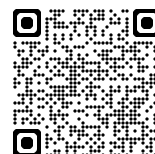
Please note there will be no morning Masses next Tuesday 6th October, Wednesday 7th October & Thursday 8th October in the Church of St. Mary & St. John and next Wednesday 7th October, Thursday 8th October and Friday 9th October in Christ our Light Church. These changes to Mass schedules arise due to priests being on retreat.

The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

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 :

Jim Dennehy, Dennehy's Cross.
Tadhg O'Mullane, Carrigaline.

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

Kathleen O'Sullivan, Ballyvolane.
Declan Lynch, BallymacThomas.
Kieran & Donal Manning, Sunningdale.
Michael Creagh, Castlepark.
Patrick Barry, Rosewood.
Peggy O'Driscoll, Carriganarra Hse.
Killian Lee, Aylsbury.
Audrie Wiseman, Cranford Pines.
Margaret Collar, Manor Hill/Castletownbere.
Sheila & William O'Dwyer, Kilmichael/Ballincollig.
Kitty Sheehan, Coachford.
Christy Buckley, Bakers Rd.
Paschal and Pat Cullen, Ballincollig.
Kathleen Dalton, Flynn's Cross.
Brian Mulcahy, Elm Lawn, Muskerry Estate.
Pat Casey, Westcliffe.
Susan O Driscoll, Carrigdenne.
Denis Dineen, Shandon View/Balham.
Cornelius & Eileen Murphy, Macroom.
Paddy & Esther Walsh, Bishopstown.
Timothy Murphy, Skibbereen.
Michael O'Sullivan, Ballincollig/Sydney.
Michael Murphy, Rosewood.

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 Seventh Week In Ordinary Time

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

05 Monday Gal. 1: 6-12. Ps. 110. Lk. 10:25-37. Lect II: 801

06 Tuesday Gal. 1: 13-24. Ps. 138. Lk. 10:38-42. Lect II: 804

07 Wednesday Acts 1: 12-14. Ps. Lk. 1. Lk. 1: 26-28. Lect II: 1217

08 Thursday Gal 3:1-5. P. Lk.1:69-75. Lk 11:5-13. Lect II: 808

09 Friday Gal. 3:7-14. Ps. 110. Lk. 11:15-26. Lect II: 810

10 Saturday Gal. 3:22-29. Ps. 104. Lk. 11:27-28. Lect II: 812

Next Sunday's Readings 11-October-2026

Is. 25:6-10. Phil. 4: 12-14, 19-20. Mt. 22: 1.14. Lect I: 711

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
No Morning Mass	Tuesday	No Morning Mass
No Morning Mass	Wednesday	No Morning Mass
No Morning Mass	Thursday	No Morning Mass
9:30 am	Friday	No Morning Mass
6:00 pm (Vigil)	Saturday	No Morning Mass

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.

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.

Diocesan Envelope Collection

The quarterly envelope collection in aid of the Diocesan Funds will be taken up next weekend 10th/11th October at all masses.

Discovery

A faith study as part of the Cork and Ross Diocese faith development. Through Discovery you can deepen your daily life with God and learn a new awareness of just who you are, and how you can live. As the Evangelist John says in 10:10; 'have life and have it all in its fullness'. The Catholic belief is that God knows us and loves us - that we have been loved into being, that love is holding us and that love is calling us to be one with God for eternity. 1 hour per week for 6 weeks. 2 small groups of 6 participants each. Wednesday (Men) Thursdays (Women). For the people in the family of parishes of Ballincollig, Ballinora, Oven/Farran, and Kilmurry. Initial Contact Fr. Alan O'Leary PP, Ballincollig or any priest in the family of parishes.

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

www.ovensfarranparish.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 Oct 2026

Ovens	Farran	Ovens	Farran	Ovens
3 rd Oct	10 th Oct	17 th Oct	24 th Oct	31 st Oct

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

Holy Hour: Every Tuesday night 8pm to 9pm

Rosary: Recited every Friday Morning at 9.10am before 9.30am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Fri. morning after Mass between 10.am and 11.am.

Weekend Anniversaries 3rd/4th Oct

Ovens: 6pm: Dan Horgan, Srelane

Ovens: 11.30am Joan and Dan Sullivan, Knockane

Farran: Kay Donovan, Farran Cross, Months Mind

Recently Deceased

Ita Lehane, Ovens

Recent Baptisms:

Mia McCullagh Megan Sadie Cunningham

Daniel Murphy Jody James Hallissey

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."

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

"Pope Leo has asked us to pray the Rosary for Peace during the Month of October"

An invitation to all to join in Prayer for Peace in The Church of St. Mary & John, Ballincollig on Wednesday next, 7th of October, 7-8pm. Rosary will be recited on the hour, 7pm, 7.15pm, and 7.45pm. with a time of silence between each Rosary. You may stay for just one Rosary or for the hour of prayer (See also front page)

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

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

Second Collections

Diocesan needs 11th October

Propagation of the Faith 18th October

Diocesan Youth Ministry 15th November

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

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.

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2027-2028

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1/10/2026 - 23/10/2026
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Belief:
Trust your-
self, then you
will know
how to live.
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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

Mass Changes

The 10am Mass in Canovee on Tuesday & the 10am Mass in Cloughduv are both cancelled.

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October: The Month of the Holy Rosary

Rosary will be recited at the Grotto in Crookstown at 8pm every Tuesday night during the month of October.
All are welcome

First Reading: Isaiah 5:1-7

The prophet Isaiah wants us to listen to what God has done for his chosen people.

Second Reading: Philippians 4:6-9

St Paul assures us that there is no need to be anxious. God will give us what we need and he will also give us the great gift of peace.

Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Using a parable, Jesus got the Jewish leaders to admit their error. He described a vineyard owner (God) who sent slaves (prophets) to collect his share of the harvest from the tenants (Jewish leaders). But the tenants killed the slaves. The landowner sent more slaves, but the tenants killed them, too. Finally the owner sent his son (Jesus). Of course, they killed the son. Jesus summarised his point by telling the chief priests and elders that what they had rejected (their place in the kingdom) would now be given to the Gentiles.

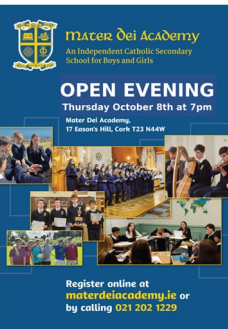
CUH Volunteer Opportunity

Become the Primary Handler (or second handler) for the
Cork University Hospital Community Dog ☺

CUH Volunteer Service is attempting to expand, and to offer our patients a visit from a community dog. To do this, we need volunteers to home the community dog, and if possible to volunteer in the hospital for a few hours 3-4 times weekly. Could you, or a person you know, provide a loving home for a specially trained community dog and help bring comfort to our patients? We are seeking expressions of interest from people who may be willing to:

- 🏠 Provide a permanent home for a community dog trained by Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind. To become a primary handler for the community dog.
- 🛡️ Volunteer to accompany the dog into the hospital to visit patients for approx. 2 hours, 3-4 days per week
- 🎓 Receive professional training from Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind on how to handle and work with the dog in a healthcare setting OR
- 🛡️ Volunteer as a second handler to accompany the dog into the hospital to visit patients for approx. 2 hours, 3-4 days per week. This person would not home the dog, but arrange to collect the dog, visit the designated wards in CUH and return the dog to the primary handler.
- 🎓 Receive professional training from Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind on how to handle and work with the dog alongside the primary handler in a healthcare setting. For more information or to express your interest, please contact:

Elaine Forde, Patient Advocacy Liaison Manager, CUH ☎
021 492 2822 or Email: CUH.volunteerservice@hse.ie



MATER DEI ACADEMY
An Independent Catholic Secondary School for Boys and Girls

OPEN EVENING
Thursday October 8th at 7pm
Mater Dei Academy, 17 Esplanade, Cork T23 H4W6

Register online at materdeiacademy.ie or by calling 021 202 1229

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Thursday October 8th at 7pm. Prospective parents and students are most welcome. Mater Dei Academy is an independent Catholic secondary school for boys and girls located in Shandon, Cork. Register at www.materdeiacademy.ie or by calling 021 2021229.



GAELSCOIL UÍ RÍORDÁIN
LÁ OSCAILTE / OPEN DAY
Déardaoin 8^ú Deireadh Fómhair
THURSDAY OCTOBER 8TH

10:00m - 1:00in | Fáilte roimh chách / All Welcome
Enrolment Opens 1st October | Naíonáin Bheaga '27/'28
021-4872752 | runal@gaelscoiluirordain.ie | @gaelscoiluirordain

Thought for Today
I encourage you to bear witness to Christ in your personal life and families: a witness of gratuitousness, solidarity, spirit of service.