The Parishioner

Sunday 01-November-2026



Feast of All Saints

Today we remember all the saints who share the happiness of heaven. We are called to be saints by becoming children of God, by becoming more like our Father. This is our greatest possible fulfilment. It begins already, if we ourselves be moulded by the Beatitudes.



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We celebrate today the Feast of All Saints, not just the canonized, but all those people who have been faithful witnesses to the love of God by living out the message of the Gospel during their life. We trust that our loved ones, relations and friends are among those who are now enjoying the glory and happiness of being face to face with God. The saints we celebrate were men and women like us. Perhaps we may sometimes think of our departed loved ones as being dead and gone. But our faith helps us to believe that they are alive now more than ever, because they are now fully alive in God. The life they now enjoy can no longer be touched by sickness, suffering, sin, or death. We thank God for all those whom he has already welcomed to heaven. During November we pray especially for those who are still being purified in Purgatory knowing that our prayers can help them. The Second Reading from the First Letter of St John, reminds us of the great love of God who already has chosen to call us His children. "What we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed, we will be like him, because we will see him as he is."

The Beatitudes in today's Gospel, propose to us a way of life, inviting us to be poor in spirit, that is relying on God to help us through life, to identify with the meek, those who mourn, and those who hunger and thirst after justice. They challenge us to be compassionate people, to be men and women who are pure in heart, and to become peacemakers in our dealings with one another, in our families and in society at large, even when this entails ridicule and persecution. We pray for faith and courage to walk this journey. The saints encourage us in our day-to-day struggles because like us they also endured struggles. Our Faith assures us that all who respond to the Lord's invitation to live the life of the Beatitudes will one day hear those welcoming and consoling words, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of your Lord"

The Beatitudes in today's Gospel are the teachings of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount Jesus teaches us that if we live according to the Beatitudes, we will live a happy Christian life. The Beatitudes fulfil God's promises made to Abraham and his descendants and describe the rewards that will be ours as loyal followers of Christ.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.
Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.
Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied.
Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.
Blessed are the clean in heart, for they will see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Prayer for Vocations

Loving God, at baptism you have gifted each of us with a call to serve you and all people in everything we do. Give us the strength to share your message of love, justice, hope and peace in every part of our Diocese of Cork and Ross.
We ask you Lord, for the gift of new vocations to priesthood in our Diocese. In your fatherly care, accompany those who are seeking to know your will for them. Inspire those you invite to serve as priests and fill them with the courage to answer that call. Through Christ Our Lord, Amen.



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'. 1 hour per week for 6 weeks. 2 small groups of 6 participants each. Wednesday (Men) Thursdays (Women)

Initial Contact: Fr Alan O'Leary PP or any priest in the family of parishes of Ballinora, Ballincollig, Ovens/Farran & Kilmurry

or

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Such Are The Ones Who Seek Your Face, O Lord.

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† IN SYMPATHY †

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF THE RECENTLY DECEASED :

Bridie Shanahan, Ennis, Co. Clare.
May Delaney-Madigan, Model Farm Road.
Anne O'Donnell, Donegal.
Roger Duggan, Killarney/Ballincollig.
Michael Magee, Pouladuff.

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

Stephen Hogan, Classes Lake.
Ann O'Connell, Westcliff.
Eileen Nolan, Borris, Co Carlow.
Tim Lyons, Inniscarra.
Liam McNamara, Carrigrohane/Ballincollig.
Noel Hegarty, Maple Lawn.
Mary Desmond, Westcourt.
Patsy Johanna Finn, Glincool.
Neil O'Donoghue (Snr.), Inniscarra View.
Maureen Roche, Inniscarra View.
Liz O' Brien, Ballincollig.

Formation in Faith for Young Adults

The Diocese of Cork and Ross, in collaboration with UCC Chaplaincy and the Presentation Brothers LEAF Project, is delighted to offer a Formation in Faith programme for young adults (18–35 years). The programme began on Wednesday, 30 September 2026, and will run for 9 weeks, from 5.45–8.00pm in Mardyke House, Cork (T12 W8RP).
Participants can choose between two concurrent pathways:

a) Sycamore Formation Series: A video-based programme with guided group discussion on Catholic formation.
b) Foundations in Theology: A lecture-based introduction to Catholic theology.
c) Each session begins with food and refreshments, and provide participants with an opportunity to engage in meaningful discussion.

To sign-up or for more information, email Sheila at youthministry@corkandross.org

The Irish Cancer Society

The 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*

Reflection

I pray Lord, for the needy of our world: come among us as one who will help, and call us all to help the hungry and sick, the uneducated and homeless, those who are victims of violence and war, the lonely and depressed. May your coming this Christmas be for them a time of peace and love; may we bring to them, in what way we can the joy of your coming.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Thirty First Week In Ordinary Time

01 Sunday Apoc. 7:2-4, 9-14. Ps. 23. 1 In. 3:1-3. Mt. 5:1-12. Lect I: 999 or Lect II: 1244

02 Monday Readings are chosen from Masses for the Dead. Lect III: 849- 890 (or Lect I: 1002)

03 Tuesday Phil 2:5-11. Ps 21.Lk 14:15-24. Lect II: 852

04 Wednesday Phil. 2:12-18. Ps. 26. Lk. 14:25-33. Lect II: 854

05 Thursday Phil. 3:3-8. Ps. 104. Lk. 15: 1-10. Lect II: 856

06 Friday Eccles (Sir). 44:1-15. Ps. 14. Lk. 6:17-23. Lect II: 1367

07 Saturday Phil 4:10-19. Ps 111. Lk 16:9-15. Lect II: 860

Next Sunday's Readings 08-November-2026
Wis. 6:12-16. Ps. 62. 1 Thess. 4:13-18. Mt. 25:1 13. Lect I: 722

Ballincollig Mass Times

St. Mary & St. John		Christ Our Light
8:30 am, 10 am	Sunday	11 am, 12:30 pm
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Monday	No Morning Mass
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Tuesday	No Morning Mass
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	Wednesday	8:30 am
9:30 am & 7:30 pm	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.

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 Oct. at 12 noon.

The November Novena for the Holy Souls

See above table for Mass timings this week for Ballincollig.

Special Remembrance Mass

There will be a Special Mass to remember all our loved ones who died during the past year on Friday November 6th at 7.30pm in St Mary & St John. All those whose funerals took place in the Parish will be remembered at this Mass. Families whose relatives' funerals didn't take place in Ballincollig parish and wish to have deceased family members (who died during the past 12 months) included in this Mass are invited to hand in their names to the Sacristy or Parish Office during the week. Please include a contact name and address. Families and individuals are invited to partake in the Mass.

'A Healing Afternoon Retreat'

Ruah Retreats presents 'A Healing Afternoon Retreat' - Remembering our loved ones, healing our losses, releasing stress and finding hope. Guest musicians, healing ministry & candlelit ceremony, taking place on Sunday, November 22, 2026, from 2:30 p.m. - 6p.m. at Vienna Woods Hotel, Cork. Further information & bookings Via www.ruahrest.com

Ovens & Farran Parish

Parish Contact Details

Parish Phone No's.
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Mobile No.: 087 0956190
Parish Centre / Sacristy: 021 4289768
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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: 11.00 am
Farran: 9.30am

Weekday Masses

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

Vigil Masses for Nov 2026

7th Nov	14th Nov	21st Nov	28th Nov
Ovens	Farran	Ovens	Ovens

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

Change of Mass Times from next weekend

As From the 1st of November 2026, Mass at St. John the Baptist Church Ovens will be changed from 11.30 to 11.am.

Holy Hour Change of Time

Please note there is a change of time for the Holy Hour.
It now commences Tuesdays from 7.30pm to 8.30pm

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

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday Morning after Mass between 10.am and 11.am.

Weekend Anniversaries 31st Oct/1st Nov

Ovens:6pm Eamonn Cotter, Classis
Ovens: 11.am Eileen Desmond, Grange

Remembrance Mass 6th November at 7pm

Tom Griffin,Currabeg
Nora Glavin,Beverly
Paddy McCarthy,Aglish
Kathleen McCarthy, Abbey Rd.
John O'Mahony, Kilcrea
Abina McCarthy,Garryhesta
Jerry O'Leary, Aglish Cross
Mary Lynch, Currabeg
Martin O'Carroll, Farran
Mary Buckley, Balllineadig
Patricia Casey,Beverly,
Kay Donovan, Farran
Anne Finnegan, Aglish
Con Corkery, Dripsey
Cornie McSweeney, Kealkill
Anne Aldworth, Ballygroman
Donie Scanlon, Ballingarry, Co. Limerick
Maria Lynch, Muskerry Est, Ballincollig
Caite O Connell, chapel Road
Frank Metcalfe Ovens/Ballincollig
Aidan Ring,Ballincollig/Kilcrohane
Donal Garvey, Kilumney
Abina Conway,Shanagarry
Austin Barrett, Farnanes
Mathew O'Driscoll, Ovens/Fairhill
Sheila Griffin. Currabeg
Gussie Sheehan, Lower Farran
Ina Murphy, Barnagore
Marie Mangan, Lisheens
Muriel O'Riordan, Farran
Ita Lehane, Lackenareague
Anthony Dwyer, Ballinhassig
Sheila Mangan, Ardnacrusha
Joan Cashman, Glanmire
Breda McPhilips, Aglish

Ovens/Farran Active Circle

Ovens/Farran active Circle meeting this Monday, 2nd November at 2.30pm, in the Parish Centre. New members welcome.

Crann Coffee Morning:

A huge thank you to all who attended the recent coffee morning for the Crann Centre, which was held to raise awareness of the Charity and its services. The sum raised was €1205, money which will be put to good use in providing much needed services. So again a huge thank you.

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

1st November Maura Cronin
14th November Aidan Goggin
15th November Richard Dineen
21st November Carol Mulcahy
28th November Peter Mulcahy

November Novena

The best gift that we can give anyone is "The Mass"
This is a beautiful gift for the living and also for those who have passed on. The November Novena starts on Monday 2nd, Feast of The Holy Souls, with our annual Remembrance Mass and will continue for 9 Masses.

November Blessings of Graves

Blessings of the Church Cemetery, Inniskenny Cemetery and Corbally Cemetery will take after Mass on Monday 9th November

Ballinora Waterfall Community Association

Ballinora Waterfall Community Association AGM will be held in the men's shed on Wednesday the 28th of October at 7.00pm. This is an open meeting and everyone is invited

Second Collection Diocesan Youth Ministry 15th November

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

Remembrance Mass on Friday 6th of November

We remember all those who died during the year in our parish and also family members from outside the parish. The names will be placed on the Remembrance Tree on the 1st of Nov. The names will be called out on the night of the Mass and family members will be invited to place a lighted candle on the altar. The candle can be taken home after Mass. If you would like to have a loved one prayed for from outside the Parish on the night, please give name, address and date of death into the parish office, or either Ovens or Farran Sacristy not later than 28th of October. The lights and the and the names for the Tree of Remembrance must Be prepared beforehand.

Novena for the Dead: 2nd to 10th November:
Farran: Mon-to Friday 9.30 Ovens: Monday-Friday 7pm

Cemetery Prayers and Blessing of Graves on Sunday 8th of November after:
9.30am Mass: Aglish. 11.00am Mass: Ovens
12.15am approx. in Athnowen 3.00pm in Kilcrea

Mass Bookings for 2027

Mass Bookings in Ovens are currently being taken for January and February of 2027 only. A first Anniversary Mass in may be booked at any time.

November Envelopes:

The November Envelopes are now available in porches of both Ovens and Farran Churches .

Ministers of the Eucharist

New Rota for the Ministers of the Eucharist, Ovens 11.am Mass, now available in sacristy.

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.

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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.

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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 newsletter, send before lunchtime on the previous Wednesday to Peter at kilmurry.parish1@gmail.com

Legion of Mary

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

Autumn Dues Envelopes

Envelopes are available at Church doors in Kilmurry, Cloughduv and Canovee for the support of our priests. These along with Christmas and Easter offerings are the means by which our priests are supported. This envelope can be handed in over the next few weeks. Thanking you for your financial and personal support always.

Schedule of Masses for the Faithful Departed for the Novena:

Monday, November 2nd St. Mary's church Kilmurry @ 10am.
Tuesday, November 3rd St. John the Baptist church Canovee @ 10am.
Wednesday. November 4th St. Joseph's church Cloughduv @ 10am.
Thursday, November 5th St. Mary's church Kilmurry @ 10am.
Friday, November 6th St. John the Baptist Canovee church @ 10am.
Saturday, November 7th St. Mary's church Cloughduv @ 10 am.
Monday, November 9th St. Mary's church Kilmurry @ 10am.
Tuesday, November 10th St. John the Baptist church Canovee @ 10am.
Wednesday, November 11th St. Joseph's church Cloughduv 10am.

Ireland's 3rd National First Saturdays Conference.

This year's conference will take place in Knock on Saturday November 28th. The day begins at 10am and finishes at 5pm. It includes Holy Mass, adoration, talks, and a healing service. Speakers include: Fr Patrick Cahill, Geraldine O'Donnell, Fr Leon Pereira OP, Nikki Kingsley, Fr Marius O'Reilly, Fr. Jaimie Twohig, Christine O'Hara, Fr. Mark Quinn, and Fr Philip Kemmy, Fr. John Keane will lead a Eucharistic Healing Service. More information and the list of buses going are available on www.firstsaturdays.ie. At Fatima Our Lady promised that if we did what she asked there would be peace in the world and that many souls would be saved. Bus from Togher Church, to book contact John Joe on 087 1302763.

THE SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading: Apoc. 7:2-4, 9-14
In commemorating all the saints in heaven, we give thanks to God for the inspiration which their witness continues to give us. Though not known to us by name, these are the women and men who showed perseverance and trust in their pilgrim journey of faith. Far from fleeing in the face of challenge, they faced difficulty with confidence and hope and now rejoice in God's presence forever.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-3
John reminds us of our identity as children of a God who is lavish with his gifts. We are asked to hold fast to the hope contained in God's promise to us. As we journey together towards our heavenly home, we are strengthened in the knowledge that he is with us guiding us, perfecting us, preparing us for a destiny which is beyond our wildest imaginings.

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12
The first three words in today's Gospel passage provide us with the key to understanding why Jesus climbed the hill and began to teach: seeing the crowds ...' In the Scriptures, the image of sight is often used to describe not just the physical act of looking at and recognizing someone or something but also — and at a more profound level — 'seeing' describes spiritual insight. When Jesus looks at us, he sees as God sees. He recognizes our need. He speaks words of life to us. He enlivens our hearts with hope and he helps us to see that the poor, humble, little ones of the earth are those who will inherit the kingdom of heaven.



Muskerry Local History Society

Ballincollig & Carrigrohane Castles

Who built these castles? What was it like to live in them? What were Ballincollig and Carrigrohane like in medieval times? These and other questions will be answered by Paul MacCotter in his illustrated lecture on Ballincollig and Carrigrohane Castles, organised by Muskerry Local History Society. The lecture will be held in Ballincollig Rugby Club P31 DA38 on Mon, 2nd Nov. at 7.00 pm.

Thought for Today

The Beatitudes show us that God knows about all the suffering and pain in the world. They also show us how God wants us to respond to it: with mercy, with peacemaking, with a hunger and thirst for holiness (right living and justice). The Beatitudes give us a hint of what we pray for when we pray "Your kingdom come." The Beatitudes are not just for the saints of long ago. They are for us today.