



Galway Cathedral Newsletter

28 January 2024
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Solemn Novena 2024 begins on Monday 5 February, and continues until Tuesday 13 February, with sessions daily at 11:00am, 1:10pm and 7:30pm (Sunday 10:30am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm and 6:00pm). Full details of this year's novena are on the Cathedral website: <https://www.galwaycathedral.ie/novena>.

St Blaise is remembered on Saturday next, 3 February: throats will be blessed after all masses that day.

Last Sunday of the Month and we say "Thank you" to all who continue to support the Cathedral by way of standing order and monthly envelope. If you forgot your envelope, please drop it in during the week. Bundles of envelopes for 2024 are available at the Cathedral doors.

Last Sunday's Offertory Collection came to €1,272.75, for which we are very grateful.

Diocesan Pastoral Centre Collection — There is a second collection at all masses today, in aid of the Diocesan Pastoral Outreach Centre in Newtownsmith.

Lourdes Mass next Thursday, 1 February, at 8:00pm.

First Friday & Saturday — Next Friday and Saturday are the first of the month; Communion will be brought to the sick and housebound on Friday, and on Saturday there is Mass and office of Our Lady at 11:00am.

Celebrations This Week — Feasts of **St Brigid**, abbess, secondary patron of Ireland (1 February), and the **Presentation of the Lord** (2 February); memorial of **St John Bosco**, priest (31 January); optional memorials of **St Aidan**, bishop (30 January; a feast in the Diocese of Ferns), **St Blaise**, bishop & martyr (3 February), and **St Ansgar**, bishop (3 February). Bl. Margaret Ball & Francis Taylor, martyrs, may be celebrated as an optional memorial on 30 January in the Archdiocese of Dublin and the Diocese of Meath. St Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church (28 January), is not celebrated this year as the Sunday takes precedence.

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OTHER NEWS

Cope Galway wishes to thank all who supported its recent church gate collection: a total of €1,588.83 was contributed at the Cathedral.

Catechism Workshop — A workshop on the Catechism of the Catholic Church takes place in Knock on Saturday 10 February, from 9:15am until 5:15pm, and is directed by Fr Vincent Twomey. More information from Máirín Ní Shuilleabháin at 087-7950325 or mairin99@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat	6:00	Thomas Dalton		6:00	Mary Keane
Sun	9:00	Breda Cullen	Thur	11:00	Michael Kelly
	10:30	Durkin Forde		6:00	Kathleen Sweeney
	12:30	Paddy O'Meara	Fri	11:00	Jack Collins; Patrick Smyth
	6:00	Kate & Martin Flaherty		6:00	Golden Book of Remembrance
Mon	11:00	Michael Keane	Sat	11:00	David & Peter Rynne
	6:00	Eileen Nestor		6:00	Andy Telfer
Tue	11:00	Bernard McDonagh	Sun	9:00	Seán & Eileen McGreal
	6:00	Mairéad & Alec Lafferty and family		10:30	William & Delia Spittle
				12:30	Tom Murphy
Wed	11:00	Hannah O'Connor; Mary Hernan		6:00	Michael Folan

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Clergy

Mgr Peter Rabbitte

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Mass on Sunday

Saturday 6:00pm; Sunday 9:00am (Gaeilge) 10:30am (choir), 12:30pm, 6:00pm

Mass on Holy Days

Vigil mass at 6:00pm; mass on the day at 11:00am, 6:00pm

Mass on Weekdays

11:00am, 6:00pm

Marriage & Baptism

For details & requirements see www.galwaycathedral.ie/liturgy

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091-531433 • Monday–Saturday, 9:30am – 5:15pm; Sunday after each morning mass

Bethany Bereavement Support

Contact the group at 085-2258827

Legion of Mary

Contact: 087-2423068

Child Protection

Diocesan Pastoral Centre
091- 575051

Music at today's 10:30am Mass

Missa de angelis (plainchant)

Jesu rex admirabilis (Palestrina)
Jesus, wonderful king, triumphant and noble, marvellous sweetness, wholly desirable. Stay with us, Lord, and let your light shine on us. Dispel the darkness of our mind; fill the world with your sweetness.

O for a closer walk (Stanford)
Oh! for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame; a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb. Return, O holy dove, return! sweet messenger of rest; I hate the sins that made thee mourn, and drove thee from my breast. So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame: so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

Organ postlude: Choral in A minor (Franck)