



Galway Cathedral Newsletter

23 November 2025
Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Poinsettias for Christmas — This Christmas, honour a loved one by dedicating a poinsettia; your loved one will also be remembered in the Christmas novena masses (16–24 December). Envelopes are available at the entrance to the mortuary chapel.

Youth 2000 Gathering on Wednesday at 7:00pm.

An Advent Service, featuring Vox Orbis directed by Mark Keane, takes place in the Cathedral on Sunday 30 November at 7:30pm.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday amounted to €3,029.87 – sincere thanks to all who continue to support the Cathedral in this way.

Heat & Light Collection — Sincere thanks for your response to last week's collection, which realised a total of €1,540.61.

Bereavement Support, provided by the Cathedral Bethany Group, is available in the Cathedral on Thursday next, 27 November, between 7:00pm and 8:00pm.

Diocesan Family Services Collection — There is a second collection at all Sunday masses next weekend in aid of diocesan services including marriage preparation, counselling and support.

Celebrations This Week — Memorial of Ss Andrew Dũng-Lạc, priest, and companions, martyrs (24 November); optional memorials of St Catherine of Alexandria, virgin & martyr (25 November), St Clement I, pope & martyr (25 November), St Colman, bishop (25 November), and St Fergal, bishop & missionary (27 November). St Columban, abbot & missionary (23 November), is not celebrated this year as the solemnity of Christ the King takes precedence.

OTHER NEWS

Advent Talks — The annual series of advent talks takes place over three Wednesdays starting on 3 December in Árus Naofa, St Oliver Plunkett Church, Renmore, at 8:00pm each evening. More details on the posters at the Cathedral doors.

Survey on Primary School Patronage — The Department of Education & Youth is holding a survey on the future of primary school patronage. All interested people are invited to take part, before 16 December: <https://www.gov.ie/primaryschoolsurvey>.

Check It Fits is a service offered by the Road Safety Authority where car seats and restraints for small children are checked for correct installation. The service will be on offer in Bella Baby, Oranpoint Commercial Centre, Oranmore, on Friday 5 December between 10:00am and 5:30pm.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Masses for the living are not listed here, though are celebrated as usual.

Sat 6:00	Peggy Dooley	6:00	Deceased residents of Co. Monaghan
Sun 9:00	Deceased clergy & religious		
10:30	Gene Egan	Fri 11:00	Dilleen & Barrett families
12:30	Baby Robert Herron	6:00	Golden Book of Remembrance
6:00	Maureen & Jack Brennan	Sat 11:00	Una Faherty; Colette Burke
Mon 11:00	Jack & Jimmy Hickey	6:00	Pat, Nora & Mary Heavey; Heavey & Burke families
6:00	Käte & Hermann Müllers		
Tue 11:00	Bishop James McLoughlin	Sun 9:00	Mairead McGillan Lafferty
6:00	Hanora Dunne	10:30	Margaret Ridge
Wed 11:00	Kathleen Teresa Leonard	12:30	Mary Magdalen
6:00	Bishop Martin Drennan	6:00	November Tree of Remembrance
Thur 11:00	Johnny & Monica Larkin		

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Clergy

Mgr Peter Rabbitte
Fr John Gerard Acton
Fr Jijo Johney
Br Ian Cunningham OFM

Mass on Sunday

Sat. 6:00pm; Sun. 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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday–Saturday, 5:30pm–5:50pm

Eucharistic Adoration

Monday–Friday, 11:30am–6:00pm
Sunday, 1:30pm–6:00pm

Marriage & Baptism

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

Cathedral Bookshop

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

Safeguarding

Ms Aileen Cawley: 085-2288047

Music at today's 10:30am Mass

Missa cum júbilo (plainchant)

O bone Jesu (Palestrina)

O good Jesus, have mercy on us, for you have created us, you have redeemed us through your most precious blood.

Ave verum corpus (Elgar)

Hail, true body, born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for man; whose pierced side overflowed with water and blood, be for us a foretaste in the test of death. O sweet, O merciful, O Jesus, Son of Mary.

Organ postlude: Fugue sur le nom d'Alain (Durufé)

Weekly music listings on the Cathedral website:
www.galwaycathedral.ie/music/listings