



Galway Cathedral Newsletter

18 January 2026
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Mass for Vocations on Wednesday 21 January at 6:00pm.

Youth 2000 Gathering on Wednesday next at 7:00pm.

Ecumenical Prayer Service — The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity takes place this year between 18 and 25 January. An ecumenical prayer service will be held in the Chapel of St Columbanus, University of Galway, on Sunday 25 January at 7:00pm, with Bishop Michael Duignan and Bishop Michael Burrows in attendance, and all are welcome.

Solemn Novena 2026 — The 2026 Solemn Novena takes place between Monday 2 and Tuesday 10 February: full details are on the Cathedral website, and on the brochures available at the doors.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday amounted to €2,721.75 — sincere thanks to all who continue to support the Cathedral in this way.

An Ghailil Collection — There is a second collection at all Sunday masses next weekend in aid of An Ghailil Centre of Formation for Mission and Ministry, which offers training and formation for lay ministers, youth faith programmes and parish initiatives.

Celebrations This Week — Memorials of St Agnes, virgin & martyr (21 January), and St Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church (24 January); optional memorials of St Fabian, pope & martyr (20 January), St Sebastian, martyr (20 January), and St Vincent, deacon & martyr (22 January).

Would you like join a choir?

Galway Cathedral Choir always welcomes new members.

Rehearsals are on Tuesdays at 7:30pm, and the choir sings at the Sunday 10:30am mass.

If you are interested, please contact the director, Ray O'Donnell, at music@galwaycathedral.ie.



OTHER NEWS

Cancer Prevention Webinar — To mark World Cancer Day, the Irish Cancer Prevention Network is hosting a webinar on Wednesday 4 February at 12:00 noon. Participation is free; more information and registration at <http://www.hse.ie/cancerprevention>.

Jobs Available — The Diocese is currently hiring for a range of roles, based primarily in Galway City. Further information is available at <https://www.clonfertgalway.ie/jobs>.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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

Sat 6:00	John Coyne; Sarah & Julia Thornton	Thur 11:00	Mary Walsh
Sun 9:00	Seán Mac Con Iomaire	6:00	Joseph & Mary Macken; Macken family
10:30	Joan Coffey	Fri 11:00	Agnes Gilligan
12:30	Msgr Seán O'Flaherty	6:00	Golden Book of Remembrance
6:00	Denis J. Reidy	Sat 11:00	Helen, Paddy & Justin Sweeney; Ward & Sweeney families
Mon 11:00	Nevin Breen	6:00	Jim & Peggy Dalton
6:00	John & Delia Heneghan	Sun 9:00	John Flaherty
Tue 11:00	Roy Corbett	10:30	Tony Christofides
6:00	Richard Faherty	6:00	Teresa & Gerard Murray
Wed 11:00	Breege McCarrick		

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Clergy

Mgr Peter Rabbitte
Fr John Gerard Acton
Fr Jijo Johny
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 O quam gloriosum (Victoria); Missa cunctipotens genitor Deus (plainchant)

Lead me, Lord (Wesley)

Lead me, Lord, in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face. For it is thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.

O sacrum convivium (Farrant)

O sacred banquet, in which Christ is received, the memory of his passion renewed, the mind filled with grace and a promise of future glory given to us.

Organ postlude: Prelude in B minor (Bach)

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