



Galway Cathedral Newsletter

25 January 2026
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Ecumenical Prayer Service takes place in the Chapel of St Columbanus, University of Galway, at 7:00pm this evening, with Bishop Michael Duignan and Bishop Michael Burrows in attendance, and all are welcome.

Youth 2000 Gathering on Wednesday next, 28 January, at 7:00pm.

Bereavement Support, provided by the Cathedral Bethany Group, is available in the Cathedral on Thursday next, 29 January, between 7:00pm and 8:00pm.

9:00am Mass As Gaeilge will not be celebrated on Sunday 8 February.

World Day of Consecrated Life will be marked in the Cathedral at the 12:30pm mass next Sunday, 1 February, when we welcome the religious congregations of the diocese.

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.

Blessing of Throats — The Feast of Saint Blaise falls this year during the Solemn Novena. In order to preserve the prayerful focus of the Novena celebrations, blessing of throats will be offered only at the 6:00pm mass on Sunday next, 1 February.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday amounted to €2,893.07 — sincere thanks to all who continue to support the Cathedral in this way.

An Ghailíl Collection — There is a second collection at all masses today in aid of An Ghailíl 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 Ss Timothy & Titus, bishops (26 January), St Thomas Aquinas, priest & doctor of the Church (28 January), and St John Bosco, priest (31 Saturday); optional memorials of St Angela Merici, virgin & religious (27 January), and St Aidan, bishop (30 January; a feast in the Diocese of Ferns). In both the Archdiocese of Dublin and the Diocese of Meath, Bl. Margaret Bell and Francis Taylor, martyrs, may be celebrated as an optional memorial on 30 January. The conversion of St Paul, apostle (25 January), is not celebrated this year as the Sunday takes precedence.

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.



St Paul Sunday Missal

Last remaining copies available in the Cathedral Bookshop

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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

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| Sat 6:00 | Jim & Peggy Dalton | Wed 11:00 | Paddy O'Meara |
| Sun 9:00 | John Flaherty | 6:00 | Máirtín Reilly |
| 10:30 | Tony Christofides | Thur 11:00 | Hannah O'Connor |
| 6:00 | Teresa & Gerard Murray | 6:00 | John & Christina Sara Mulvoy |
| Mon 11:00 | Tom Finnegan; Connie, Rose & Jimmy Clarke | Fri 11:00 | Mary Hernan |
| 6:00 | Jimmy Rabbitte | 6:00 | Golden Book of Remembrance |
| Tue 11:00 | Ethna, Michael & Micheál Mitchell | Sat 6:00 | Durkan Forde |
| 6:00 | Turley Cassidy | Sun 9:00 | Nora Francis |
| | | 10:30 | John Ward |
| | | 12:30 | Tom & Mary Murphy |

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Clergy

Mgr Peter Rabbitte
Fr John Gerard Acton
Fr Jijo Johnney
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)

If ye love me (Tallis)

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever, e'en the spirit of truth.

Magnificat (O'Donnell)

My soul now glorifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my saviour. He looks on his servant in her lowliness: henceforth all ages will call me blessed. The almighty works marvels for me: holy his name! (...)

Organ postlude: Prelude in F sharp minor (Buxtehude)

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