



Galway Cathedral Newsletter

24 May 2026
Pentecost Sunday

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Visiting Choir — We welcome the Chapel Choir of the University of Aberdeen to sing at the 6:00pm Mass on Saturday next, 30 May. The choir is directed by Stuart Muir, and accompanied by Andrew Forbes, organist and Director of Music at Glasgow Cathedral.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday came to €3,147.52: our sincere thanks to all who continue to support the Cathedral financially.

Drop-In Bereavement Support is offered by the Cathedral Bethany Group on Thursday next, 28 May, in the Cathedral tea room between 7:00pm and 8:00pm.

Celebrations This Week — Memorials of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (25 May), and St Philip Neri, priest (26 May); optional memorials of St Augustine of Canterbury, bishop (27 May), and St Paul VI, pope (29 May). St Bede the Venerable, priest & doctor of the Church (25 May), St Gregory VII, pope (25 May), and St Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, virgin (25 May), are not celebrated this year as the memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, takes precedence.

Br Ian Cunningham OFM will be ordained to the priesthood on Sunday 31 May at 3:00pm, in the Franciscan Friary, Ennis. The ceremony is open to all, and can also be viewed on webcam via the Ennis parish website:
www.ennisparish.ie/our-parish/franciscan-friary-webcam

OTHER NEWS

Rosary for the Month of May will be prayed at 7:00pm each evening of the month at the grotto in Greenfields: all are welcome. The season concludes with Mass at the grotto at the same time of 7:30pm on Sunday 31 May.

Galway Hospice is hosting two fund-raising concerts, given by Welsh choir Meibion Goronwy, on Thursday 11 June at 7:30pm in the Ardilaun Hotel and on Friday 12 June at 8:00pm in Bearna Church. Tickets cost €15 and are available at the door or from the Hospice. 50% of proceeds go to Galway Hospice.

Finding God in Nature and Culture — A day of talks, music, storytelling, prayer and pilgrimage, exploring the relationship between Christian faith, Irish culture, imagination and the natural world, taking place on Saturday 27 June at Solas Bhríde Centre in Kildare. Tickets and information are available on Eventbrite.

Young Adult Camino Pilgrimage over the final 100km from Sarria to Santiago, led by Bishop Michael Duignan. The pilgrimage is open to persons aged 18–35, takes place between 11 and 20 July 2026, and includes flights and accommodation. More information from youthpilgrimage@clonfertgalway.ie.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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

Sat 6:00	Carmel Flaherty	Thur 11:00	Teresa O'Brien
Sun 9:00	Seosamh Ó hÓgartaigh	6:00	Frank Berry
10:30	Patrick Murray	Fri 11:00	Peter & Teresa Hussey
6:00	Seán Hardiman	6:00	Golden Book of Remembrance
Mon 11:00	Gretta Hogan	Sat 11:00	Oliver Mitchell; Mitchell family
6:00	Amanda Faye Birbeck	6:00	Hubert & Mary Heavey; Heavey & Burke families
Tue 11:00	Teresa & William Hourigan	Sun 10:30	Eleanor Loughlin
6:00	Kathleen Kirrane	6:00	Deceased residents of Newcastle Park
Wed 11:00	Mary Finnegan		
6:00	Mary & James Doherty		

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Clergy

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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

Mass for three voices (Byrd); Sanctus IV

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light (McCann)
Holy Spirit, Lord of light, from the clear
celestial height thy pure beaming radiance
give. Come, thou Father of the poor, come
with treasures which endure; come, thou
light of all that live! (...)

Veni creator Spiritus (chant/O'Donnell)
Come, creator Spirit, visit the souls of your
people; fill with grace from above the
hearts you have created. You who are called
advocate, gift of God most high, the living
fountain, fire, love and balm of the spirit. (...)

Organ postlude: Veni creator Spiritus
(Durufé)

*Weekly music listings are available on the
Cathedral website.*