



Galway Cathedral Newsletter

6 September 2026
Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

CATHEDRAL NEWS

The Cathedral Choir returns today after its summer break. New members are always welcome: please contact the Director of Music, Ray O'Donnell, if you are interested – he can be reached at music@galwaycathedral.ie.

Eucharistic Adoration will be suspended on Tuesday next, 8 September, from 2:00pm due to a wedding taking place at that time; adoration will resume once the wedding has concluded.

Galway Camino 2026 — The annual Galway Camino, a walking pilgrimage to seven holy places in Galway City, takes place on Saturday 19 September; it is self-directed, and can be completed any time between 12:00 noon and 5:30pm. Please see the Cathedral website for more information.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday came to €3,584.68: our sincere thanks to all who continue to support the Cathedral financially.

Youth Faith Services Collection — Thank you for your support of last Sunday's collection, which realised a total of €1,118.23.

Celebrations This Week — Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (8 September); memorial of St Ciaran, abbot (9 September; a feast in the Diocese of Clonmacnoise); optional memorials of St Peter Claver, priest (10 September), the Holy Name of Mary (12 September), and St Ailbe, bishop (12 September).

Interested in Becoming a Catholic?

The diocese provides a programme designed to assist those considering committing to the Christian faith and way of life. The programme, RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults), begins this month and enrolments are being accepted now. Please contact rcia@anghailil.ie or phone 091-563566 or 091-841560.

OTHER NEWS

Cemetery Sunday takes place in Rahoon Cemetery on Sunday next, 13 September, at 12:00 noon.

Galway Red Cross would like to thank Cathedral-goers for their support to its recent Churchgate Collection: monies raised will help to continue its community support, first aid, ambulance and youth services in the Galway area.

Community Safety Consultations — Galway City Local Community Safety Partnership is inviting contributions on Galway City's first Community Safety Plan. Consultations are taking place between 7 and 9 September in a number of city hotels: contact communitysafety@galwaycity.ie for details.

World Youth Day 2027 takes place in Seoul, between 27 July and 12 August, and is open to those aged 19–30. Please email Fr Declan Lohan at dlohan@clonfertgalway.ie if you are interested in taking part.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

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

Sat 6:00	Tom Joyce	Wed 6:00	Ronan Duignan
Sun 9:00	Patrick & Sheila Morgan	Thur 6:00	Feidhlim O'Neill
10:30	Joe, Nellie & Terry Gurry	Fri 11:00	Julia & Alfie Hornibrook
12:30	Mary Cunningham	6:00	Golden Book of Remembrance
6:00	Martin, Mary & Patrick Lydon	Sat 11:00	Sheila Crehan
Mon 11:00	Clarissa & Harry Ellis	6:00	Mary Collins
6:00	Josephine Kelly	Sun 9:00	Margaret & Peter Lyons
Tue 11:00	Paddy O'Meara	10:30	Ronan Duignan
6:00	Vincent Nemet Mikula	6:00	John & Margaret Smyth

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Clergy

Mgr Peter Rabbitte
Fr John Gerard Acton
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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 orbis factor (plainchant XI)

Ubi caritas (plainchant)

Where love is found to be true, God is there.
The love of Christ has gathered us into one.
Let us rejoice and be glad in him. Let us fear
and love the living God, and love each other
from the depths of our heart. Therefore
when we are together, let us take heed not
to be divided in mind. (...)

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. Amen.

Organ postlude: Prelude in E flat (Bach)

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