



Galway Cathedral Newsletter

20 September 2026
Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

CATHEDRAL NEWS

Shrine to Our Lady of Győr — The new shrine (beside the bookshop) will be blessed by Bishop Duignan at a special ceremony during the 6:00pm Mass on Sunday 4 October.

October Rosary Procession takes place at 8:00pm on the Sundays of October.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday came to €3,147.25: our sincere thanks to all who continue to support the Cathedral financially.

Cathedral Heat & Light Collection — Thank you very much for your response to last Sunday's collection, which amounted to €1,380.24.

Cope Collection — A second collection will be taken at all Sunday Masses next weekend, in aid of Cope Galway.

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

Drop-In Bereavement Support is offered by the Cathedral Bethany Group on Thursday next, 24 September, between 7:00pm and 8:00pm.

Celebrations This Week — Feast of St Matthew, apostle & evangelist (21 September); memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), priest (23 September); optional memorials of St Finbarr, bishop (25 September; a feast in the Diocese of Cork), and Ss Cosmas & Damian, martyrs (26 September). Ss Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, priest, Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and companions, martyrs (20 September), are not celebrated this year as the Sunday of ordinary time takes precedence. St Eunan (Adomnán), abbot (23 September), is not celebrated this year, except in the Diocese of Raphoe where he is celebrated as a feast.

Cathedral Cleaning Team

The team of dedicated volunteers who clean the Cathedral every Thursday morning could use some new members. If you can give some time between 9:30am and 11:00am on a Thursday, please come along and grab a brush!

OTHER NEWS

Repair Café Galway, supported by Galway City Council, takes place on Saturday 26 September in the Rowing Club, Woodquay, and offers textile and electrical repairs: book a slot at <https://repaircafegalway.taplink.bio>.

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	Nell, Mary & John Hurney; Hurney family	Thur	6:00	Thomas Mm
Sun	9:00	Patricia Flaherty	Fri	6:00	Gertrude Donnellan
	10:30	Martin Joe O'Connor; O'Connor family		11:00	Bridget, Thomas & Pat O'Neill
	6:00	Catherine Small (Month's Mind)		6:00	Golden Book of Remembrance
Mon	6:00	Martin Ward	Sat	11:00	Tom Slattery
Tue	11:00	Tony Quinn		6:00	Patricia & Denis Ryan; O'Toole & Ryan families
	6:00	Sr Catherine Deely	Sun	10:30	Micheál Elwood
Wed	11:00	Biddy & John Ward and extended family; Ward & McDonagh families		6:00	Bridget & Malachy Hardiman

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Clergy

Mgr Peter Rabbitte
Fr John Gerard Acton
Fr Jijo Johnney

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)

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.

My eyes for beauty pine (Howells)

My eyes for beauty pine, my soul for Goddès grace, no other care nor hope is mine, to heaven I turn my face. One splendour thence is shed from all the stars above: 'tis named when God's name is said, 'tis Love, 'tis heavenly Love. And every gentle heart that burns with true desire, is lit from eyes that mirror part of that celestial fire.

Organ postlude: Prelude in G (Stanford)

Weekly music listings are available on the Cathedral website.