

CORK CATHEDRAL FAMILY OF PARISHES
South Parish - St Patrick's - Ss Peter & Paul's
Blackpool – The Glen – Ballyvolane - Sunday's Well
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Cork Cathedral Family of Parishes

Lotto

Lotto Numbers: 12, 13, 25 Bonus: 01

Jackpot: No winner

Consolation prize: No winner

This week's Jackpot is **€20,000**
 Consolation Jackpot **€400**

Dates for First Holy Communion 2027

St Oliver's Church, Ballyvolane

Saturday 15 May at 11am Scoil Oilibhéir

St Brendan's Church, The Glen

Saturday 15 May at 10.30am for St Mark's Boys' National School

Saturday 15 May at 12 noon for St Brendan's Girls' National School

St Mary and Anne's Cathedral Church

Saturday 24 April at 10.30am for Scoil Mhuire Fatima - North Monastery primary school

Saturday 15 May at 10.30am for Scoil Cholmcille - Blarney Street national school

Saturday 22 May at 11am for St Vincent's Convent primary school

Saturday 29 May at 10.30am for North Presentation Catholic primary school

Church of the Annunciation, Blackpool

Saturday 29 May at 10.30am for Scoil Pheig Sayers

St Finbarr's South Parish Church

Saturday 8 May at 11.30am for St Mary's of the Isle national school

Saint Patrick's Church

Sunday 16 May at 12.00 noon for Christian Brothers' College Preparatory School, Scoil Mhuire Junior School, and Scoil Éanna

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Besides the usual confession timings which happens before and after the Holy Mass we are pleased to announce that the Sacrament of RECONCILIATION be available in the Cathedral starting from Saturday, 10 October.

Day: Every Saturday

Time: 11:00 am – 12:00 noon
 Starting: Saturday, 10 October

This arrangement will be reviewed after one month to assess its continuation and any necessary adjustments. We encourage parishioners to make use of this opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and prepare spiritually for the celebration of the Lord's Day

We remember and pray for our
Recently Deceased

William Sweeney

Died on 9th September and whose funeral Mass took place at the Cathedral on 12th September and was buried at St Catherine's Cemetery Kilcully

Collections Taken Last Weekend

- Cathedral €930
 - South Parish €674
 - St Patrick's/Holy Family €902
 - Ss Peter & Paul's €2,071
- Blackpool /The Glen /Ballyvolane**
 €2,162

There will be a second collection taken up at all Masses this weekend for Priesthood Education.

There will be a second collection taken up at all Masses next weekend 26th/27th September for the Maintenance Fund.

Gougane Barra Sunday

27th September 2026

1:30pm Confessions

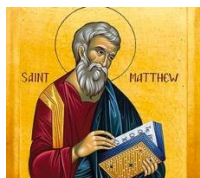
2:30pm Rosary

3:00pm Mass

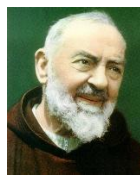
Celebrated by Bishop Fintan



Feast Days of the Week



St Matthew
21 September



St Pius of Pietrelcina
23 September



St Finbarr
25 September

Reflection

Hope carries us forward. Emmaus Café reminds us that every kind word and shared moment strengthens hope, echoing the hope restored on the road to Emmaus. "Let us hold fast to the hope we profess." (Hebrews 10:23)

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Cork Cathedral Family of Parishes Launches Climate Justice Education Project



The Cork Cathedral Family of Parishes was delighted to officially launch its Climate Justice Education Project, bringing together members of our parishes, community organisations and invited guests for a morning of reflection, discussion and shared commitment to caring for our common home.

Introducing Lay Funeral Ministers

We still value having our funerals over several days, we appreciate the effort our neighbours make to come to the funeral home to sympathise, we look for a funeral Mass which acknowledges the personality of the deceased person and their relationships, not just a generic church service to pray for them.

To assist parishioners keep our funerals as we like to have them, our north-side parishes will introduce lay ministers as part of a funeral team with the clergy.

Initially these lay funeral ministers will lead the bereaved in prayer the night before the funeral Mass, usually in the funeral home, as priests used to do before Covid. Many of us have missed that moment of prayer with the priest and so we will re-introduce it with the lay ministers.

In time, the lay funeral ministers will be available to families to begin preparing the funeral Mass with the diocesan booklet of readings, prayers and hymns.

Later, they may be present at the funeral Mass and be of help there. We're not sure when priests will begin to be unavailable for all the burial services in the cemeteries, but it is worth preparing for that eventuality sooner rather than later.

A number of parishioners have already been approached to consider taking on this rewarding ministry. They will be trained over several weeks by the diocese and then begin working alongside the clergy of our parishes. We are all aware of the lay funeral ministers already operating in Farranree, around The Lough and Togher.

We know you will appreciate the ministry of lay funeral ministers alongside the ministry of the priests and deacons, representing the parish by leading mourners and their neighbours, family and friends, in prayer the night before the funeral Mass.

While we are beginning with the three northside parishes which have approximately 166 funerals of parishioners each year - the cathedral, Blackpool with the Glen and Ballyvolane, Sunday's Well - in time, we will extend this valuable ministry to the other parishes in our family of parishes. Please keep your fellow parishioners in prayer as they prepare to serve in our parishes. The initial meeting for those already approached to consider this ministry will be on Wednesday 30th September at 7pm in the Cathedral Visitor Centre. The diocesan training will be on three consecutive Wednesdays nights: 14th, 21st, and 28th October. Venue to be decided.

Office Hours in the Family of Parishes

Cathedral Parish Office
Monday to Thursday
8:30am-4pm

Friday 8:30am-2pm

St Finbarr's South Parish Office
Monday
9am-11am
Genealogy Enquiries
Monday 9:30am-11am

St Patrick's Parish Office
Monday to Thursday
9am-12pm

Friday 9am-10:30am

Ss Peter & Paul's Parish Office
Monday 11am-1pm
Tuesday 10am to 12pm
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
10am to 2pm

CATHEDRAL FAMILY OF PARISHES SYRO-MALABAR CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

ST. BRENDAN'S CHURCH

Our Syro-Malabar Catholic Church Community in Cork has been celebrating Holy Qurbana and conducting Catechism classes at SMA Wilton Church for many years.

We are pleased to announce that, through the kind consideration, vision and guidance of Bishop Fintan Gavin, we have now been granted permission to celebrate our Holy Qurbana at St. Brendan's Roman Catholic Church, The Glen, and to conduct our Catechism classes at the school located adjacent to the church.

Going forward, our regular Sunday schedule will be:

- 3:30 PM – Catechism Classes
- 5:00 PM – Holy Qurbana

We would like to express our sincere and heartfelt gratitude to Bishop Fintan Gavin for inviting and welcoming our community to St. Brendan's and for making this new arrangement possible.

We are also deeply grateful to Fr. John, who has provided us with valuable assistance and support throughout this process.

Our heartfelt thanks also go to all the parishioners of St. Brendan's Church of Blackpool, Glen, Ballyvolane Parish for their warm and gracious welcome to our community. We truly appreciate their kindness, generosity and support as we begin this new chapter together.

Thinking about being a Priest in the Diocese of Cork & Ross?

If you are between the ages of 18 and 40 and feel there is a possibility that God may be calling you to be a diocesan priest, then our monthly Discernment Group Meetings may be a good way to help you to discern this call. The first meeting takes place on Saturday September 26th. To find more, have a chat, or to register your interest, please email Fr Marius at vocations@corkandross.org