ST AIDAN'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

ENNISCORTHY, DIOCESE OF FERNS

NEWSLETTER

THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8TH NOVEMBER 2026 (CYCLE A)

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MASS TIMES
Monday to Saturday

10am	St. Aidan's	
7pm	St. Senan's	
9.30am	Marshalstown	**Tuesday**
9.30am	Castledockrell	**Thursday**

followed by adoration until 11am

Weekend

Saturday	6pm	St. Aidan's
	7pm	St. Senan's
	7.30pm	Marshalstown
Sunday	9.30am	Castledockrell
	10am	St. Aidan's
	11am	St. Senan's
	12 noon	St. Aidan's

FR. BILLY VISITS TO THE SICK

Fr. Billy will visit the sick of his area on the week of Tuesday 17th of November.

WEEK OF WITNESS

Every November, the Pontifical Charity, Aid to the Church in Need, focuses in a special way on those who have suffered for their Christian faith. The martyrs of yesterday, today, and sadly even the future.
November, typically a month Christians associate with praying for the dead, provides the perfect opportunity to call to mind those who were unyielding and doubtless in their commitment to Christ.
ACN's Week of Witness, celebrated this year from November 15-22, encourages you to remember the heroic sacrifice of these men and women and highlight the present injustices Christians are facing around the world because of their precious faith.

RED WEDNESDAY

Contained in the Week of Witness is Red Wednesday, celebrated on November 18. On this day, participants are invited to wear red to symbolise the blood of the martyrs - blood still being shed today.
During the Week of Witness, we invite parishes around the country to remember the legacy of our martyrs and pray for the end of Christian persecution in our world today. Let us create a world where Christians can thrive. To find out more about ACN's Week of Witness and Red Wednesday, log onto **acnireland.org**

ST. CARLO ACUTIS RELIC

St. Carlo Acutis 1st Class Relic Installation will take place in St Aidan's Church **FERNS** on **20th November at 7pm.** Blessing with Relic will take place on that Friday and also following Mass on the 22nd November. All are most welcome.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

You have powers you never dreamed of. You can do things you never thought you could do. There are no limitations in what you can do except the limitations in your own mind as to what you cannot do. Don't think you cannot. Think you can.
Darwin P. Kingsley

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of St. Aidan's Parish, a caring community rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ and united around the table of the Eucharist, strive to reflect the love and mercy of God. We are committed to making our parish a place where each person feels welcomed accepted and valued.

ST. AIDAN'S CATHEDRAL HAS A LIVE WEBCAM STREAMING 24 HOURS A DAY. THE CAMERA IS FOCUSED ON THE ALTAR, SANCTUARY AND FRONT STEPS OF THE ALTAR. SUNDAY MASSES ARE RECORDED AND RETAINED ON CHURCH SERVICES TV WEBSITE FOR ONE MONTH. YOU CAN WATCH MASS & SERVICES LIVE FROM ST. AIDAN'S CATHEDRAL BY GOING TO http://www.churchservices.tv/enniscorthycathedral. Compliant with all GDPR requirements.

HEATING UPDATE: Unfortunately, we do not have any heating in the Cathedral at present. The system has developed a major leak, which means we cannot use the heating. We are currently working at trying to resolve the issue. We would advise parishioners coming to mass that you might need to wrap up warm until we get the heating up and running again. We apologise for any inconvenience caused.

REMEMBRANCE MASSES

Mass to remember all those who have died in the last twelve months in our pastoral area (and whose funeral took place from each church) will take place in the following churches in the Pastoral Area on the following dates -
St. Aidan's Cathedral—Saturday 7th of November at 6pm
Castledockrell—Sunday 8th of November at 9:30pm
St. Senan's—Saturday 14th of November at 7pm.
Marshalstown—Saturday 21st of November 7:30pm
We remember and keep in our prayers all parishioners who have lost loved ones and those who may have lost loved ones who lived outside of our pastoral area.
God, thank you for the special people in our lives whom we are remembering in a special way during the month of November. We thank you for being a compassionate God who walks with us in our dark moments of grief and loneliness. We are thankful for all who continue to love and support us through our grief. Lord, continue to be a light for us, giving us hope, direction and courage. May we now live our lives treasuring the memories of those special people we have known and loved and help us to bring light and hope to others. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.
Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon them may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

LAUNCH OF NEW POETRY COLLECTION

Among the Fields of God draws on Sean O'Leary's experiences of working with parish communities across the Diocese of Ferns and accompanying participants in pastoral ministry programs. The poems celebrate the quiet faith, generosity and service of priests, parish volunteers, lay ministers, catechists and many others who sustain parish life. The launch takes place on **Saturday 28 November at 11.00am in the Pastoral Centre, St Peter's College, Wexford,** with a foreword by Bishop Ger Nash and the launch by Mary Ellen Hawkey of Christian Media Trust, followed by refreshments. *Among the Fields of God* will be available on the day and all proceeds will go to support *'Our Future Church'*.

IN NOVEMBER, WE REMEMBER

November is the month when we traditionally remember all our faithful departed. Envelopes are available in all our churches or in your envelope box or you can use any envelope marked November Pius list and return it to any of the four churches and your loved ones will be remembered at masses during the month of November.

NOVEMBER PRAYER

Lord God, whose days are without end and whose mercies beyond counting, keep us mindful that life is short and the hour of death unknown. Let your Spirit guide our days on earth in the ways of holiness and justice, that we may serve you in union with the whole Church,
Sure in faith, strong in hope, perfect in love. And when our earthly dwelling is ended, lead us rejoicing into your kingdom where you live for ever and ever. Amen.
Order of Christian Funerals, 332

THE HOOK OF FAITH

'For the Proper use of Wealth' is the prayer intention of Pope Leo for the month of November. We also pray for him as he embarks this week on visits to Uruguay, Argentina and Peru. We have a homily for the Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time that focuses on our need to be ready for Christ's return and not to be complacent. 'Rise' is a new film documentary that tells the inspiring story of the charity 'Mary's Meals' and its work in Africa. We feature the life of Mr. Niall McDonagh who died recently and the legacy of faith and hope he leaves behind. Pope St Leo the Great is our saint of the week and we explore how the internet is helping spread the faith. 'Word on Fire' shines a light on the problem of fraud as a social sin and evil and attacks the common good. Finally, an article explores the practise of praying for the dead in Scripture and Tradition. Check out these and other resources available at **www.thehookoffaith.com**

Saints of the Week

Mon 9th Nov -Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (c.324)
Tues 10th Nov - Pope St. Leo the Great (461)
Wed 11th Nov - St. Martin of Tours (c.316 - 397)
Thurs 12th of Nov- St. Josaphat (c.1580 - 1623)
Sat 14th of Nov—St. Laurence O'Toole (1128 - 1180) Patron Saint of the Archdiocese of Dublin.





Pope's Intention for November

For the proper use of wealth – Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

PARISH ENVELOPE COLLECTION (WHITE)

Weekend of 1st November- €1235

We thank all our parishioners and donors for your continued and generous contributions during the past year.

CONFESSIONS IN THE PASTORAL AREA

St. Aidan's Cathedral Confessions on Friday and Saturday morning after the 10am mass in the prayer room, and before the Saturday Evening mass at 5:30pm in the confession Box to the left of Altar.

Holy Communion for Coeliacs

Holy Communion for those who are coeliac, or gluten intolerant is distributed at the beginning of communion time to the left of the altar. Please indicate to any of our Eucharistic ministers if you wish to receive a coeliac host. Coeliac hosts not entirely gluten free and may contain traces of gluten.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Spend an hour with Jesus! ***New Adorers welcome***

Takes place every week on Thursday after mass for vocations until 11:30am. Friday after mass until 5pm and Saturday after mass until 11:30am.

READERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

6pm Marie O'Tiarnaigh
10am Children's Mass **12pm** ———

FAMILY MASS



(Third Sunday of the month)
The next family Mass is on
15th November at 10am.
All families are welcome and encouraged to attend.

CHRISTMAS AT ST. AIDAN'S PARISH SHOP

We have our Christmas gifts now available at the Parish Shop/Office. Parish Christmas cards also available pack of 12 for €10. Christmas Mass Bouquet card €10 each. I Lit a Candle for you at Christmas cards €1 each. Pop in for a browse. Open every day from 10am to 1pm.

DIOCESAN ADORATION COMMITTEE

Christmas Card Packs

Pack of 10 for €10 (see poster in porch)

A5 laminated cards with envelope. Mix of 5 cards in each pack. All proceeds to the spread of Eucharistic Adoration. Orders taken up to Fri 27th Nov. To order, contact committee member Pat Pierce 087 2244675. Place your order now.

Ferns Youth Ministry will be holding a church gate collection **this weekend 7th and 8th November**, by students who are going on the pilgrimage to Medjugorje this year. 30 young people have signed up to take part in the youth pilgrimage which provides a wonderful opportunity for our young people to grow in their faith, strengthen friendships and deepen their spiritual journey. The church gate collection will provide an opportunity for the young people to raise some funds towards the cost of the pilgrimage and to support the work of Ferns Youth Ministry. Thank you.

BAPTISMS

Congratulations to the families of
Amelia Phelan, Audrey Phelan & Zachary Phelan,
Conor Noah O'Leary, Croía Millie Murphy
who were baptised recently in St. Aidan's Cathedral

St Patrick's Church, Craanford, Gorey
An Evening for November
WHEN WE REMEMBER

Presented by the parish together with James Kilbane, Gospel Singer & Parish guest. The evening takes place on **Sunday 8th November at 6pm at St Patrick's Church, Craanford, Gorey, Co. Wexford.** This is a modest parish community service **and is not a concert. A voluntary collection will be taken to help cover expenses.** All are warmly welcome from Craanford and the surrounding communities.

ST.VINCENT DE PAUL LOCAL BRANCH
CONFIDENTIAL CONTACT LINE 087 1413153.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEKEND

SAT	**6pm**	Recently Bereaved Mass, Matthew Goodall and his son in law Mark, Bridget O'Connor **Annivs**
SUN	**10am**	**Novena,** Elizabeth (Lily) Dempsey & remember her husband Peter, Lily Dempsey **Annivs,** Monica Ward **RD,** Special Intention, Thanksgiving Intention
SUN	**12pm**	John Mitchell, Bob & Molly Wickham, Pattie & Tom Breen, William Cogley & rem his daughter Marguerite, Kathleen Kehoe, Tom & Margaret Kerrigan, Bernadette & Edmund Kennedy, Thomas Murphy **All Annivs,** Maria & Donal McAlister **Rem**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

MON	**10am**	Novena, Lil Kenny **Anniv**, Pat Leacy **REM**, Fiona Keegan **B'day REM**, Patricia Wheelock **RD**
TUES	**10am**	Deceased Benefactors and People's intentions
WED	**10am**	Mary & Martin Doyle **Anniv** & daughter Theresa **Rem,** Mary Leech **RD,** Thanksgiving for Ruth, Healing for Aoife, Int Philomena
THU	**10am**	Richard Nolan **Anniv,** Intention for Joan
FRI	**10am**	Bridget Sinnott **Anniv**
SAT	**10am**	Patrick O'Toole **30th Anniv,** Patrick Bourke **Anniv**
SAT	**6pm**	Anna Mairead Moulds, Mary & Thomas Wall & their daughter Mary (**1st Anniv),** Pat & Margaret Carty, Cathal Murphy, Minnie O'Connor, Richard, Peg & Matt O'Connor, Catherine Hyland, Benny Maguire **All Annivs**
SUN	**10am**	Nicholas Murphy Snr. **Anniv**
SUN	**12pm**	Francis, Dolly & Rita O'Connor, Theresa Cash, Trevor & Tony Booth, John & Nancy Foley, Anna Bolger, Art & Mary Byrne **All Anniv,** Nancy & Harry Lynch, Kathleen Kelly, Nancy & Patrick Booth **All REM**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Mary Leech, Blackwater
May she rest in peace



MISSION SUNDAY

As the Mission Month of October has ended, all at Missio Ireland thank you for your support of Mission Sunday. If you have not donated before and you wish to do so you donate over the phone [(01) 497 2035] or on our website: https://missio.ie/donate/. Thanks to those people who donated to the collection in St. Aidan's.

ENNISCORTHY SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Enniscorthy special Olympics Club are **looking to recruit new Athletes**. Membership is open to any person with an intellectual disability from the age of 4 years. Family or relatives of an Athlete are welcome and encouraged to play an active role in supporting athletes. We are looking also to recruit new volunteer members. We meet on a Saturday morning from 10am to 11.30am in the Astro Centre, Bellefield. The 3 sports we do at present are Bocce, Bowling and Athletics.

ABIDE Women's Conference 20–22 November:

Join hundreds of women at the **Great Northern Hotel, Bundoran, Co. Donegal**, in just a few weeks for our third Abide Women's Conference! Speakers include Sarah Swafford, Danielle Noonan, Kimberlee Woo Ling, Fr Oisín Martin CFR, Fr Barry Braum, the Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr David Nugent and Fr Mark Wharton, with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin. A beautiful weekend of **faith, celebration, healing and joy! Register on Eventbrite: Abide in His Love.**

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

St John's Community Hospital December 4th11am-4pm

All proceeds go to activities for Residents of St. John's Community Hospital. Crafts and teats made by residents, their family and friends. Come along, have a tea or coffee and a sweet treat and pick for some of our lovely crafts on the day. Christmas Stocking, Christmas Eve Boxes, Christmas Cards and much much more.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

Sat 5th & Sun 6th December in the Athenaeum (downstairs).
10am to 5pm daily. All interested crafts people please contact Maura Flannery on 085-7723329

NEW RECOVERY IRELAND MEETING

Recovery Self Help Method Ireland is delighted to announce a brand-new, free weekly meeting in Enniscorthy. Every Monday at 7.30pm in the Legion of Mary Hall, Convent Road, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford, Y21 KN81 (opposite SuperValu). Our meetings offer support for people experiencing anxiety, depression, OCD, anger, insomnia and nervousness. Free • Confidential • Adults 18+ Welcome. No referral necessary Queries- iPhone, WhatsApp or text Charles at (086) 827 9374.

Parish Office and Shop located in 1 Irish Street.
Open 10am-1pm—Monday to Friday. All are welcome.

Deadline for items for the newsletter including Anniversary Masses is Wednesday at 5pm

PLEASE TAKE A COPY OF THE NEWSLETTER HOME WITH YOU OR ONE FOR A NEIGHBOUR, RELATIVE or FRIEND.