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## Vocations Sunday

One year ago this weekend, Pope Francis was laid to rest in Rome. In the conclave that followed, Cardinal Robert Prevost recalled being asked about the conclave and he replied by saying: **“I think everything is in the hands of God, and I believe that profoundly”**.

He also said at the conclave, as he saw how it was emerging he prayed: **“Here we go Lord. You are in charge, you lead the way”**.

Ireland's vocational landscape in 2026 feels suspended between grief and quiet hope. Vocations to priesthood and religious life remain few but their nature is shifting. The challenge is no longer “How to attract more” but “how to recognise the Spirit already moving”.

Ireland's faith is being stripped back to essentials: hospitality; justice; care of creation and prayer.

In that stripped back church, vocations emerge differently, not as a numbers game, but as a prophetic whisper.

While traditional pathways may be fewer, there remains a quiet but resilient call to service and community. The challenge now is not to lament decline but to recognise new forms of calling emerging in unexpected places, among lay people in small faith communities.

We need to be open to the unexpected as it may be revealing hidden treasures.

We have 3 people currently discerning the call to priesthood, please pray for them and especially for Ian who will be ordained to the priesthood on 31<sup>st</sup> May in the Friary.



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### Mass of Anniversaries

May 2nd

**Tubber 6.30pm/ Dysart 8pm**

May 3rd

**Ballinruan/ Kilnaboy 9.30am**

May 10th

**Rath 9.30am**

May 16th

**Boston 6.30 pm/ Ruan 8pm**

May 17th

**Crusheen 9.30am**

**Corofin 11am**

Please contact Imeall Boirne Office with names of your loved ones for inclusion in Mass of Anniversaries.

### Baptisms

Please contact Imeall Boirne Office for details. Information available on [www.imeallboirne.ie](http://www.imeallboirne.ie)

### Thought for the Week

“Peace is a precious gift, which must be promoted and protected ..... Never has the use of violence brought peace in its wake.

War begets war, violence begets violence.” Pope Francis

**Mission Appeal:** It was great to hear Sisters Jarka and Nuala from the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary at our Masses last weekend. We continue to pray for their missionary work and support them in their work. Mile Buiochas to all who contributed so generously to their appeal. The amount collected: €3,938.70.

### Imeall Boirne Coordinating Group

Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup> Meeting in Tubber Hall @ 8pm

**Parish Accounts 2025:** The Annual Parish Accounts for 2025 are being presented over the next number of weekends. As parishes we are grateful to the volunteers who manage our Parish Accounts. A big Thank You to each one for their attention to our parish finances and their professionalism shown toward the work involved. Copies of the Accounts will be made available over the coming weeks at the entrances to our churches.

### Dates for First Holy Communion Ceremonies 2026

Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup>

Crusheen NS 11am St Cronan's Church, Crusheen

Toonagh NS 11am St Tola's Church, Dysart

Kilnaboy NS 1pm St Joseph's Church, Kilnaboy

Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup>

Corofin NS 11am St Brigid's Church, Corofin

Ruan NS 11am St Mary's Church, Ruan

Tubber NS /Boston NS 1pm St Michael's Church, Tubber



### Pope Leo XIV Saurimo, Africa 20 April 2026

The Easter witness, therefore, certainly pertains to Christ, the crucified one who is risen, but it also pertains even to us because in him the proclamation of our resurrection finds its voice. We did not come into the world to die. We were not born to become slaves either to the corruption of the flesh or that of the soul: every form of oppression, violence, exploitation and dishonesty negates the resurrection of Christ, the supreme gift of our freedom. This liberation from death, in fact, does not happen only at the end of our days, but every day of our lives. What must we do to welcome such a gift? The Gospel itself teaches us: “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent” (Jn 6:29). Yes, let us believe! Today, let us say it together with strength and with gratitude to you, Lord Jesus. We want to follow you and serve you in our neighbour: your word is our rule of life, the measure of truth.

**Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving** for those people who have died under the care of Milford Care Centre at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Castletroy, on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 3pm

## Corofin / Kilnaboy / Rath

Sunday 26th April

**Rath 9.30am** Mass for the People

**Corofin 11am** Michael Hogan RIP 1st Anniversary

Weekday Masses

**Corofin:** Monday, Thursday & Friday at 9:30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

**Corofin** each Friday 10:00 am - 5 pm

Sunday 3rd May

**Kilnaboy 9.30am** Mass of Anniversaries

**Corofin 11am** Mass for the People

**St Brigid's Church Cleaning** Will take place on Monday 27th April after the 9.30am Mass. All help greatly appreciated, Thank-you !

**Rosary at Our Lady's Grotto in Corofin**

Each evening during May at 8pm . All Welcome.

**The Festival of Finn 2026** is set to take place from April 30 to May 4 during the May Bank Holiday Weekend. This year's theme is 'Anything Goes' offering participants the opportunity to get creative and plan their own ideas for the parade.

**Cumann Staire is Dúchais Chora Finne** Invite you to a talk by Sean Davoren on the 'Secrets of Caherconnell Ringfort', Carron on Thursday April 30 at 8.30 pm in Corofin Hall as part of Féile Finne/The Festival of Finn

**Heritage Talk X-PO** Nick Geh is the guest speaker at X-PO's next heritage talk on April 30th at 8.30 p.m. The illustrated talk is entitled 'Another Eye -The Burren from the Air'

**Spring into Storytime** picture book reading is going to be held in Corofin Library on the Wednesday morning of the 29<sup>th</sup> of April from 11am

## Tubber / Boston

Saturday 25th April

**Boston 6.30pm** Mass for the People

Weekday Mass

**Tubber** Friday 9.30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

**Tubber** Tuesday 7pm - 8pm

Saturday 2nd May

**Tubber 6.30pm** Pa (Patrick) Howard RIP  
Month's Mind Mass

Mass of Anniversaries

*Aidan & Elizabeth Earley (Derryowen)  
Anne Fogarty, Jarlath Fogarty, John Fogarty,  
Patrick Fogarty.*

**Tubber N.S Clothes Collection Fund Raiser**

any unwanted clothes can be left at Carmels house H91 K7HH before the 27th April 2026. Thank-you

## Ruan / Dysart

Saturday 25th April

**Ruan 8pm** Mass for the People

Morning Masses

**Dysart:** Wednesday at 9.30am

**Ruan** Thursday 9.30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

**Dysart** - Wednesday from 10:00am to 1 pm

**Ruan** - Wednesday from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Saturday 2nd May

**Ruan 4pm** Gerard Leonard RIP Month's Mind

**Dysart 8pm** Mass of Anniversaries

*Nora O'Neill, Kathleen O'Neill, Sr Cecilia O'Neill,  
John O'Donoghue (Toonagh)*

*Tom O'Donoghue (Surrey, England)*

*The O'Donoghue Family (Dromina)*

*The O'Donoghue Family (Cappamore, Kinvara)*

*Michael O'Donoghue (Cooraclare)*

*Deceased Members of the Burns Family (Nooan)*

*Maureen & William Ballinger,*

*Liam Ballinger, PJ Ballinger,*

*James Hogan, Micko Neylon, Paddy Crowe.*

Thank-you for your recent donations  
& continued support.

## Crusheen / Ballinruan

Saturday 25th April

**Crusheen 4pm** Christina O'Loughlin RIP  
1st Anniversary Mass

Sunday 26th April

**Crusheen 9.30am** Mass for the People

Weekday Masses

Crusheen Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30am

Adoration of the Eucharist

**Crusheen** Thurs 10:00am to **8:00pm**

Sunday 3rd May

**Ballinruan 9.30am** Mass of Anniversaries

*Deceased Members of the Keehan Family,*

*Deceased Members of Moylan Family,*

*Deceased Members of Minogue Family,*

**Crusheen Drama Group** present a one act play 'Interior Designs' by Jimmy Chinn, produced by Jackie Scanlon. Sunday April 26th at 8pm in Crusheen Community Centre. All welcome, raffle on the night, admission free. We would love to see you there.

# Today's Scripture Readings

## Entrance Antiphon

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;  
By the word of the Lord the heavens were made,  
alleluia.

### PENITENTIAL RITE

- P. Have mercy on us, O Lord  
C. **For we have sinned against you.**
- P. Show us, O Lord, your mercy.  
C. **And grant us your salvation.**
- P. May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins, and bring us to  
everlasting life.  
C. **Amen.**

### GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to  
people of good will. We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks  
for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King,  
God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with  
the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

**Amen.**

## A reading from the Acts of the Apostles Ac 2:14.36-41

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the  
Eleven and addressed the crowd with a loud  
voice: "The whole House of Israel can be certain  
that God has made this Jesus whom you cruci-  
fied both Lord and Christ."

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said  
to Peter and the apostles, "What must we do,  
brothers?" "You must repent," Peter answered  
"and every one of you must be baptised in the  
name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins,  
and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The  
promise that was made is for you and your chil-  
dren, and for all those who are far away, for all  
those whom the Lord our God will call to himself."  
He spoke to them for a long time using many  
arguments, and he urged them, "Save yourselves  
from this perverse generation." They were con-  
vinced by his arguments, and they accepted  
what he said and were baptised. That very day  
about three thousand were added to their number.

**The word of the Lord**

### Responsorial Psalm

**Response: The Lord is my Shepherd, there is  
nothing I shall want**

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.  
Fresh and green are the pastures  
where he gives me repose  
Near restful waters he leads me,  
to revive my drooping spirit. R

He guides me along the right path;  
he is true to his name.  
If I should walk in the valley of darkness  
no evil would I fear.  
You are there with your crook and your staff;  
with these you give me comfort. R

You have prepared a banquet for me  
in the sight of my foes.  
My head you have anointed with oil;  
my cup is overflowing. R

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow  
me all the days of my life.  
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell  
for ever and ever. R

## A reading from the first letter of St. Peter 1 Pt 2:20-25

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing  
punishment patiently when you are punished  
after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called  
to do, because Christ suffered for you and left  
an example for you to follow the way he took.  
He had not done anything wrong, and there  
had been no perjury in his mouth. He was  
insulted and did not retaliate with insults;  
when he was tortured he made no threats but  
he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was  
bearing our faults in his own body on the  
cross, so that we might die to our faults and  
live for holiness; through his wounds you  
have been healed. You had gone astray like  
sheep but now you have come back to the  
shepherd and guardian of your souls.

**The word of the Lord**

### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my own sheep and my own know me.  
Alleluia!*

## Reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Jn 10:1-10

Jesus said: 'I tell you most solemnly, anyone  
who does not enter the sheepfold through the  
gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and  
a brigand. The one who enters through the  
gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gate-  
keeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice,  
one by one he calls his own sheep and leads  
them out. When he has brought out his flock,  
he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow

because they know his voice. They never  
follow a stranger but run away from him: they  
do not recognise the voice of strangers.'  
Jesus told them this parable but they failed to  
understand what he meant by telling it to  
them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:  
'I tell you most solemnly,  
I am the gate of the sheepfold.  
All others who have come  
are thieves and brigands;  
but the sheep took no notice of  
them.  
I am the gate.  
Anyone who enters through me will  
be safe:  
he will go freely in and out  
and be sure of finding pasture.  
The thief comes  
only to steal and kill and destroy.  
I have come  
so that they may have life  
and have it to the full.'

## The Gospel of the Lord

### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible  
and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven, and by the Holy  
Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and  
became man. For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and  
was buried, and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascend-  
ed into heaven and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father. He will come again in glory to  
judge the living and the dead and his king-  
dom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver  
of life, who proceeds from the Father and the  
Son, who with the Father and the Son is  
adored and glorified, who has spoken through  
the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic  
Church. I confess one Baptism for the for-  
giveness of sins and I look forward to the res-  
urrection of the dead and the life of the world  
to come. **Amen.**

### Communion Antiphon

**The Good Shepherd has risen,  
Who laid down his life for his sheep  
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia**