

**Our Lady of the Rosary**

**Our Church from 1950  
Our Parish from 1964**



**Parish Newsletter  
19 April 2026**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**Thought for the Day**

Jesus' encounter with the two disciples of Emmaus is a fleeting one. But the entire destiny of the Church is contained within it. It tells us that the Christian community is not enclosed within a fortified citadel but rather journeys along its most essential environment, which is the road. And there, it encounters people with their hopes and disappointments, burdensome at times.

The Church listens to everyone's stories as they emerge from the treasure chest of personal conscience, in order to then offer the Word of Life, the witness of love, a love that is faithful until the end. And thus, the hearts of people reignite with hope.

[Pope Francis, 2017; from Intercom, April 2026]

**Ministry to the Housebound**

We had an active Ministry to the Housebound for many years before Covid, when it was suspended. We brought the Holy Eucharist each Sunday to parishioners who were unable to get to church for Mass. Currently, those who are visited by a priest around the First Friday of each month, really would appreciate being able to receive Holy Communion more often.

We want to resume this service but, in order to do so, we need additional Ministers of the Eucharist. Would you like to support this initiative? Would you be prepared to get involved? If so, please leave your name and contact details in the Sacristy.

**Hospitality on Wednesdays**

All are invited for tea / coffee / chat in the Parish Centre after 10:00 am Mass on Wednesday.

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**Platinum Wedding Anniversary**

Congratulations and Best Wishes to parishioners, Joe & Eilís Willis, who celebrated the 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their marriage during the week. May God bless you both.  
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**The Knitted Bible Exhibition**

The Knitted Bible Project brings 28 scenes from the Old and New Testaments to life through the creative talents of the Rev. Abigail Sines and the Mindful Makers craft group of the Church of the Resurrection in Blarney, Co. Cork. The work is due to be put on display in St. Bartholomew's Church, Athea in the coming weeks.

**Easter Dues & Parish Clerk's Collection**

Thank you to all who have returned the Offering Envelopes to the Church over Easter and to those who will drop them in as soon as possible. Please ensure that cheques for the priests are made payable to 'Our Lady of the Rosary Parish' and cheques for the sacristan are payable to 'Margaret Clifford'. Don't forget to put your Weekly Envelope number on the Dues Envelopes so that your tax benefit may accrue to the parish.

**Diocesan Needs Collection**

Please include your contribution for Diocesan Needs with the Offertory Collection this weekend 18 / 19 April.

**Celebratory Concert at St. Saviour's**

A celebration in honour of St. Catherine of Siena will take place on Wednesday 29 April at 7:30 pm in St. Saviour's Dominican Church, Limerick, featuring Gregorian Chant and Medieval Polyphony music. Tickets at €15 are available on Eventbrite or in St. Saviour's parish office. This is a fundraiser for their restoration fund.

**Trócaire Lenten Appeal**

Please return your family contribution in the coming week so that we may include all in a single cheque from the parish. You may use the envelope provided by Trócaire or the one in your box of Weekly Envelopes.

**Mass Intentions**

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| Sat 18 Apr  | 18:00 | Marjorie Tobin (1 <sup>st</sup> A); John O'Reilly (A); Kay Reynolds (A); Mary Fogarty (Rem)     |
| Sun 19 Apr  | 10:00 | Mary Casserly (A); Chris O'Gorman (A)   |
|             | 11:30 | John Leddin (Rec Dec); John & Sheila Doherty (A); Olive O'Brien (MM); Anne Keane (A)            |
| Mon 20 Apr  | 10:00 | <i>Pro Popolo</i>   |
| Tues 21 Apr | 10:00 | Rita Kirby (Rec Dec)  |
| Wed 22 Apr  | 10:00 | Michael Savage (A)  |
| Thur 23 Apr | 10:00 |   |
| Fri 24 Apr  | 10:00 | Catherine Prendergast (Rec Dec)   |
| Sat 25 Apr  |       | Salesian Class of 1976; prayers for deceased members and for teachers living and dead           |
| Sat 25 Apr  | 12:00 | Memorial Mass for the late Miriam Mehlin, née McCarthy (R.I.P.)                                 |
|             | 18:00 | <i>Vigil Mass</i>   |
| Sun 26 Apr  | 10:00 | <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>  |
|             | 11:30 | Anne O'Connor (A); Mary Hogan (A); Tony Considine (A); Mary Martin (A); Paddy & Helen Keane (A) |