

Nenagh Parish News

20 July 2025

St Mary of the Rosary
1896-2025

St John the Baptist
1970-2025

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Mass Times

St Mary of the Rosary

Weekend Masses:

Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion | Saturday 10am
Saturday Vigil Mass | 6.15pm
Sunday 8am | 12 noon | 6pm

Weekday Masses

8am | 11am

Adoration | Weekdays 5-7pm

Confessions | Sat after Liturgy

Parish Radio: 106.2FM

St John the Baptist, Tyone

Saturday | 7.30pm

Sunday | 10.30am

Polish Mass | 2nd & 4th Sunday

Each Month | 1pm

Odhrán Pastoral Area

Mass Times

Friday

Portroe 7.30pm

Killeen 7.30pm

Saturday

Youghalarra 6.30pm

Puckane 7.30pm

Templederry 7.00pm

(and Wednesdays at 7.00pm)

Silvermines 8.00pm

Sunday

Carrig 10.00am

Portroe 10.00am

Ballywilliam 11.15am

Curreeny 10.00am

Silvermines 11.00am

This Week We Offer A Special Prayer for ...Welcoming

Heavenly Father,
you have welcomed us into your kingdom
and your heart's desire is to draw every human
being to yourself.

Help us to know people as you know them,
sensitive feet to stand in their shoes, and warm
smiles to welcome them in your name.
Give us such generous hearts, that our church
becomes a foretaste of heaven where every
soul you send us finds their loving home in the
community of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

Feast Days for the Week Ahead

21st	St Lawrence of Brindisi
22nd	St Mary Magdalene
23rd	St Bridget of Sweeden, Religious Patron of Europe
24th	St Declan
25th	St James
St Bridget of Sweeden was born into a very wealthy landowners' family in Uppland Sweeden. She married at the age of 14 and had eight children of whom two died in infancy. Her husband died when she was 34. She then joined the Order of St Francis and devoted herself to a life of prayer and caring for the sick and poor. She founded the Bridgettine Nuns and Monks.	

Grandparents and Elderly: Join us at Knock Shrine! Sunday 27 July at 2:30 pm

Celebrate the National Grandparents Pilgrimage and the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. A day of grace, blessing & prayer for families, our church, and our future.
All are welcome bring your family - bring hope and joy
Annointing Mass
Rosary (weather permitting)
Celebrant: Archbishop Francis Duffy
Music: Una Nolan and Choirs guest soloist Dana
Visit our website for resources:
www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org

Lisboney Graveyard Mass

Monday 28th July @ 7.30pm

Killaloe-Ballina Local History Society

Will host their next lecture "The Irish in Kenya" on 23 July 2025 in the Lakeside Hotel, Ballina/Killaloe at 7:30pm.
Bróna Ní Mhuirí will share her insight on the history and contribution of the Irish in Kenya, a continuous thread for over 100 years; From Aviators to Agriculturists; Medics to Missionaries.
All are welcome, our talks are free of charge.

Light the Fire

Come and celebrate our Catholic faith on Slane - the hill where St Patrick lit the first Paschal fire in 433AD. This is a divine invitation to witness the Archbishop of Armagh symbolically light the fire of faith, hope and love, first kindled by our patron saint. Eurovision's Dana will sing her song for St Patrick, Light the Fire. Gathering begins at noon and includes Mass, Eucharistic healing, praise and worship and Rosary. More info at lighththefire.ie or email info@lighththefire.ie

Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Bishop Fintan will lead our Diocesan Autumn Jubilee Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Monday 29th September to Saturday 4th October, direct from Shannon Airport. The remaining seats can be booked with joewalshtours.ie or tel: 01 2410800

Anniversaries | Sat 19 - Sun 27 July

St Mary of the Rosary

Sat 19th 6.15pm	Elser Mitchell
Sun 20th 8am	Ann & Gertrude Gaffney & deceased family members
Sun 20th 12noon	Joe & Pauline McMahon
	Mary Jones
	Maureen Greene
	Martin & Julia O'Meara
	Eileen O'Brien
Sun 20th 6pm	Timmy & Mary O'Donoghue
Weds 23rd 11am	John & Kate Butler
	Tom & Margaret Hourigan
	Denis & Breda Brett
Thurs 24th 11am	Michael Courtney
Fri 25th 11am	Dick White & deceased family members
Sun 27th 12noon	Mary Kate O'Brien
	Kathleen & Tommy Whelan
	Bernie Langton & her son Keith
	Sarah, Paddy & Donal Cleary & Emily Byron Cleary
	James & Betty Boyd & deceased family members
	St John the Baptist
Sat 19th 7.30pm	James Burke
Sun 27th 10.30am	William & Bridget McGrath & son Seán
	M.M. Thomas

Our Faithful Departed

Sr. Regina Powell

May She Rest In Peace. Amen

Readers | 26-27 July 2025

6.15pm	Peggy Shoer
7.30pm	Ann Marie McCann
8am	Geraldine Armitage
10.30am	Patricia Fitzgerald
12noon	Conor DeLoughrey
6pm	Martin O'Brien

PARISH NOTICE BOARD

Weekly Collection €3,453 Thank you for your generosity.
Office Opening Hours Mon-Fri | 9am-5pm
(4pm on Fridays)

Bra & Prosthesis Fitting Service

This service is provided to women who have had full or partial breast surgery for breast cancer regardless of when you've had your surgery. Fittings will be carried out in Suaimehneas Cancer Support Centre, 2 Clonaslee, Gortlandroe, Nenagh, by professional nurses, from Bravelle Ltd
Our next fitting day: Thursday 14 August 2025 by appointment only
Appointments will take place on a "one to one" basis in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

· Privacy and confidentiality assured.
· Medical card holders & private clients welcome.
· Swimwear also available. 067-37403 or Call Bravelle and speak to Pauline or Kate on 061-351886 or 087-9397899 www.bravelleshop.com
To make an appointment contact suaimehneas on 067-37403

Location: Suaimehneas Cancer Support Centre, 2 Clonaslee, Gortlandroe, Nenagh



How to Donate to Nenagh Parish

For technical reasons, the Tap to Donate facility has been removed from St Mary of the Rosary Church. We have generated this QR code that can be used to make your weekly donation on our Payzone online. This is an alternative method of contributing to the weekly Parish Collection.

Wishing every success to our wonderful Tipperary Senior Team as they line up to represent our county in the All-Ireland Senior Hurling Final this weekend.

God knows, in this troubled world right now, we need heroes, we need laughter, we need banter, we need the unity that comes from joining together to cheer for Team Tipp!

Whatever happens, we thank you for the world of pride and joy you have already brought to our county by this great achievement.

And a special mention to our great players from the Odhrán Pastoral Area...you know who you are...we all do!!

God Bless and Safe Travels from all in

Nenagh Parish



Dear Lord, in the battle that goes on through life, I ask but a field that is fair, a chance that is equal with all in the strife, the courage to strive and to dare. If I should win, let it be by the code, with my faith and my honor held high. If I should lose, let me stand by the road and cheer as the winners go by.

A Quick Thought on Today's First Reading?

Have you ever shown hospitality to God? This seems like such a weird question, doesn't it? After all, God created the heavens and the earth. The Bible tells us that He dwells in the heavens, but this isn't even directly accurate because He Himself is far greater than the heaven that He Created. He is everywhere-present at all times, and He is a spirit who is not limited by time or space. Yet, on some level, His presence is manifested in a heavenly throne room, surrounded by precious jewels and angels who are constantly worshipping Him.

God is so great! How could we possibly entertain Him? Yet, Abraham does just that.

observes Him from afar. She is still there when Joseph of Arimathea places the body of Jesus in the sepulcher, which is closed with a stone. And on the morning of the first day of the week, she returns to the tomb, finds the stone rolled away, and runs to warn Peter and John. They in turn hurry to the empty tomb and discover that the body of the Lord is missing.

Meeting with the Risen Lord

The two disciples return home but Mary Magdalene remains at the tomb in tears. Her initial disbelief gradually turns to faith when she sees two angels and asks them if they know where Jesus' body has been taken. Then she sees Jesus Himself, but fails to recognize Him. She thinks He is the gardener, and when He asks why she is crying and who she is looking for, she replies: "Sir, if you have taken Him away, tell me where you have put Him and I will go and remove Him." But Jesus says her name, "Mary" – and she recognizes Him at once: "Rabbuni!", she says, which in Hebrew means "Master!". Jesus then tells her: "Do not cling to me because I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go and find the brothers and to tell them I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." So Mary Magdalene goes to the disciples and tells them she has seen the Lord and that He said these things to her. (cf. John 20).

She announces Jesus' Resurrection from the dead.

Mary Magdalene is the first among the women following Jesus to proclaim Him as having overcome death. She is the first to announce the joyful message of Easter. But she also proved she was among those who loved Him most when she stood at the foot of the Cross on Mount Calvary together with Mary, His Mother, and the disciple, St. John. She did not deny him or run away in fear as the other disciples did, but remained close to Him every moment, up to and including the tomb.

Saint in Profile: St Mary Magdalene

"Apostle of the Apostles" is the title given Mary Magdalene by St Thomas Aquinas. Her name comes from her home town of Magdala, a fishing village on the western shore of Lake Tiberias. St Luke the Evangelist tells us, in Chapter 8 of his Gospel, how Jesus went from town to town announcing the Good News of the Kingdom of God, and how the Twelve Apostles were with Him together with some women who had been healed of evil spirits or infirmities, and were serving them. Among these was a certain "Mary, called the Magdalene, from whom seven demons came out."

Misconceptions about her identity

As Biblical exegesis teaches, the expression 'seven demons' could indicate a serious physical or moral malady that had struck the woman and from which Jesus had freed her. But, until now, tradition has claimed that Mary Magdalene was a prostitute. This is only because in Chapter 7 of Luke's Gospel we read of the conversion of an anonymous "known sinner in that city" who, when Jesus was a guest in the house of a notable Pharisee, bathed His feet with perfume and her tears and dried them with her hair." Without any real textual connection, Mary of Magdala was identified with that unnamed prostitute. But, according to Cardinal Ravasi, there is a further misunderstanding: anointing with perfumed oil is a gesture that was also performed by Mary, the sister of Martha and Lazarus, on a different occasion, as reported by the Evangelist, St John. And so, in some popular traditions, Mary Magdalene has come to be identified with this Mary of Bethany, after being confused with the prostitute of Galilee.

At the foot of the cross

Mary Magdalene appears in the Gospels in the most dramatic moment of Jesus' life, when she accompanies Him to Calvary and, along with other women,