

# Nenagh Parish

## News

22 March 2026

St Mary of the Rosary  
1896-2026

St John the Baptist  
1970-2026

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**Mass Times**  
**St Mary of the Rosary**  
**Weekend Masses:**  
Saturday 10am | Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion  
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 ...the Fifth Sunday of Lent

My loving Lord,  
it's so hard to love the world sometimes  
and to love it the way Jesus did seems impossible.  
Help me to be inspired by his love and  
guided by his example.  
Most of all, I want to accept that I can't do it alone,  
and that trying is an arrogance of self-centeredness.  
I need you, dear God, to give me support in this journey.  
Show me how to unlock my heart  
so that I am less selfish.  
Let me be less fearful of the pain and darkness  
that will be transformed by you into Easter joy. **Amen.**

#### Feast Days for the Week Ahead

23rd St Turibius de Mogrovejo  
24th St Aldemar  
25th The Annunciation of the Lord  
26th St Margaret Clitherow  
27th St Rupert  
28th St Venturino of Bergamo

#### Alzheimer Society of Ireland | Nenagh Activity Club

Join us every Wednesday | 10:30am to 12:30pm  
Nenagh GAA Club, Nenagh North, Tipperary E45 HY06

To sign up or for more information, contact:  
Jennifer Woods Email: jennifer.woods@alzheimer.ie  
or Tel: 086 809 6039

#### Trócaire Box

Don't forget to collect your 2026 Trócaire  
Collection box in either of our Nenagh Parish  
churches right now, or indeed, across our Pastoral  
Area.

#### Divine Mercy Sunday - Nenagh

St Mary of the Rosary - 12th APRIL  
2pm. CONFESSIONS AND ADORATION  
3pm. DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET  
3.30pm HOLY MASS

Start the Novena on Good Friday and finish on Saturday 11th April.  
The Novena leaflet will be available in the Church.

#### Holy Thursday Night Vigil

Please join us after the celebration of the Lord's Last Supper on Holy  
Thursday in St Mary of the Rosary in front of the Altar of the Sacred  
Heart following the Repose of the Blessed Sacrament for silent prayer  
concluding at midnight. All are welcome to join for all or part of the  
night.



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#### Anniversaries | Sat 21 - Sun 29 March

**St Mary of the Rosary**  
**Sat 21st 6.15pm** Kathleen Riordan (MM)  
John Lee (MM)  
Kathleen (Kitty) Shoer (1st A)  
Patricia Tucker  
Janina & Marian Jaronscy  
John Moroney & his brother  
Michael  
Kathleen Dempsey  
**Sun 22nd 12 noon** Pádraic Curran (MM)  
Josephine Butler  
Ann Griffin & Michael Griffin  
Nancy Murphy & Peggy Tynan  
Katie Ryan  
**Sun 22nd 6pm** Donie Morrissey  
**Mon 23rd 11am** Esther Ryan  
**Tues 24th 8am** Kamil Bonik  
**Thurs 26th 11am** Stephanie Hanley  
**Sat 28th 6.15pm** Denis Parker (MM)  
Dean & Evan Morrissey  
Michael & Noreen Carew  
**Sun 29th 8am** Isobel Fitzpatrick (1st A)  
**Sun 29th 12 noon** Pat Kinsella (1st A)  
Joseph Coleman O'Connor  
Liam Nolan  
Ger McCarthy  
Joseph McKeon  
Liam & Olive Kinsella  
Tommy Mulcahy  
**Sun 29th 6pm**  
**St John the Baptist**  
**Sat 28th 7.30pm** Jenny & Martin Casey & their son  
Martin  
Michael Guerin

#### Our Faithful Departed

Jean Aherne  
**May She Rest In Peace. Amen**

#### PARISH OFFICE NOTICE BOARD

**Weekly Collection** €3,915 Thank you for continued Support.  
**Office Opening Hours** Mon-Fri | 9am-5pm (4pm Fridays)

#### Readers | 28 -29 March 2026

6.15pm Sean Dwan  
7.30pm Patricia Finn  
8am Tess O'Kennedy  
10.30am Patricia Fitzgerald  
12noon Eilish Carter  
6pm Martin O'Brien

#### Appeal for Musicians

Parishoners will be very aware of the rich pattern of lovely  
liturgical music and song at our Masses and ceremonies.  
This is provided by a wonderful team of choirs, cantors and  
musicians.  
Recently, however, it has been difficult to find sufficient  
musicians for the Sunday 12.00 Mass in St. Mary's. It's a very  
small commitment of just one Mass every eight weeks. If you  
play the *piano, organ or any other suitable instrument* and feel  
you could help, please contact Adrian  
on  
086 34 11 655 or at adrianmcintyre7@gmail.com  
**Let us praise the Lord in song!**

## Fifth Sunday of Lent

# LAZARUS

JOHN 11:1-44



**RAISED FROM  
THE DEAD**

### Paidir i nGaeilge do mhí an Mhárta Prayer in Irish for the month of March

#### Apostles' Creed

Creidim i nDia, an tAthair uilechumhachtach,  
cruthaitheoir neimhe agus talaimh,  
agus in Íosa Críost,  
a aon mhacsan, ár dTiarna,  
a gabhadh ón Spiorad Naomh,  
a rugadh ó Mhuire Ógh,  
a d'fhulaing páis faoi Phontius Píoláit,  
a céasadh ar chrois, a fuair bás agus a hadhlacadh,  
a chuaigh síos go hifreann,  
a d'éirigh an treas lá ó mhairbh,  
a chuaigh suas ar neamh,  
atá ina shuí ar dheis Dé,  
an tAthair uilechumhachtach,  
as sin tiocfaidh sé chun breithiúnas a thabhairt  
ar bheo agus ar mhairbh.  
Creidim sa Spiorad Naomh,  
sa NaomhEaglais Chaitliceach,  
i gcomaoin na naomh,  
i maithiúnas na bpeacaí,  
in aiséirí na gcorp,  
agus sa bheatha shíoraí. Amen

rising of Joseph to fly to Egypt, the rising of the paralysed man who  
fetches his mat, the rising of blind Bartimaeus. However, what the crowd  
notices is Mary's rising (anistemi), a word connected later with Jesus'  
own resurrection. Something has changed in Mary, and it is obvious to  
the bystanders. Perhaps we could try to recognise what has brought us  
an inner awakening in similar situations. Perhaps we can listen out for the  
words that might bring us round if we are still stuck in overwhelming grief.  
Unlike her sister, Mary draws a crowd before she falls at Jesus' feet. She  
repeats the first bit of what her sister has already said: 'if you had been  
here...' But she makes no profession of faith. Her raw tears and tears of  
her consolers move Jesus profoundly. After his own words from John  
1:39 are echoed back to him, Jesus weeps.

Despite her private profession of faith just moments ago, Martha objects  
to Jesus' instructions to take the stone away because of the stench of  
death. Mary is not mentioned anymore here, but we know that something  
profound is quietly forming in her heart. In the next chapter she anoints  
Jesus' feet with an extremely expensive ointment and the sweet fragrance  
fills the house. It is the fragrance of her gratitude, faith and understanding  
of what is ahead of Jesus. Perhaps we could sit with Mary today for  
a while and allow her to show us how grief could change into tender  
anointing.

#### Today's Gospel: A Reflection

This reading gives us glimpses of hope. But it is easy to focus on Jesus'  
own resurrection and miss other important elements in this reading. Let's  
take Mary, for example. She is mentioned first, so it is possible she was  
the eldest in the family of the three siblings (Mary, Martha and Lazarus).  
Inexplicably at first, Jesus does not respond to the heartfelt plea of the  
sisters, and Lazarus dies. Four days on, there is still mourning, and Mary  
seems paralysed. She remains seated in the house even with the news  
of Jesus' proximity. This will echo with many of us who have lost a loved  
one. Grief triggers inner exhaustion, a near paralysis that turns us into the  
shadows of ourselves. Even rumours of eternal life seem to be too distant  
to spur us into action.

Mary needs her sister, the ever-fretting Martha, to come to her after  
encountering Christ and making the most eloquent profession of faith.  
Martha whisper into Mary's ears: 'The Teacher is here and is calling for  
you'. Jesus is called a teacher. Not a prophet, not a messiah, a teacher.  
So, what is it that Mary needs to learn? And what is it that I need to learn  
about grief and the place of Jesus vis-a-vis my pain?

Mary rises quickly and the consoling crowd notices it. Remarkably,  
the first word that describes Mary's rising (egeiro) has connotations of  
waking from sleep, the mini-death of the ancient world. It is the same