

Nenagh Parish News

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What is the Season of Creation?

The Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. Pope Francis made the Roman Catholic Church's warm welcoming of the season official in 2015. The Season of Creation begins on September 1, World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and ends on October 4, the feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations. Throughout the month-long celebration, we come together in an annual ecumenical celebration of prayer and action for our common home.

What does our Catholic faith tell us about Creation?

Caring for creation is living out our Catholic faith. The Church, following the teachings of Jesus, throughout time has exhorted believers to work for the common good, which calls for dignifying life in all its forms, caring for our common home, and committing to the construction of more just, supportive, fraternal and peaceful societies. These are someways to achieve what Pope Francis calls integral ecology in his teaching letter, the Encyclical Laudato Si' (2015). Often, when we speak of creation, it is related to nature, animals, landscapes, the sun, the moon, but we are also aware that the human being is the culmination of our Father's creative work, "God saw all he had made, and indeed it was very good." (Gen 1:31), the Sacred Scripture states. As Pope Francis wrote in Laudato Si', "Everyone's talents and involvement are needed to redress the damage caused by human abuse of God's creation'. All of us can cooperate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents." (LS 14).

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

If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother.

Season of Creation 2026

This year we will be guided by the vision of the prophet Ezekiel (47:1–12): a river flowing from the temple of God, which grows without stopping and brings life where everything seems barren.

Water heals, restores, and makes creation flourish. But it also challenges us: to recognize ecological damage, to embrace our interconnectedness, and to immerse ourselves in the responsibility of caring for and restoring our Common Home.

May this Season of Creation be a path for the healing of the Earth and human well-being to flourish together.

Come, Sing & Praise! – Choir Workshop with Ian Callanan

All church and religious choirs from across our parishes and surrounding areas are warmly invited to come together for a special afternoon of music, faith, fellowship and praise in St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Nenagh, on Saturday, 19th September at 3.00pm.

We are delighted to welcome renowned liturgical composer and musician Ian Callanan, who will lead us in an uplifting workshop exploring the joy of prayer and worship through song.

Whether you are part of a parish choir, folk group, youth choir, school religious choir, Gospel choir, contemporary worship group, or any other choir that sings in a faith setting, you are very welcome to join us. Come as a full choir, a small group, or as an individual choir member.

This will be a wonderful opportunity for singers from different churches, parishes and Christian communities to come together as one voice, share in our common faith and experience the power of praising God through song. During the workshop, we will also be learning a new Mass setting together, which we hope will enrich our celebration of the Eucharist and the music of our parishes.

The afternoon will begin at 3.00pm and will conclude with the celebration of Mass at 6.15pm, where we will have the opportunity to put our voices together in prayer and praise.

"Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth." – Psalm 96

- Saturday, 19th September | 3.00pm
- St. Mary of the Rosary Church, Nenagh
- Choir Workshop led by Ian Callanan
- Concluding with Mass at 6.15pm

This Week We Offer A Special Prayer ...for the Season of Creation

Living Water
Holy God, whose Spirit hovered over the waters at the beginning, we gather as part of your community of all creation, thirsty for your grace. We give thanks for the gift of water, the veins of our common home, that sustains the cedar and the whale, the pasture and the city. We are grateful for the local waters that nourish our homelands and our fellow creatures. We give thanks that in your well-watered garden, every drop is a sacred testament to your love. Yet, we confess that we have treated this gift as a mere commodity. We have choked the seas with our waste and watched the warming tides rise in judgment. We lament the cracked earth of the drought-stricken and the salty tears of the climate refugee. Melt our frozen hearts, O God, and let the waters of repentance flow.
Lord of all Life, you promised that wherever the river flows, everything shall live. Stir in us a calling to care for the waters – to protect the watershed, defend the rights of water, and honor the dignity of the thirsty. May your Word be a spring within us, gushing forth for the healing of the nations. May God our Father who brought water from the rock sustain us in the desert. May Christ our Lord who is Living Water refresh us for the work of restoration. And may the Holy Spirit carry us on currents of grace until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amen.

Feast Days for the Week Ahead

8th Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9th St Peter Claver
12th St Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary
13th St John Chrysostom

Men - Would You Like to Improve Your Swimming?

An 8-week improvement swimming programme for men starts in Nenagh Leisure Centre on 15 September. Includes: • weekly instructor-led session, self-guided session & sauna
Book on www.tipperarysports.ie or call 052 6166201 or 052 6166380

Centering Prayer Group

A silent, gentle way of resting in God's presence.
"Be still and know that I am God – Psalm 46:10
Are you seeking a deeper quiet in your spiritual life?
Join us for a weekly time of silent prayer and shared reflection.
No prior experience is necessary – all are welcome
When: Tuesdays 7pm (starting 8th September)

Where: Pastoral Centre, Nenagh **Contact:** Van Geraghty at 0862108121
Newcomers: please ring in advance and join us at 6.30pm

Accord Marriage Preparation Programmes

Are you getting married in 2027? Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service provides Marriage Preparation Programmes for couples choosing to get married in the Catholic Church. Places are filling quickly so book today for courses in Nenagh at www.accord.ie

The Irish Cancer Society Seeks Volunteer Drivers

The Irish Cancer Society is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our pool of drivers. As a volunteer driver you would be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy to the hospital and back home for their treatment. Gifting your time means that cancer patients will have comfortable (one on one) transport to attend appointments for their lifesaving treatment.

If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. The Irish Cancer Society will provide you with training before you start as a driver for us. Your generosity not only eases the journey for many during a challenging time but also offers comfort and support when it's needed most.

For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

The feedback we receive from patients that have relied on the Transport Service in the past is heart-warming and underlines the need of its existence. We would be extremely grateful for your support, as it will help us to continue supporting those who are impacted by cancer. Please do not hesitate to get in contact with us for further information.

Anniversaries | Sat 5 - Sun 13 September

Sat 5th 6.15pm
St Mary of the Rosary
Mary McDonnell (MM)
Laura Buckley Noonan (1st A)
Margaret Robson
Breda Morrissey
Margaret O'Brien
Eddie O'Donnell (MM)
Billy & Tony Ryan
John Looney & deceased members of Looney & Burke families
Denis & Mary Ryan
Michael Gleeson
Sun 6th 12noon
Michael & Esther Cullen
Paddy Joe, Paul & Pa Maher & deceased family members
Noreen Hogan (1st A) & husband John, son Damien & grandson David
Michael & Kathleen Healy & their son Michael
Weds 9th 11am
Bernard Chadwick (1st A)
Jimmy McGrath
Seanie & Jimmy Morrissey
Sharon Kennedy
Noreen Kelly
Christy Hogan (MM)
Denis Finn
Mandy Bourke
Olive & John Keogh
Patrick Ryan
Mary Josephine & John Kinehan & deceased family members
Fri 11th 11am
Sat 12th 6.15pm
Sun 13th 12noon

St John the Baptist

Sat 5th 7.30pm
Sun 6th 10.30am
Kevin O'Brien
Larry & Lil Keating

Our Faithful Departed

Elizabeth (Lily) Meacham (nee Toohey)
May She Rest In Peace. Amen.

PARISH OFFICE NOTICE BOARD

Weekly Collection €3,890 Thank you for continued support.
Office Opening Hours Mon-Fri | 9am-5pm (4pm Fridays)

Readers | 12-13 September 2026

6.15pm Doley Quigley
7.30pm Kevin Costello
8am Margaret Grace
10.30am Margaret Teehan
12noon Adrian McIntyre
6pm Martin O'Brien

Life Lessons

One Sunday, Fr O'Malley was preaching against the evils of alcohol when he added a visual demonstration to his fire and brimstone lecture. He filled a glass with whiskey into which he dropped a wiggling worm. The worm quickly stopped moving and died. The priest asked the congregation, "What did you learn from this demonstration?" "Father," said Paddy, "I learned that if you drink whiskey, you will not have worms."



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