

	BANTRY FAMILY OF PARISHES NEWSLETTER BANTRY PARISH, CAHERAGH PARISH, GOLEEN PARISH, MUINTIR BHAIRE PARISH, SCHULL PARISH Fr. Myles McSweeney: 086-1623031 (Bantry) Fr. Chris O'Donovan: 083 4374304 (Schull) Fr. Ben Hodnett: 089-4308735 (Bantry) Fr. Jilson Kokkandathil 089-2729066(Bantry) Fr. John C. O'Donovan: 028-52985 (Dromore) To contact Priest on duty (Bantry): 087-7999886 Parish office: Tel: 027-56398 email: bantryparishoffice@gmail.com Website: www.bantryfamilyofparishes.ie Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 13th September 2026 Vol. 37.	
Gougane Barra Sunday - 27th September 2026 Confessions: 1.30pm Rosary: 2.30pm Mass at 3pm celebrated by Bishop Fintan Gavin	FORMATION IN FAITH 9 week Catholic Formation and Theology Programme for young adults aged 18-35. Wednesdays from 5.45-8pm. Beginning 30th September 2026. Presentation Brothers Mardyke House, Cork, T12 W8RP. 2 pathways to choose from: •Sycamore: Video and group discussion based Catholic Formation •Foundation in Theology: Lecture based introduction to Catholic theology. Sign up by scanning the QR Code or email youthministry@corkandross.org	
Diocese of Cork & Ross Mass Animated by Young Adults Ss. Peter and Paul's Church, Cork City Second Sunday of Every Month at 7pm. Animated by young adults with music, reading, serving, welcome & hospitality – All are Welcome!	MARANATHA: Maranatha is now in its 3rd year and will take place on Thursday, 28 January 2027, in Cork City Hall. This high-energy faith event brings together post-primary school students from across the Diocese of Cork and Ross for a day of faith, friendship, & music. The day begins with engaging workshops & culminates with an uplifting concert in Cork City Hall. Parishioners are warmly invited to join us for the concert & share in this joyful celebration of faith & music.	
Diocese of Cork and Ross World Youth Day – South Korea Young Adults (18-30 years old). Information Evening on Wednesday 16th September at 7pm in Mardyke House, Cork See youthministry@corkandross.org	Thinking about being a Priest in the Dicoese of Cork & Ross? If you are between the ages of 18 and 40 and feel God may be calling you to be a diocesan priest then our monthly Discernment Group Meeting may be a good way for you to discern this call. It is a gentle first step in the process which takes the form of a monthly meeting and the availability of a spiritual director to help guide you. The first meeting takes place on Saturday, September 26. Please register your interest by emailing Fr. Marius at vocations@corkandross.org	
Recent Parish Baptisms: We welcome into our Christian Community Darcie Kit O'Driscoll – Corlis, Caheragh, Drimoleague Darcy Elizabeth Walsh – The Stags, Caheragh, Drimoleague	The Annual Memory Walk in aid of the Alzheimer's Society will take place from the Railway Pier (beyond SuperValu) on Sunday Sept 20th @ 11am. Two different length walks are available led by Munster Rugby star Josh Wycherely to honour & remember loved ones who have lived with Dementia. Registration either on w.w.w.alzheimer.ie/memory walk or on dav. We look forward to your support.	
Caheragh Communtiy Hub: Autumn/Winter gatherings commence on Weds. 16th September at the Travellers Rest Lounge at 2.30 p.m. New members welcome.	Culture Night 2026 at the Alice West Centre at the Blackgate, Kilcrohane Friday 18th September at 8:00 pm. A night to celebrate the Sheep's Head Peninsula's cultural diversity. Bring a song, a poem, a story or a dish from your part of the country or the world to share with others! Light refreshments will be served All welcome. Hosted by Muintir Bhaire Community Council. Further info call 086 1700 343	Padre Pio Mass and Prayer Meeting will be held at The Sacred Heart Church, Rath, Baltimore P81 AK06. Monday September 14th beginning at 7:00pm. Adoration and Rosary followed by Mass at 7:30pm. Blessings with First Class Relic of St Pio of Pietrelcina. Petition box with Mass offered for those intentions.
CULTURE NIGHT AT GOSH GORTALASSA OLD SCHOOL HOUSE P75C589 on Friday 18th September 2026. Collecting and Sharing Folklore. A talk by Michael Fortune. Doors open at 7pm and the talk will begin at 7.30pm. Donation at the door. Don't miss a one-off chance to meet Michael Fortune folklorist (folklore.ie) who has come all the way from Wexford to be with us for Culture Night. He will give a one hour talk on collecting and sharing folklore and local history in contemporary Ireland, celebrating distinct local identities and those shared traditions that unite and connect communities. There will be refreshments and time for social chat after the event. Seating is limited in this intimate space so don't miss out. For further information call: 086 326 7326	Our Lady of Sorrows: Feastday 15th September O most holy and sorrowful Virgin Mary, Mother of God and Mother of us all, look upon me with compassion in my time of need. You who stood faithfully beneath the Cross and shared so deeply in the sufferings of your Son, comfort me in my sorrows and strengthen me in my trials. Help me to unite my sufferings with those of Jesus, and teach me to trust in God's loving plan, even when I cannot understand it. Holy Mother, intercede for me and bring my prayers before your Son. Obtain for me the grace I need, and help me to remain faithful to Him through every sorrow and difficulty. Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for me and for all who are suffering. Amen.	
West Cork Music's autumn concert series features traditional musicians, Muireann Nic Amhlaoibh, Pauline Scanlon, Tom Morrow and John Doyle; Galway choir Resurgam and West Cork Choral Singers; Raja Quartet; Aiteall songwriter festival; and Vanbrugh & Friends between now and December. More details at www.westcorkmusic.ie	TROCAIRE: Cork culture Night Invitation to Premiere of 2026 Short documentary: Still Not Safe: Lize in GAZA during the 'Ceasefire'. Friday 18th September in cork City at 7.30pm in City Library, Grand Parade, Cork, T12NT99. Come and meet our Palestine Team in the foyer at 6pm. No booking required. All welcome. Enquiries at corkcentre:trocaire.org Tel: 021-4275622	
Offertory Collection 6th September: Bantry: €2040 Schull:€ 895 Muintir Bhaire:€805 Goleen: € 540 Caheragh: €525 Church Repair Fund Collection: Bantry: €2225 Schull:€784 Muintir Bhaire:€625 Goleen: €459 Caheragh: €500 A Special Collection for Priesthood Education will be taken up next weekend, 19th/20th September, throughout the Diocese	Sat 12th Sept: 23rd Week in Ordinary Time: Bantry: 6.15pm: Jerry Mullins (Dromacoppil) and his grandniece Ella Rose Rothwell – both 3rd anniversary. Jimmy O'Sullivan – Main Street, Bantry – 20th anniv. Dromore:8pm: Richie & Kitty Barrett – Colomane East Lowertown: 8pm: Denis & Marisa Wilcox and deceased members of the Wilcox Family. Sunday 13th Sept: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Bantry:9am: Nora Donegan - Kilcrohane Ballydehob:9am: John McSweeney – Knockroe, Ballydehob Durrus: 10am: Eileen Johnson – former Sacristan of the Sacred Heart Church, Durrus – 1st anniv. Schull:10.30am: No Booking Coomhola:10.30am: Timothy & Nellie Harrington & deceased members of the Harrington Family – Corran Patricia Minehane – Lisheens, Kealkil – 10th anniv. Elizabeth Farrell – Dromdubh – Months Mind John Cadogan – Derrydubh, Coomhola Caheragh:11.15am: Pete Crowley - Ballyourane Intentions of People of Bantry Family of Parishes Kilcrohane:11.30am: Richard Tobin – Ballyruin Michael Murphy – Months Mind Michael Daly – The Paddock Goleen:12noon: No Booking Bantry:12noon: P.D. Idicula – 21st anniv. Owen O'Sullivan & his wife Theresa – Glencreagh Theresa's parents, Denis & Hannah O'Mahony – Drimoleague Christy O'Sullivan – Glencreagh – 10th anniv. Mon 14th Sept: The Exaltation of the Cross: Bantry:10am: Denis McCarthy – Parade Field & San Diego, CA Schull: 10am: No booking Tuesday 15th Sept: 24th Week in Ordinary Time: Bantry: 10am: Michael O'Sullivan – Marian Terrace & Nottingham Wed. 16th Sept: 24th Week in Ordinary Time: Ballydehob:10am: Birthday Intention Bantry:10am: John Connolly (Snr) (Gurtacloona) & his mother Mary Connolly (née O'Neill) Thursday 17th Sept: 24th Week in Ordinary Time: Bantry:10am: Timothy O'Sullivan – Glencreagh – 40th anniv. Goleen: 10am: No Booking Friday 18th Sept: 24th Week in Ordinary Time: Bantry:10am: Curley Keohane & his daughter Ann O'Toole - Newtown Schull: 10am: No Booking Saturday 19th Sept: 24th Week in Ordinary Time: Bantry Hospital: 10am: Cathy Clifford – St Canneras Place Caheragh Threshing Committee: Meeting takes place on Wednesday 16th September, in the Travellers Rest at 9 pm. The Annual Threshing and Vintage Day takes place on Sunday the 11th of October. Thanks to everyone for their continued support and help. The Pope's Monthly Intention: For the Care of Water – Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.	