

## Newsletter 27th July 2025

### In an urgent appeal for peace and solidarity, Irish bishops have called on the faithful to pray

The plea comes amid the deepening humanitarian crises in Gaza, Ukraine, Sudan, and other conflict zones.

The bishops described Gaza's situation as "a humanitarian catastrophe" and voiced grave concern over the reports of starvation, blocked aid, and continued bombardments.

"Our parishioners are reporting their horror and helplessness on seeing images of death and communal destruction in Gaza," the bishops said.

"Exhausted mothers can no longer nourish their young, children are dying of malnutrition, while aid lorries full of supplies are being refused entry into the territory, or are not safely arriving at their destination."

Bishops called on the faithful to turn to prayer, asking for "an outpouring of the compassion of God on a heartless world."

"To see the relentless bombardment of civilian areas, the deliberate withholding of food from the starving, as well as the callous holding of hostages, it appears that humanity has lost its heart," bishops said.

"In the face of this destruction, we invite everyone to turn to the heart of Jesus by praying for the renewal of heart that our world so desperately needs."

### Parish Notes:

**Diocesan needs** collection will be taking up at all masses next weekend 2/3 Aug.

**First anniversary** of the death of Canon Frank O'Connor RIP occurs on Friday 1st August. His anniversary Mass will take place here in St John's Cathedral on **Tuesday 5th August at 5.45pm**. All are welcome to attend.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday's 4pm—5.30pm in the adoration chapel.

### Priests of the Parish

Canon Gerard Garrett  
Canon John Daly  
Fr Peter Claver Emeka Eze  
Fr Daniel Tomasiak

### Mass Times

Mon—Fri 10am, 5.45pm  
Sat 10am & 6pm Vigil  
Sun 8am, 10.30am, 12 noon

### Holy Days

Vigil Weekdays 5.45pm  
Weekdays 10am, 5.45pm

### Confessions

Saturday 10.30am

### Baptisms

Saturday 4.30pm

### Recently Baptised

Welcome to the Christian Community  
**Teddy Kirwan**  
**Neala Clarke**  
**Kayden McNamara**  
Congratulations and every blessing to their families.

### Recently Deceased

We offer our sympathies to the families and loved ones of  
**Helen Cunneen RIP**  
**Clodagh Ferguson RIP**  
**Thomas Fitzgibbon RIP**  
May their gentle souls rest in eternal peace.

### Split the Pot

Congratulations to **Zac McNamara** winner of last weekend's draw.  
Envelopes are available in the shop.



### Jubilee Year – Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co. Mayo

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025  
Bus/Train to Westport  
Thursday 04<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
Bus/Train Home

Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025

\*Check in to Castlecourt Hotel for check-in.  
\*4 Course Dinner. Hotel entertainment.

Monday 01<sup>st</sup> September 2025

\*A Day in Knock.  
\*Avail of Mass, Confessions, Private time.  
\*Tour of Grounds and Museum.  
\*Return to Hotel for Dinner & Entertainment.

Tuesday 02<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

\*A rest day in Westport.  
\*Avail of Mass in St. Mary's Church.  
\*Amble along the mall and explore the shops.  
\*Relax in the hotel, treat yourself to a spa day.  
\*Explore Westport House.  
\*Return to Hotel for Dinner & Entertainment.

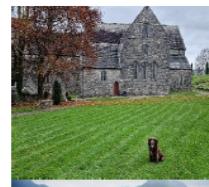
Wednesday 03<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

\*Visit Croagh Patrick & Famine Memorial.  
\*Sheepherding demonstration.  
Mass in Kylemore Abbey and self-guided tour.  
Return to Hotel for Dinner & Entertainment.

Thursday 04<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Morning Mass. Return flight to Lon Heathrow.

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