

Reflection: The Feast of the Ascension is a feast of great hope and consolation.

In Holy Week we commemorated and celebrated the passion and death of Jesus. On Easter Sunday we rejoiced in the resurrection of Jesus from the dead. In rising from the dead in his human nature, which we share with him, he guaranteed our resurrection. We believe that like him we shall rise. We believe that he is the first born from the dead. We believe that because of him we have the hope of a blessed future in eternity. We believe that because of him, because of his fidelity to his Father and his love of us expressed in his sacrifice on the cross, we are redeemed and the hope and possibility of salvation is real.

In our liturgies in the period since Easter Sunday, we recalled the encounters the disciples had with Jesus after his resurrection. Today we celebrate the Ascension of Jesus. The scriptures and our faith teach us and we express it in the creed, that Jesus ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

In the same way that Jesus rose from the dead in his human body, he also ascended into heaven in the same risen, glorified, human body. We believe that we shall follow Jesus in his resurrection and in his ascension. The divine logic is inescapable.

In the incarnation, heaven touched earth. In the ascension, earth touched heaven. The Feast of the Ascension provides reassurance on two fronts: Yes, God really was here with us in human, corporeal form and yes, human beings really can be with God in heaven. The Ascension certainly reassured the apostles. Afterwards they went out to the whole world and they 'preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word by the signs that accompanied it' They were confident that the Lord was still with them despite his physical departure. Jesus promised the apostles, and us, that he would be with us always. We are confident that he is still with us and we are also confident that after our life on earth we can be with him.

Killaloe Music Festival 2026 The SCS Killaloe Music Festival 2026 will take place across venues in Killaloe and Ballina from **Wednesday 27 May to Monday 1 June**. Enjoy an exciting programme of music and culture, including stunning evening and late night concerts in St. Flannan's Cathedral, featuring acclaimed national and international artists. Ticket info and the full programme of headline concerts, events, school performances, community choral concert and daytime activities are available at killaloemusicfestival.com/programme-2026.

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Priests of the Parish
 Canon Gerard Garrett
 Fr Daniel Tomasik
 Fr Peter Claver Emeka Eze
 Fr Krzysztof Tyburowski
 In residence Canon John Daly

Eucharistic Adoration
 Friday's 4pm-5.30pm in the Adoration Chapel.

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

Confessions
 Saturday 10.30am

Baptisms
 Saturday 4.30pm

Recently Deceased
 We remember in our prayers
Edward Williams RIP
Jeremiah Mullins RIP
 May they rest in eternal peace.

Recently Baptised
 Welcome to the Christian Community
Alannah Cronin
 We wish Alannah and her family every blessing.

Cathedral Shop
 Mon - Sat, 10:30am - 1pm.
 Sympathy cards, First Holy Communion cards, gift sets available to buy.

Split the Pot Draw
 Congratulations to
Jim Johnson
 winner of last weekends draw.



Tuesday, May 19th from 10am-12pm.



Young people with Limerick Youth Service will host a coffee morning in aid of Break-through Cancer Research at the LYS Community Training Centre, Lr. Glentworth St, Limerick V94 YF95. **Please come and support such a worthy cause.**

Preparing for Marriage? Weekend residential courses available. 13-15 November 2026 and 26-28 February 2027. **Details:** www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org **and Married Couples course? Weekend residential courses available.** 14-15 November 2026 and 27-28 February 2027. **Details:** www.grasta.org or at info@grasta.org

Our Lady of Limerick

TRIDUUM & FESTIVITIES

22nd - 24th May

ST. SAVIOUR'S DOMINICAN CHURCH
 LIMERICK

- Daily 1pm Mass & Adoration
- Confessions available
- Friday - Anointing of the sick
- Saturday - Eucharistic procession
- Sunday - Family festival & bake sale after 1pm Mass

Celebrant: Fr. Blazej Bialek, O.P.



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Vocations Holy Hour, Wednesday 20th May, 7pm to 8pm

St. John's Cathedral,



Please join us for this month's Vocations Holy Hour. This will be our final Vocations Holy Hour of the year and we look forward to having music ministry by Brother Raphael, CFR and a short testimony by Father Tim Collins about his first year as a priest. *We are also excited that at this final holy hour of the year will feature the Vocations Monstrance recently blessed by Pope Leo XIV for Ireland.* **Please join us to pray** for vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and sacramental marriage!