

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish of Ardfert

14 June 2026

ST BRENDAN'S CHURCH, ARDFERT & SACRED HEART CHURCH, KILMOYLEY

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Masses for week commencing Sunday 14 June – St Brendan's Church, Ardfert

Sun	11.00 am	Patrick Donovan, Tubrid Beg, Ardfert (8 th anniv)
Mon	10.00 am	Special Intention
Tues	10.00 am	
Tues	11.00 am – 12 noon	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
Weds	10.00 am	
Thurs	9.30 am	Mass for All the People of the Parish
Thurs	11.00 am	Ardfert N S Graduation Mass
Fri	7.00 pm	Margaret (Ettie) Egan, Church Street, Ardfert
Sat	10.00 am	John Gleasure, Liscahane, Ardfert (1 st anniv)
Sun	11.00 am	Breeda Stack, Caherslee, Tralee (Month's Mind); Lily Mai & William Dillon, Ardconnell, Ardfert

Masses for week commencing Sunday 14 June – Sacred Heart Church, Kilmoyley

Sat	7.00 pm	John Murphy, Ballymacquinn Lower, Ardfert (11 th anniv)
Fri	10.00 am	
Sat	7.00 pm	Sarann Lovett, Kilmoyley & Australia (7 th anniv); Patrick Hussey, Ballymacandrew (9 th anniv); John Paul O'Mahony, Ballinorig, Causeway and late of San Francisco (2 nd anniv)

- ❖ We welcome into the Christian community baby Aaron Prenderville and baby Kayley Nolan.
- ❖ Last Sunday's offertory collection: €1185; Capital Envelope Collection: €685. Diocesan Collection for Peter's Pence: €280. Go Raibh Maith Agaibh.
- ❖ **Ardfert Parish Office** is open on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9.30 am – 1 pm. Tel: 7134131/ email: ardfert@dioceseofkerry.ie.
- ❖ **Padre Pio Evening of Devotions** – Weds 24 June at 7 pm, Ardfert church.
- ❖ **National Grandparents Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine – Sunday 26 July 2026.** Celebrating World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. All are welcome. See posters in churches or visit: www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org.
- ❖ **SPIRITANS (HOLY GHOST FATHERS) – MISSION APPEAL 20/21 June.** Fr Pat Palmer will speak at Masses next weekend. Thank you for your support.
- ❖ **MIDSUMMER KERRY HEAD TURAS - Monday 22 June.** Meet at St Mary's Well, Ballyheigue at 3 pm. All welcome. Call: Fr. Tomás Ó Luanaigh - 087 2213799.

- ❖ **I B T S – Blood Donors required.** Ballybunion Community Centre - Thurs 18 June from 4:50 pm – 8:10 pm. New donors welcome. Call: 1800 222 111. .
- ❖ **Pilgrimage to Italy – 25 August-1 September ex Shannon.** (San Giovanni Rotondo, Monte Sant'Angelo, Salerno, Sorrento, Pompeii. Spiritual Director – Fr Eugene Kiely. Info: Ann Fehan: 087 2738103 or www.marian.ie.
- ❖ **VOCALIZE CHOIR SUMMER CONCERT – Thurs 18 June 8 pm in St Brendan's Church, Ardfert** with special guest Seamus Harty. Donations on the night for Epilepsy Ireland/Kerry Mental Health. All welcome. See posters in churches.

Saint Anthony of Padua – Feast Day: 13th June. Saint Anthony was born into a wealthy noble family in Lisbon, Portugal, on 15th August 1195. He was christened Fernando Martins de Bulhom. He received a good education in his native city before joining the Regular Canons of Saint Augustine there at the age of 15. Soon afterwards, he was transferred to their monastery in Coimbra which was then the capital of Portugal, where he devoted himself to prayer and to the study of theology and Latin. He also developed there a great knowledge of the Bible.

When the relics of Franciscans who had been martyred were brought to Coimbra in 1220 this had a profound effect on Fernando who requested permission to become a Franciscan. Granted that permission he took the name Anthony as he joined in 1221 that new order which had been founded by Saint Francis of Assisi in 1209. Anthony wished to go as a friar to Morocco in North Africa to preach Christianity and to die there as a martyr. However illness forced him to return home immediately after his arrival in Morocco. On his way home a storm forced his ship off course and he ended up in Sicily and he was to spend the last 9 or 10 years of his life in Italy. He travelled all over that country preaching the Gospel. He was a great teacher and a very eloquent preacher and many miracles were attributed to him during his lifetime. He settled in Padua in the north-east of Italy in 1226 and that's where he passed away on 13th June 1231 at the relatively young age of 35. Less than a year later he was canonised on 30th May 1232 by Pope Gregory IX. He was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1946. Apparently lilies were placed on his tomb in Padua shortly after his death. Mysteriously these did not wither for a considerable period of time and so the tradition arose of the Franciscans blessing lilies in his honour on his Feast Day. Many graces have been received by people through these blessed lilies and cures have been reported through them. People also invoke St Anthony's intercession to help them to find things that are lost.

Fr Pat will bless lilies at all Masses this weekend and on Monday morning when we will actually celebrate the Mass of Saint Anthony of Padua.

Ardfert and Kilmoyley Graveyard Masses 2026

Thursday 2 July at 7.30 pm – Mass in Reilig Naomh Erc (Kilmoyley New Cemetery).
Thursday 9 July at 6.45 pm – Rosary in Ardfert church grounds followed by Mass in the Cathedral Graveyard at 7.30 pm. Please tidy up family graves.