

June 2026 Calendar and Feasts

Date	Feast/Liturgical Occasion	Gospel for Sunday
1 Monday	St. Justin	Mark 12:1-12
2 Tuesday	Saints Marcellinus and Peter	Mark 12:13-17
3 Wednesday	St Kevin	Mark 12:18-27
4 Thursday	Ss Charles Lwanga & Companions	Mark 12:28-34
5 Friday	St Boniface	Mark 12:35-37
6 Saturday	St Norbert, St. Jarlath	Mark 12:38-44
7 Sunday	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	John: 6:51-58
9 Tuesday	St. Columba (Colum Cille)	Matthew 8: 18-27
11 Thursday	St. Barnabas	Matthew 10: 7-13
12 Friday	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	Matthew 11:25-30
13 Saturday	St Anthony of Padua, priest and doctor of the Church	Luke 2:41-51
14 Sunday	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	Matthew 9:36-10.8
19 Friday	St. Romuald	Matthew 6:19-23
20 Saturday	The Irish Martyrs	Matthew 6:24-34
21 Sunday	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Matthew 10:26-33
22 Monday	St. Paulinus of Nola, bishop St. John Fisher St. Thomas More	Matthew 7:1-5
24 Wednesday	The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist	Luke 1:57-66
27 Saturday	St Cyril	Matthew 8:5-17
28 Sunday	Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Matthew 10:37-42

June 3: St Kevin



St Kevin, man of prayer

Help us to imitate you by making stillness and silence a priority in our lives

St Kevin, man of service

Help us to imitate you by never holding back on helping others

St Kevin, upholding creation

Help us to imitate you by showing reverence to even the smallest of creatures

St Kevin, man of inspiration

Help us to imitate you by listening to the promptings of the Spirit deep inside us

St Kevin, patron of Dublin

Help every person in our Archdiocese to hear a call to service and to stretch out their arms in kindness and compassion

Kevin (or Chaoimhin – the fair-begotten) was born in 498 into a noble family living in what is now West Wicklow. He studied for the priesthood in Cill na Manach (Kilnamanagh) and after being ordained set out to find his calling.

Kevin came to Glendalough to follow his dream which was to find God in solitude and prayer. He chose to live by the shore of the upper lake, taking for his hermitage an artificial cave on the south side of the lake about 30 feet above the water which was originally a Bronze Age tomb. This was St. Kevin's Bed which can be seen today from the north shore of the lake.

Kevin lived the life of a hermit in his cave for seven years. The legends and stories handed down to us highlight his significant personal qualities. Primary among these was his love of nature and deep respect for all created things. It seems he had an extraordinary closeness to nature and found his companions in the animals and birds around him. Legend also tells us he lived a very simple life, wearing only animal skins, sleeping on stones and eating very sparingly.

Kevin soon became known as a holy man and others came to Glendalough to seek his advice, to be healed and to follow his way of life. Gradually, small monastic communities were established, including a walled settlement near the lakeshore now called Reelfert Church.

Kevin's fame as a teacher and as a saintly person spread far and wide. Over time, the monastic settlement at Glendalough grew to become one of the great spiritual centres of Christianity in Ireland, flourishing for a thousand years after St. Kevin's death.

Kevin's story is often referred to as a journey from solitude to community.

The Feast Day of St. Kevin, who brought Christianity to Glendalough, is celebrated on 3rd June. He is one of the Patron Saints of the Archdiocese of Dublin.

June 9: St Columba



Saint Columba (7 December 521 – 9 June 597), also known as Colum Cille, was born in Gartan, Co. Donegal, and he was of royal lineage. He was an Irish abbot and missionary credited with spreading Christianity in present-day Scotland. He founded the important abbey on Iona, which became a dominant religious and political institution in the region for centuries. He is the Patron Saint of Derry. St. Columba is known for his great love of people and for all living creatures. He died 9 June 597.

12 June: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

Devotion to Jesus' Sacred Heart is a celebration of the reign of Christ's infinite love. Sharing the love of Christ this month might include doing acts of kindness for friends or family members, spending extra time in prayer, or helping someone in need.

Let us pray:

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

13 June: The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is a devotional name used to refer to the interior life of the Blessed Virgin Mary, her joys and sorrows, her virtues and hidden perfections, and above all, her virginal love for God the Father, her maternal love for her son Jesus, and her compassionate love for all persons.

Prayer to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

*Immaculate Heart of Mary,
Mother of Jesus and our gentle Mother,
I come to you with trust and love.*

*Your heart is full of compassion,
your love never fails,
and your presence brings peace.*

*Hold me close in your care.
Guide me to your Son, Jesus,
and teach me to follow Him
with courage, humility, and joy.*

*Help me to love as you love—
with patience, kindness, and mercy.
When I am weak, be my strength.
When I fall, lift me up again.*

*I give you my heart,
my hopes, my fears, and my dreams.
Shape them in your hands,
and bring them to your Son.*

*Immaculate Heart of Mary,
pray for me now and always.
Amen.*

13 June: St. Anthony of Padua



St. Anthony of Padua is one of the Catholic Church's most popular saints. Saint Anthony of Padua, patron saint of lost and stolen articles, was a powerful Franciscan preacher and teacher. He's typically portrayed holding the child Jesus—or a lily—or a book—or all three—in his arms. Many people give alms to St. Anthony Bread in thanksgiving to God for blessings received through the prayers of St. Anthony.

St. Anthony of Padua's life is what every Christian's life is meant to be; a steady courage to face the ups and downs of life, the call to love and forgive, to be concerned for the needs of others, to deal with crisis great and small, and to have our feet solidly on the ground of total trusting love and dependence on God.

St Anthony is beloved throughout the world. He was a simple and humble friar who preached the Good News lovingly and with fearless courage.

29: June Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

Saints Peter and Paul were prominent figures in early Christianity, and their feast day is celebrated on June 29th.

Peter, originally named Simon, was a fisherman from Bethsaida along the Sea of Galilee. He was one of Jesus' original twelve apostles and considered the "rock" upon which the Church was built, as well as the first Pope. He is the patron saint of fishermen.

Paul, originally named Saul, was a Roman citizen and a well-educated Pharisee from Tarsus. Originally, he was a persecutor of Christians who had a dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus, becoming a major missionary and writing many of the letters in the New Testament. He is the patron saint of missionaries and writers.

Both Peter and Paul died as martyrs in Rome during the reign of Emperor Nero.

Prayer for the End of the School Year

*At the end of this school year, we give thanks to you, O God:
For all the teaching and learning that has taken place in our school,
For the talents and gifts that have been shared and
The challenges that have been faced;
For the burdens that have been lifted and the hurts that have been healed;
For the respect and care that has been given.
We give thanks for the friendships that have just begun
And for those that have grown.
For the faith that has been lived in our daily struggles,
For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days
And for the love that has kept us going.
We give thanks for the community that we are and as we come to the end of this school year,
We ask you Lord to bless our pupils and all the members of our school community.
May your Spirit lead us and guide us
And may we know that you are always with us.
Bless our families as we take our holidays and may we all remain safe.
Pour out your love on us that we may return renewed and refreshed
To continue our journey together.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen*