

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH MILTOWN MALBAY ST. MARY'S CHURCH MOY

CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA

CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH, SPANISH POINT

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 13th July, 2025

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In Miltown Malbay Church

Readers for Next Sunday: 6 p.m. Martina Rynne

12.15 p.m. Anne Downes

Next Sunday is The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown: (www.miltownmalbayparish.ie webcam)

Monday: 10 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion

MASS: **10 a.m.** Tuesday in Mullagh

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MASS: **6 p.m. Saturday – Grouped Anniversary**
Masses

Nuala Ferguson, Kildimo

Nellie Sharkey, Mullagh Road

Brian Mitchell, Main Street

Tony & Bridie Dooley, Ballard Road

Maureen Jamieson, Spanish Point

Deceased Members of the O'Neill Family,
Ennis Road

Joseph Queally, Glendine

Martin & Bridget McMahon, Glendine

Taghd & Cathy Sexton, Church Road

12.15 Sunday – Liturgy of the Word with
Holy Communion

MOY:

MASS: **9.15 a.m. Sunday**

REMEMBRANCE: Our Prayers are asked for the
Repose of the Soul of Tom Barry, Connolly and Inagh
who died during the week. Rest in Peace Tom

WELCOME: We warmly welcome Peadar
Ó Riada and Cór Cúil Aodha to our 12.15 Mass
this week-end.

“Dipping into Hope” by Alan Hillard is available
from Messenger Publications, Miltown Park,
Dublin D06W9Y7 Tel: 35316767491 (01 6767491)
Email to: sales@messenger.ie

REFLECTION:

Blessed are those who care:
They will let people know they are loved.
Blessed are those who are gentle:
they will help people to grow
as the sun helps the buds to unfold.
Blessed are those who listen:
they will lighten many a burden.
Blessed are those who,
when nothing can be done or said,
do not walk away, but remain,
to provide a comforting and supportive presence:
They will help the sufferer to bear the unbearable.
And blessed are those who recognise their own
need to receive:
they will be able to give all the better.

STATEMENT FROM BISHOP FINTAN

Making the diocesan appointments is getting
increasingly difficult every year. This year, despite the
small number of appointments it was exceptionally
difficult due to a number of extra vacancies.

We now have 31 parishes out of 58 with no resident
priest under 75 years of age.

Currently in 2025 we have 52 incardinated priests in
active ministry under the age of 75.

In 2030 we will have 41.

In 2035 we will have 27.

In 2040 we will have 22.

These stark statistics speak for themselves.

It is not possible to continue to sustain the level of
pastoral care we currently provide in the 58 parishes
and 15 pastoral areas. It is clear that in the coming year
and beyond we need to address this in order to be able
to provide a structure to continue to offer pastoral care
and for the well-being of clergy, volunteer ministers and
all involved in faith related activities.

ATLANTIC WAVE HOLISTIC & INTEGRATED COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY

As a Parish Community we are hoping to offer Counselling to people around:

- (1) Anxiety Stress, Depression Support
- (2) Personal Relationship Challenges
- (3) Grief and Loss Therapy
- (4) Mindfulness Practices
- (5) Life Transition Counselling
- (6) Cultivating Compassion and Self Care

The Counselling Service is Free and open to all.

Please contact Anne at 087 2180037 or email

Atlanticwavepsychotherapy@gmail.com

More information also available from

Fr. Donagh 087 2322140

MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES 2025:

Direct flights from Monstar

3rd September to 10th September 2025

€825 – 7 night group pilgrimage with James Considine

- Fr. Martin Shanahan as Spiritual Director. For more

information please contact James Considine on 065

9059328 or 085 7385385.

DAY PILGRIMAGE to "God's Cottage and Prayer Centre" Glendalough from Ennis on Sunday the 24th of August, 2025. Day includes bus departing beside Ennis Cathedral at 7.30am, Prayer, Praying the Psalms, Mass, Guided Walk and talk by Fr. Thady Doyle. Cost of Bus return €45. Booking, payment and further information-Frank (087) 9652864.

PIONEER PILGRIMAGE: The annual Pioneer pilgrimage to Knock Shrine will take place on Sunday 20 July. Prayers will be offered at Our Lady's Shrine for all who work in alcohol and drug treatment centres around Ireland. Contact Fr Robert McCabe via prayer@pioneers.ie for further details.

ART EXHIBITION:

Miltown Malbay Community Centre opening night Saturday 26th July at 7 p.m. A celebration of local creativity. Light refreshments served. All welcome. Aisling Art Group.

PAINTING & DRAWING COURSE

Commencing Friday 5th September, 12.30pm to 2.30pm. running for 8 weeks at College of Further Education and Training, Ballard Road, Miltown Malbay. For more information or to express interest, contact Antoinette at 065 68 97654 or 086 075 2014.

HISTORY CLASS: Now Enrolling: Free Adult:

History Class commencing 11th September 2025 in Doonbeg Community Hall. To book a place or for more information contact 065 6897654/086 0752014 or email antoinette.houlihan@lcetb.ie

MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 999 OR 112

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749

BASKET COLLECTION 6/7/2025 - €1,800

SCOIL SAMHRAIDH 2025:

We have had an extraordinary week of music and community. Well done to the Scoil Samhraidh Committee Harry Hughes, Eamonn McGivney, Séamus Ó Rocháin and Deirdre Comber for the wonderful work they put in to create such an extraordinary few days. Well done to all the volunteers who worked so hard in the venues through the town. Míle Buiochas!

TOWN & COUNTRY FAIR:

The Town and Country Fair Miltown Malbay returns on 03/08/25, Bank Holiday Sunday. There will be a Dog Show, Pony Classes, Sheep Classes, Tug o War, Bouncy Castle, Kids Tractor Run and lots of novelty events. The Fair takes place in Clonbony Field from 12 noon. All are welcome!

ANNUAL TRACTOR RUN in Memory of the Late Mattie McNerney R.I.P. and Michael Flynn R.I.P., on Sunday 20th July, meeting at Mikey's grave at 1.20pm, leaving Mullagh Sportsfield at 1.30pm to Ennistymon Graveyard followed by an evening of entertainment at Michael A's Bar, Miltown Malbay, €20 per tractor, proceeds to West Clare Cancer. Please support this worthy cause. For more info contact Mary T. at 086 1012857.

CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

ATU St. Angelas is inviting applications for the following programme beginning Autumn 2025
Part-Time Certificate in Religious Education for Primary Schools with Online Delivery. The programme is open to: Qualified primary school teachers; Qualified post-primary school teachers who wish to transfer to primary school teaching. Parents, sacramental preparation teams and parish catechists who have a specific interest in the area of primary religious education may also apply. Closing date for Applications is Friday 15th August 2025. For further information contact Mary Kearns, Senior Administrator, School of Education ATU St. Angelas, Lough Gill, Sligo. Email: mary.earns@atu.ie or visit website: www.atu.ie

IRISH GUIDE DOGS: The Clare Branch of Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind would like to thank all the visitors and, of course our lovely "locals" who so kindly donated to the charity last weekend. The total collected was €555. Your generosity is much appreciated.

FREE SUMMER STARS CHILDREN'S WORKSHOPS:

Kilrush Library is hosting 2 events with Celina Buckley on Wednesday 16th July. The first event from 10.30am – 11.30am is a creative storytelling activity, which is suitable for 6–9 year olds. The second event at 12pm – 1pm is an observational drawing workshop for children aged 9 – 11 years. Booking is necessary, contact Kilrush Library on 065 9051504.

REEK SUNDAY 2025 will take place on July 27.

This annual pilgrimage, also known as Garland Sunday, involves thousands of people climbing Croagh Patrick. The theme for this year's event is 'Christian Hope' and it continues a 1,600 year old tradition of prayer and celebration at the summit.