# ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH MILTOWN MALBAY ST. MARY'S CHURCH MOY CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA

# CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH SPANISH POINT

Second Sunday of Christmas Year C 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2022

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**In Miltown Malbay Church** 

**Readers for Next Sunday:** 6 p.m. Willie Healy

12.15 p.m. John G. Devitt

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Year C

Friday is the First Friday

## **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, Wednesday & Friday

MASS: 6.30 p.m. Thursday – Feast of the Epiphany

**MASS**: 6 p.m. Saturday for Tom Hinchy, Ennis Rd.

(1st Anniversary)

MASS: 12.15 p.m. Sunday – Grouped Anniversary

Masses

Maureen Shannon, née Keavey, Clonbony

Austin Burke, Knockliscrane Martin Crawford, Clohanmore

**MOY**:

MASS: 9.15 a.m. Sunday for John & Kitty Finucane

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**REMEMBRANCE**: Our prayers are asked for the Repose of the Souls of Mary Skerritt, Church Street and Bridie Brader, née Marrinan, Washington and late of Kildimo in her ninety second year, Sister of Monica Twomey, Carhuduff.

Rest in Peace Mary and Bridie

## **FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY** (Nollaig na mBan)

Thursday is the Feast of the Epiphany Mass at 6.30 p.m. in Miltown Mass at 8 p.m. in Mullagh (Please note no 10 a.m. Mass on Thursday morning)

## **ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:**

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

## REFLECTION: SEEKERS OF HOPE

It's the whole world that comes with the wise men to the crib, Drawing close to the infant God, that they might find in him meaning in life and light for living.

We draw close, Lord, with all those who have lost hope, All those for whom faith is nothing more than a long night to be got through, All those who have lost the taste for seeking and struggling....

We draw close, Lord,

With all those who are handicapped in body or mind, With those who are paralysed in their suffering,

With those left to their loneliness, Whom nobody ever comes to console....

We draw close, Lord,

With all those who've had their place taken, With those living in poverty and hunger,

With those whose dignity has been trodden on,

With those who have forgotten the colours of peace....

We draw close with confidence To you, child of the crib. Look: we come seeking hope!

## **PRIESTS' CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**:

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the Priests Christmas collection on Christmas Day.

#### PRAYER TO ST. ROCH:

St. Roch by the ministry of an Angel, God gave you a promise engraved on a Tablet, that whoever would invoke your name, would be preserved from all contagious diseases and illnesses. St. Roch pray for us that we may be preserved from all contagious diseases and illnesses – especially the Corona Virus

## CHILDREN WITH AUTISM ATTENDING

MASS: A Sensory Kit is available in each church for children attending Mass with autism. Please come to the sacristy before Mass to receive the kit. We thank Susan Crawford for making the kit available.

#### **NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE:**

As we begin our New Year, we wish all our Parishioners many Blessings for the Year ahead. Hopefully the impact of the virus will lessen and things will improve as we begin the year. I love Brendan Kennelly's Poem "Begin"

Begin again to the summoning birds, to the sight of light at the window, begin to the roar of morning traffic all along Pembroke Road. Every beginning is a promise born in light and dying in dark determination and exaltation of Springtime flowering the way to work. Begin to the pageant of queueing girls the arrogant loneliness of swans in the canal, bridges linking the past and future, old friends passing though with us still. Begin to the loneliness that cannot end since it perhaps is what makes us begin, begin to wonder at unknown faces, at crying birds in the sudden rain at branches stark in the willing sunlight at seagulls foraging for bread at couples sharing a sunny secret alone together while making good. Though we live in a world that dreams of ending that always seems about to give in something that will not acknowledge conclusion insists that we forever begin.

**BAPTISM**: We welcome into our Faith Family Gearóid Martin O'Loughlin who was baptised in St. Joseph's Church, Miltown Malbay recently.

## SR. ETHEL NORMOYLES MISSION

in South Africa is suffering badly because of Covid 19, poverty and hunger are making things more difficult. If you would like to help, you may make a donation to AIB, Bank Place, Ennis Bank Account No: 15431041 or visit <a href="https://www.missionvaleireland.org">www.missionvaleireland.org</a>

10k & 5K Run/Walk Scoil Iosef Naofa, Moy are holding a 10K & 5K fundraising run/walk on Sunday 2nd January 2022. The 10k will start at 11.30am and the 5K will start at 12noon. Entries taken at the school from 10am. Entry Fee: Individual €10, Family €20 Enquiries:0876575575 or email:scoiliosef@gmail.com

## CLARE SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Are you finding it difficult to cope with a death by suicide of a family member, relative or friend? It may help to talk to a Clare Suicide bereavement Support Volunteer. We offer confidential and free support to people who have experienced a death by suicide. Please phone or text 086 0565373 or 087 3698315

## ST. ANNE'S ST. VINCENT de PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

St Vincent De Paul St. Anne's that covers both Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish & Miltown Malbay Parish only, envelopes are available in the porch of each Church in the 2 Parishes, you can leave in the basket at Churches, mark any envelope 'SVP' or you could donate online to:

Conference Name:St. Anne's Miltown Malbay Appeal Conference Fundraiser Address:Svp.ie/miltownmalbay Bank details:IBAN: IE90 BOFI 904333 92861464 or log onto: <a href="https://www.svp.ie/miltownmalbay">https://www.svp.ie/miltownmalbay</a>

**LEGION OF MARY**: The Legion of Mary is on at 7pm every Tuesday and will be available to view on the webcam from St. Mary's Church, Mullagh. We would sincerely love for people to tune into these prayers by tuning into <a href="https://www.kibparish.ie/webcam">www.kibparish.ie/webcam</a> it can be watched back by looking under the Recordings tab.

## **COUCH TO 5km WALKING & RUNNING**

**PROGRAMME** will begin on Tuesday 11th of January at 7.30pm in Mullagh Track. This programme will run for 8 weeks, every Tuesday evening. It is free to take part and all are welcome. Open to all who want to start running in a progressive manner, walkers are most welcome to join us. Bring a friend

#### **COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER**

**PEOPLE** ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). If you or someone you know needs support this Christmas, please call our National Support and Referral Line on 0818 222 024 from 8am – 8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year so we will be there to take your call when you need us most.

# **CLARE LIBRARY** upcoming online events for adults 18+ throughout Co. Clare

<u>Chair Yoga</u> classes with Trish Cleary will be taking place through zoom on the following dates: Thursdays 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> January 11am – 12 noon.

<u>Tai Chi</u> classes with Kevin Copeland will be taking place through zoom on Tuesdays 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> January 10.30am – 11.30am.

Classes are Free. Participants will need access to zoom. To book your place, contact Kilrush Library on 065 9051504 or email <a href="mailto:kilrush@clarelibrary.ie">kilrush@clarelibrary.ie</a> Classes are funded by Healthy Ireland at Your Library.

MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065 7050199
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749
BASKET COLLECTION - 26/12/2021 - €3,300
PRIESTS COLLECTION - €7,100
PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Monday &
Thursday this week

A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE