

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

**CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA**

**CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH, SPANISH POINT**

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2023**

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**In Miltown Malbay Church**

**Readers for Next Sunday:**

6 p.m. Willie Healy

12.15 p.m. Flann O'Keeffe

**Next Sunday is the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A**

**LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Miltown:** ( [www.miltownmalbayparish.ie](http://www.miltownmalbayparish.ie) webcam)

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

**MASS:** **10 a.m.** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

**MASS:** **6 p.m. Saturday** for P.J. Killeen, Kilfarboy (Months Mind)

**MASS:** **12.15 Sunday** for Michael (Miko) Meade, Knockliscrane (Months Mind)

**MOY:**

**MASS:** **9.15 a.m. Sunday – Grouped Masses**

Paddy O'Connell, Moy

Michael & Peggie Smyth, Faha & Ballard Road

**SYMPATHY:**

Sympathy to the Hanrahan Family on the death of Paddy, Poulawillin who died during the week.

To the Coughlan Family on the Death of Noreen

To the Burke Family, Clounlaheen on the Death of Mary and to the Kelly Family on the Death of Monica.

Rest in Peace Paddy, Noreen, Mary and Monica

**A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE:**

God of peace and justice,

We pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen

**BAPTISH:** We welcome into our Faith Community

Alice Katie Darcy, Ballyvaskin who was baptised in St. Joseph's Church last week-end.

**FIRST FRIDAY:** Friday is First Friday, Mass at 10 a.m.

**ST. BRIGID'S DAY:**(Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February). St. Brigid's Crosses will be distributed to the housebound later in the week.

**Beatitudes for the Angel**

Blessed are they who understand

My faltering step and shaking hand

Blessed, who know my ears today

Must strain to hear the things they say.

Blessed are those who seem to know

That my eyes are dim and my wits are slow

Blessed are they who, with cheery smile

Who stop to chat for a little while.

Blessed are those who never say

"You've told that story twice today"

Blessed are they who know the ways

To bring back memories of yesterdays.

Blessed are they who make it known

That I am loved, respected and not alone.

Blessed are they who know I am at a loss

To find the strength to carry the cross.

And blessed are they who ease the days

On my journey home, in loving ways.

**CANDLEMAS DAY:** Thursday is the Feast of the

Presentation of the Lord. Candles will be blessed on the

day for Church and Home use. A donation of €5 for a pack

of six candles or €1 for each single candle is suggested to

cover the material cost of the candles.

**RETREAT BASED ON THE SCRIPTURES** with

Fr. Patsy Kelly MSC: Thursday 16th of February (arrival at

4pm) to Sunday 19th of February (lunchtime) in the FCJ

Spirituality Centre in Spanish Point. Cost €315 (residential)

€235 non resident with meals). Enquiries to Sr. Annette

Sexton 087 9247025 or Fr Donagh O Meara 087 2322140

**CARING FOR CARERS MEETING:**

February 1<sup>st</sup> at Tony Greene's House V95 R5D3 at 7.30pm

Please note Change of date and time.

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES:**

The novena begins in Ennis Cathedral on Friday 3rd

February concluding on Saturday 11th February, feast of

our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the sick.

Weekdays 7.30pm, Saturdays 11am, Sunday 11.30am.

([www.EnnisParish.com](http://www.EnnisParish.com))

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** on 27th June and 2nd October. More details later

### **MILTOWN MALBAY/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR GROUP:**

The Community First Responders from Miltown Malbay / Moy Defibrillator Group are now fully trained and certified to meet National Ambulance Service standards in responding to emergency call outs.

They have linked with the National Ambulance Service since January 19<sup>th</sup>. This means that when a 999 or 112 call for heart attack, chest pain, stroke or choking is received by the Ambulance Service from anyone in Miltown Malbay and Moy parish, the Defibrillator Group will also receive a text and will be in a position to respond in a timely manner.

They would like to thank Tony Cogan for organising the Christmas Day Swim at White Strand and the local community who supported both the swim and the recent Church Gate Collection which have helped to pay for two new defibrillators, one in Miltown and one in Moy, new cabinets, training equipment and other resources. None of this would have been possible without your generosity. Míle buíochas.

**CONCERTINA CRUINNIÚ, 2023:** The 11<sup>th</sup> Concertina Cruinniú organised by Oidhreacht an Chláir, with continued support from the Arts Council, will be held on February 10-12, comprising classes for all grades (including adult beginners), lectures and recitals, and free public sessions. The *Gala Concert* on Saturday 11, at 8.30 pm in the Community Centre, will feature the renowned group **Buttons and Bows**, as well as several other top-class musicians. The fee for students, covering tuition and all events except the Gala Concert, is €80, but only €60 for those who register and pay by January 31. Please register and pay online for classes at [www.concertinacruinniui.ie](http://www.concertinacruinniui.ie), where full details of the programme may be viewed.

### **Clothes Recycling**

St. Joseph's N.S. Miltown Malbay is holding a clothes recycling collection on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February. Items for recycling include: clothing, household linen, sheets, blankets, curtains, shoes, handbags. No duvets, pillows or underwear please. Items to be in clean condition. Please drop your recycling bags to the main door of the school or into the bicycle shelter on or before February 13<sup>th</sup>. Contact Aidan on 087-6909605.

### **School Enrolment**

St. Joseph's N.S. Miltown Malbay is now enrolling new students for Sept. 2023. Enrolment Forms can be downloaded from our website: [www.stjosephsimm.ie](http://www.stjosephsimm.ie) and posted to the school. For any enquiries please contact Aidan Looney on 087- 6909605.

The following are our social media platforms:  
Facebook: Miltown Malbay National School  
Instagram: miltownmalbayns

### **Miltown Malbay N.S. Development Project**

The Board of Management (B.O.M.) of Miltown Malbay N.S. will soon be undertaking a major school/community development on the school grounds. The B.O.M. is holding an information launch on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>. February @ 2pm. at the school. Anyone interested in finding out about this very important school/community project are welcome to attend.

**MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065 7050199**  
**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749**  
**BASKET COLLECTION – 22/1/2023 - €1,405**

### **SCOIL SAMHRAIDH WILLIE CLANCY ACCOMMODATION 2023**

The programme for the 51<sup>st</sup> Scoil Samhraidh Willie Clancy will be published shortly. As usual the programme will offer a wide range of tuition options including instrumental, traditional dances, traditional song and a week-long immersion course in the history and evolution of Irish traditional music, song and dance, all complemented by lectures and recitals. Inquiries are pouring in from students signing up for classes and from prospective visitors eager to experience the atmosphere of the Willie Clancy Week. Accommodation is urgently required and people having accommodation to rent -houses, apartments, mobile homes and B&Bs – should contact [kilduffmg@gmail.com](mailto:kilduffmg@gmail.com) or 089-2320498 as soon as possible.

**HOUSE FIRE FUND:** The Crowe Family Home was extensively damaged by fire recently along with the contents of the House. The Pastoral Council invites people to make a donation towards rebuilding the house and its contents. Envelopes are available in the porches of both churches and you may drop your envelope in the basket at Mass or you may do it on our Stripe Facility - <https://www.killaloe-diocese.ie/parish/miltown-malbay-kilfarboy/donate/miltown-malbay-kilfarboy-parish-special-collections/> Mark it House Fire. Thank You

### **TIRED OF SITTING AT HOME?**

Come and join us for a cup of Tea/Coffee and a chat every Friday morning in the Community Hall, Church Street from 10.30 to 11.30a.m. Starting Friday February 10<sup>th</sup>. There will be cake and Biscuits too!  
Everyone welcome €2 to cover costs. Further enquiries please contact Cora 087 1354192 or Cáit Ní Lionsaigh 086 4534466.

### **SOCIAL DANCING CLASSES:**

Social Dancing Classes have started in the Community Centre, Miltown. A place can be booked with Eva on 085 8210633. They are on Monday nights from 8pm - 10pm

### **West Clare FRC Activities for Over 55's in KILRUSH COMMUNITY CENTRE**

- SOCIAL DANCING with Mary Murrighy, 6 week-course starting Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 11.45-12.45
- TEA DANCE with MINUS TWO, Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February, 2 to 4.30PM
- TAI CHI Thursday at 12-noon

**WARM CONGRATULATIONS** to Eoin Cleary on becoming Captain of the Clare Senior Footballers and to Conor Cleary on becoming Captain of the Clare Senior Hurlers. A wonderful honour for our Parish.

### **WEDNESDAY ON THE WEB:**

Next Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February Karen McInerney will entertain on our Wednesday on the Web from Miltown Church at 6.30pm. Please tune in on [www.miltownmalbayparish.ie/web-cam/](http://www.miltownmalbayparish.ie/web-cam/) or on radio.

**ROCKMOUNT NS** will be taking enrolments for September 2023 from the end of January. Please contact us on 065 7084599 or Email [rockmountnationalschool@gmail.com](mailto:rockmountnationalschool@gmail.com)  
For further information