

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH MILTOWN MALBAY ST. MARY'S CHURCH MOY
CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA
CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH, SPANISH POINT
Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection Year A 9th April, 2023

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In Miltown Malbay Church

Readers for Next Sunday: 6 p.m. Bernie Mee
12.15 p.m. Anne Downes

Next Sunday is the Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) Year A

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, Thursday & Friday

MASS: **6 p.m. Saturday** – Commemoration Mass For the Canada Cross Victims

MASS: **12.15 p.m. Sunday** for Moira Hillery Spanish Point (1st Anniversary)

MOY:

MASS: **9.15 a.m. Sunday** – **Grouped Anniversary Masses**
John & Jane White née Flaherty, Lackamore & Deceased Members of the White & Flaherty Families
Mary O'Connell, Lackamore
James Haren, Cloneyogan

SYMPATHY to the Byrnes Family, Mullagh Road on the death of their Daughter Zeta in the U.K. to the Crowley Family on the death of their Nephew Paul Finnerty, Dublin and to Maeghan Dineen on the death of Joan Megrew Keilen, Cazenovia, New York. Rest in Peace Zeta, Paul and Joan

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

REFLECTION **HOLY SATURDAY**

What happened in the tomb, that darkened space between the Cross and the noiseless linens laid aside? Who speaks to us of this inaudible obscurity? No one. The secret of silent gestation overlooked in favour of the grand moment of resurrection. And yet, a part of each life bears resemblance to that bleakness in which a quiet turning from death to life unfolds.

A similar story of the unheard, the unspoken, the unfelt breathes in the wintered bud preparing for blossom, the caterpillar cells giving way to a monarch's beauty, the wonder of a human forming in a mother's womb, a sleeping seed awakening in the darkened soil.

Each turns slowly toward life, like the Beloved of the Soul tethered by thickness of stone in the tomb's seclusion. There the Holy One waited, coming forth as all-abiding Spirit, forever present, forever near, forever in love with us.

Who urges us to sit still, to be patient in the nurturing tomb of darkness, to enter its enveloping silence with assurance? Where do we seek steady courage when sadness, distress, confusion, and flatness wall us in with airless depression? How do we wait with a balance of acceptance and yearning, relinquishment and action, hesitation and confidence?

The stones that block our light, whatever they might be let us stop shoving them aside. Give ourselves over to the gestation required before hope's fresh air unseals the tomb.

Do not hurry the soul's metamorphosis. Trust in the maturation of some essential growth. Remain confident. Keep focused on the Risen One. Breathe in the possibility of some new joy, for it hides in this very moment, readying itself to slip past the stone

CHRISTCHURCH, SPANISH POINT:

The congregation of Christchurch Spanish Point invites you to come and view our Easter Flowers and Empty Tomb:

Saturday 8th. April from 11.30 a.m. to 4.00p.m.

Sunday 9th (Easter Day) and Monday 10th from 11.00a.m. to 4.00p.m.

We should be delighted to see you!

DAWN MASS at 5.45 a.m. in SPANISH POINT

Refreshments in the Golf Club after Mass.

Collection at the Dawn Mass for the Burren Sub-Aqua Rescue Service.

PRIESTS EASTER COLLECTION:

The Easter Collection for the Priests of the Parish is being taken up this week-end. Envelopes are in our boxes

Killaloe Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Bishop Fintan will lead the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from Shannon Airport on Tuesday 27th June, returning Sunday 2nd July. €809.00 includes flight, airport transfers, full board with three meals a day, sanctuary levy. For more information and bookings, please contact Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800 or email info@joewalshstours.i

TRÓCAIRE: A reminder to keep the Trócaire Collection in mind as we come to the end of Lent

This year Trócaire is focusing on the Gedo Region of Southern Somalia. Somalia is experiencing huge drought because of Climate Change. Envelopes are in our Collection Boxes or alternatively you can hand in your Trócaire box on Holy Thursday or over the Easter week-end.

Easter Bunny Fun Run

Miltown Malbay N.S. is holding an Easter Bunny Fun Run on Easter Sunday. This is a fundraiser for the Miltown Malbay Community M.U.G.A. (Multi Use Games Area) The Easter Bunny Fun Run will start and finish at St. Joseph's G.A.A. grounds. Registration for the Fun Run will start at 9.30am at the Club House with the Fun Run starting at 10.30am. Please come along on Easter Sunday morning.

M.U.G.A. Fundraising Golf Classic

The Fundraising Committee of the Miltown Malbay Community Multi Use Games Area (M.U.G.A.) are organising a Golf Classic on Fri. 14th and Sat. 15th April. For Tee Time Bookings please contact Kieran 087-1386855 or Seamus 086-1527831. We are looking for main sponsors and tee box sponsors. Please contact Kerry 085-1091387 or Marion 087-4119460 to discuss the options available. All support is greatly appreciated. Looking forward to making this a big success for our Multi Use Games Area.

WEDNESDAY ON THE WEB: Wednesday on the web continues on Wednesday 12th of April at 6.30 p.m. with Garda Triona Brooks. Garda Brooks will speak about keeping your property secure in the Summer and personal safety. You may log on to the webcam or tune in on the Radio.

BEST OF LUCK to the Clare Footballers this week-end against Cork in Ennis.

A VERY HAPPY EASTER TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS ON THIS WEEKEND

DELAYED CENTENARY CANADA CROSS COMMEMORATION:

The Delayed Centenary Commemoration of Canada Cross will take place on Saturday 15th April in Miltown. The event is the first ever Commemoration of the deaths of Patrick Hennessy, John O Loughlin and Thomas O Leary who were the innocent victims of a police rampage in the town. The loss of life, injuries and trauma had long term impact. The Commemoration starts at 4.30 pm with a wreath laying in Ballard. Mass will be celebrated in Miltown followed by a Candlelight procession to Canada Cross for Blue Plaque unveiling ceremony. Dr John Treacy will deliver a lecture in hall where an exhibition will run all day. All welcome to mark this significant event.

CLARE LOCAL DEVELOPMENT COMPANY:

A vacancy exists on the Rural Social Scheme for Miltown Malbay Parish Graveyards. Certain Criteria applies. Contact Diane Burke on 086 8078817

Vision Fitness Shanaway - Contact Deirdre on 085-1044016

Monday & Thursday - Mum & Baby/ Toddler

Class 9:45/10am

Mum and Baby class means you can bring your baby/toddler to class with you or you can come without.

This class is a full body workout and suitable for everyone.

The class is for any mum that finds it easier to workout in a group environment. Or for any mum that just wants to get back exercising and is struggling to do it yourself. For mums that do not have childcare or do not want to call on those favours just for an exercise class.

For anyone that wants to lose weight we will put a plan in place for you to achieve this and do weekly weigh-ins.

Monday & Thursday - Sculpt Strength 5pm-7pm

This is a 6-week strength training program. We also do a 1lb weight loss challenge over the course of the 6 weeks. Nutrition advice and weekly weigh-ins.

Monday & Thursday - Boxercise Circuits 7:30pm

Boxercise Circuits is a 45 min full body workout. It combines boxing, body weight and weight exercises. This will be like my previous circuits class with the addition of boxing.

Wednesday - Tone & Stretch 8pm

Tone & Stretch is back! New improved format. This class is for anyone that wants to workout at a lower intensity. The focus will be on strengthening the body. Improving mobility by strengthening the muscles around your joints.

ARE YOU, OR IS SOMEONE YOU KNOW, LIVING WITH A LONG TERM HEALTH CONDITION?

If so, then you may be interested in the 'Living Well Programme'. Living Well is a *Free ONLINE*, 6 week group self-management programme for adults living with long term health conditions, such as asthma, COPD, diabetes, heart conditions, stroke and others to name but a few.

There are spaces available on our MAY 2023 Programmes. To book your place please contact Aine (041) 6850676 / (087) 1140371 or Joanne (041) 6860710 / (087) 4308735 or

www.hse.ie/livingwell

COOKING CLASSES:

Would you like to know how to cook healthy, budget friendly meals? LCETB are running an 8 week cooking class, starting Thursday 20th April at Miltown Malbay Campus, Ballard Road. Suitable for beginners and those experienced in the kitchen. For further information or to book a place phone 0860319160.

MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065 7050199

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749

BASKET COLLECTION – 2/4/2023 - €1,652

PARISH OFFICE will be closed Easter Monday