

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

**CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA**

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

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2023**

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**In Miltown Malbay Church**

**Readers for Next Sunday:**

6 p.m. Anne Downes

12.15 p.m. Flann O'Keeffe

**Next Sunday is the Twenty-Second 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 – Grouped Anniversary**  
**Masses**

P.J. Neylon, Clohanbeg  
Tony Dooley, Ballard Road  
Brian Corbett, Slí Liag Árd  
Deceased Members of the Kerin Family,  
Ennistymon Road  
P.J. Lysaght, Ballard Road

**MASS: 12.15 pm Sunday**

**MOY:**

**MASS: 9.15 Sunday – Grouped Anniversary**  
**Masses**

Nora White, Her Daughter Mary Considine  
& Deceased Members of the White Family  
Morgan & Mary Finucane & Deceased  
Members of the Finucane Family, Moy  
Kitty & John Finucane, Cloneyogan

**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**

**Peter**

Peter has been called a stumbling saint.  
He is a great consolation to us  
because courage fails us all.  
All of us are mere mortals,  
who are inconstant in our beliefs.  
We must learn to forgive ourselves  
momentary weaknesses and failures.  
We need to surmount these things  
and see the world in less rigid terms.  
We must not judge ourselves or others  
by momentary inconsistencies,  
but rather by commitment given over a long time.  
Jesus was well aware of Peter's faults,  
but he saw that, in spite of everything,  
his heart was sound.  
Which meant he had the ability to love.  
And in the long run love is what counts.

**ANNUAL LEAVE:**

Fr. Donagh is away on Annual Leave from  
Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> of August to Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> of  
September. In the event of a Funeral  
Fr. John Meade 087/9450163 is on duty.

**SYMPATHY** to the O'Loughlin Family, Milford  
on the Death of Frankie who died last week-end  
and Sympathy and Prayers are asked for the  
Repose of the Soul of Nora O'Brien who died  
recently in England in her 95<sup>th</sup> year, Sister of  
Jody Linnane, Annagh.  
Rest in Peace Frankie and Nora

**KILLALOE DIOCESE AUTUMN PILGRIMAGE**  
**TO LOURDES**

Takes place from 2nd to 7th October. 780 euro full board.  
Limited seats available .  
Booking to Joe Walsh Tours 89 Harcourt Street Dublin 2  
D02WY88 Tel: 01-2410800 [www.joewalshstours.ie](http://www.joewalshstours.ie)

**THE CLARE 250 ORGANISATION** cordially invites you to the book launch of 'A life of Taking Chances – The Story of John Dunne' at the Old Ground Hotel, Ennis on Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. All profits from the sale of the book will be donated to the Clare 250.

**MATT TALBOT NOVENA: DATE FOR THE DIARY**--The Matt Talbot Novena will take place again this year in St. Senan's Church, Kilrush beginning on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 7.30 p.m. & will continue for nine consecutive Monday nights.

**THE TURF SHED LAUNCHED THEIR NEW CD**  
In McCarthy's Bar, Clounlaheen recently. Copies of the CD are available in the parish office, Mullagh.

**EMPLOY ABILITY CLARE:**  
If you have an illness, disability or any extra support needs and would like some help to find work, EmployAbility Clare can assist you. For further information, contact *Karen on (065) 6844007 or email [info@employabilityclare.ie](mailto:info@employabilityclare.ie) or log on to [www.employabilityclare.ie](http://www.employabilityclare.ie)*

**BURREN RAMBLE:** The waters and the wild of the Burren are calling to everyone to come on out on Sunday 3 September for the Burren Ramble in aid of the RNLI Lifeboats. Base camp is in the heart of the Caher Valley for parking at 11am. This route for parking is up by the Caher river and St Patrick's church in Fanore. The 8km ramble leaves at 12 noon. This year the ramble will be all on the road leading up into Caherbullog and Lismorahaun. The World famous Lismorahaun singers will sing in their own place for the rambles. Bring suitable walking and weather gear. Information from 0876260301. All proceeds to the RNLI Lifeboats.

**REMEMBRANCE BENCH:** There is a new bench in the church car park in Miltown Malbay. It is to remember all those who died by suicide and it is a place for loved ones to sit and reflect and remember them.  
It was inspired by a trip to the town park in Charleville in Co Cork with the late Cathy Sexton and her son Fionn. The Charleville Suicide Remembrance Group was founded by Margaret O'Callaghan who also lost her son to suicide. This generous group of people kindly donated the bench to Miltown Malbay. Cathy lost her son Tadgh to suicide in July 2015. On seeing this in Charleville, both Cathy and Fionn said to Pearse Connolly, this would be great for Miltown Malbay, and so the idea landed.

Thank you to Pearse Connolly for ensuring Cathy's wish is realised. Thank you to the County Council staff who did such a great job and to John O'Malley and Miltown Malbay Tidy Towns who donated the tree.

On Sunday the 17th of September at 3.30pm we will gather at the Bench to remember Cathy. Fr Donagh will bless the bench, we will sing some songs for Cathy and all are welcome

**MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065 7050199**  
**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749**  
**BASKET COLLECTION** – 21/8/2023 - €2,025

**CENTENARY COMMEMORATION OF THE RINEEN AMBUSH – SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> of SEPTEMBER**  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> of September will be a Special Day. It will begin with the unveiling of a Praque to remember Ignatius O'Neill at 10 a.m. Mass will be celebrated at 10.30 a.m. (No 12.15 Mass on that Sunday). A Wreath will be laid at the Rineen Ambush Site at 12.30. (More details to follow.

**MILTOWN EMBROIDERY** is now taking orders for Miltown school hoodies – contact Martha on 086 3530157.

#### **Introducing a New Birth Preparation Course**

**Where** Miltown Malbay Community Centre

**When** Thursdays 18:00 to 20:00

**Starting** 7<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**Cost** €40 per course,  
€12 per individual session

**Duration** 4 weeks

**Suitable** from 24 weeks pregnant

#### **THE WEST CLARE CHALLENGE:**

The West Clare Challenge will take place on Saturday, September 9 @ 10 am and participants will cycle through West Clare along the Wild Atlantic Way. Suitable for cyclists with varying abilities. Cyclists can choose from two routes - 90km (e-bike friendly) and 130km. The registration fee is 40 EUR.

All monies raised will go to the Light House Project under the West Clare Mental Health Association. The West Clare Cycling Club Youth Development Fund is raising funds to develop a year-round traffic-free outdoor cycling track, a first of its kind in West Clare, with a specific focus on youth involvement and development.

To register, visit <https://www.westclarechallenge.ie>.

#### **TRADITIONAL MUSIC CLASSES:**

Open Evening for Enrolment 6th September 2023 from 6-7pm for Tin Whistle and Flute Classes with Bríd O Donohue at Ceol na nÓg, Glendine, Miltown Malbay. Weekly classes will commence on 12th, 13th & 14th September. Private or Group Classes for Children and Adults. Zoom classes available on request. Mixed instrument class for Seisiún playing also available every fortnight. Further information by contacting Bríd on 087 2267113 or email [bridodonohue@yahoo.com](mailto:bridodonohue@yahoo.com)

**FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING LCETB, Miltown Malbay Campus:** We have a range of QQI accredited and non-accredited courses commencing September 2023 in Horticulture, Biodiversity, Cookery, Art, Computer Skills, Using Your Smartphone, Literacy, Numeracy and a Baby & Toddler group. For further information or to book a place phone 086-0319160, email [arlene.doris@lcteb.ie](mailto:arlene.doris@lcteb.ie) or call to Miltown Malbay Campus, Ballard Road. All courses are fully funded and all materials will be provided.