

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

**CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA**

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

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2023**

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**In Miltown Malbay Church**

**Readers for Next Sunday:** 6 p.m. Bernie Mee

12.15 p.m. Flann O'Keeffe

**Next Sunday is the Twenty-Sixth 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 Kathleen Sexton,  
Fintra (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**MASS: 12.15 p.m. Sunday** for Patricia McMahon,  
Ballyvaskin (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**MOY:**

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

**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

**PRIESTS' BENEVOLENT FUND:**

Sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the Priests' Benevolent Fund last week-end.

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

Caelan Michéal O'Gorman who was baptised in

St. Mary's Church Moy last week-end.

**IRISH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE**

**BLOOD DONOR CLINIC**

**Falls Hotel Ennistymon**

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September

16:50 - 20:10

New Donors Welcome

Please ring 1800 222 111 to book your appointment.

**REFLECTION /PRAYER**

'My thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are my ways your ways.

As high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so high are my ways above your ways,  
my thoughts above your thoughts' says the Lord.  
How small our thoughts can be,  
and how poor our ways of seeing and judging.  
We think miserly thoughts,  
and act in miserly ways.

Why?

Because we have small minds and small hearts.  
Lord, open our minds and enlarge our hearts,  
so that we think more like you,  
and act more like you.

Let us not to begrudge your goodness to others,  
knowing that we too are undeserving  
of your favours,  
and stand more in need of your mercy  
than of your justice. Amen.

**CENTRAL HOTEL, MILTOWN MALBAY**

Our new neighbours and friends in the Central Hotel (41 men in total) require the following as we head into the winter: winter jackets, winter jumpers, thermals, warm socks, gloves, hats and boots. We hope to have a 2nd collection at Mass 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> of October in Miltown & KIB Parishes.

**PERSONAL ALARMS:** We hope to apply for a grant to get personal alarms (also known as panic buttons) for anyone over 65 years of age. You don't have to be living alone. A personal alarm gives you the security to press a button to call for help in the event of an emergency. It works on either landline telephones or on mobiles. If you are interested in a personal alarm, please contact Mary on 087-6200219.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Pastoral Council meeting on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September at 8 p.m. in the parish office.

**CONFIRMATION TALK:** Talk for the Parents of the Confirmation Children in the Bellbridge Hotel on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 p.m.

**BLESSING OF CHILDREN STARTING SCHOOL FOR THE FIRST TIME** IN Miltown Church on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> of September at 7p.m.

**ÉIGSE THOMÁIS UÍ AODHA, 2023:** The 5th annual Irish-language festival, organised by Oidhreacht an Chláir in memory of Miltown man Tomás Ó hAodha (1866-1935), poet, dramatist, actor, cartographer and Gaeilge activist, will be held on October 6-7, in Áras OaC (Flag Road). On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm, Dr Críostóir Mac Cárthaigh (recently retired Director of the National Folklore Collection) will give a lecture, *Ag Taifeadh Scéalaíochta agus Seanchais in Iarthar an Chláir, 1950*, dealing with the recording of storytelling and folklore in West Clare in 1950. Seo deis iontach le léargas a fháil ar bhéaloideas an cheantair seo ó iar-Stiúrthóir Chnuasach Bhéaloideas Éireann, arb as an gceantar seo dó féin. There will also be an exhibition of the personal Archive of Tomás ÓhAodha. On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>, 10.30-12.00 noon, beidh *Ceardlann Amhránaíochta* (Singing Workshop) by MacDara Ó Confhaola from Inis Oírr. Ó 3.00pm to 5.30pm, beidh *Ceol agus Caint* i Friel's, featuring a Pop-Up Gaeltacht as an opportunity for people to use their Irish, amháin le MacDara Ó Confhaola agus Tim Dennnehy, agus ceol le Eithne Ní Dhonghaile (cruit), John Canny (bosca ceoil) agus John Weir (fidil).. Gabhaimid buíochas le Foras na Gaeilge agus le Comhairle Contae an Chláir as a dtacaíocht. All events are free. Míle fáilte roimh chách

**MILTOWN GAA GOLF CLASSIC:** Miltown GAA will hold their annual Golf Classic on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> of October in Spanish Point Golf club. Teams of 4 any combination ladies 7 gents €160. to book a Tee time contact Sean on 087 7742153. great Golf, great prizes , great day out ,what more could you ask for.

**MILTOWN GAA FAMILY CLUB DAY:** Miltown GAA would like to extend an invitation to everyone to come to Hennessy Memorial Park on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of October from 1pm for our family club day. There will be the official naming of The John Reidy Stand, Underage Blitz games for boys & girls, Live DJ, BBQ and plenty of refreshments on hand. Admission is free and all are very welcome.

**Clothes Recycling:** St. Joseph's N.S. Miltown Malbay is holding a clothes recycling collection on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October. 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 October 16<sup>th</sup>. Contact Aidan on 087-6909605.

**EMPLOY ABILITY CLARE:** You are welcome to join us at a FREE event as part of World Mental Health Month (Connect Café) on 6<sup>th</sup> October , between 10am to 1pm at Ennis Scout Hall , Station Road , Ennis, V95 A394. We have some great Guest Speakers/ Information Stands to encourage and support you in your personal wellbeing. Please contact EmployAbility Clare at 065-6844007.

**MILTOWN MALBAY YOUNG TRADITIONAL SINGERS CLUB** is now accepting new members for their monthly singing workshop in Miltown Malbay Community Centre. Therese McInerney will be running a monthly beginner/intermediate class for young people age 8+ on Saturdays. The new class will only run on demand. Contact Therese via her website: [www.theresemcinerney.com](http://www.theresemcinerney.com) or +353833171824.

**MATT TALBOT NOVENA:** The Matt Talbot will take place in St. Senan's Church, Kilrush from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 p.m. each Monday night. The list of speakers are as follows:  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October - Joe Garry, Cooraclare, Teacher, Sports Commentator & Analyst.  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October- Rita O' Dwyer, Quilty, Ministry of Pastoral Care KIB & Miltown Parishes  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October- Maura Falsey. Cooraclare, Ministry of Pastoral Care Inis Cathaigh Pastoral Area.  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October- Fr. Tom Ryan Co-P.P. Cathedral House & Abbey Pastoral Area.  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Elma Walsh, Kerry Mother of Donal Walsh R.I.P.  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November- Fr. Martin Shanahan, Inagh/Kilnamona & Criocho Callan Pastoral Area Ministry of Healing Night  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November- Fr. Hugh O' Donnell P.P., Sean McDermott St. Dublin, Matt Talbot Cause.  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November – Kathleen Chada, Carlow Author of "Everything" Rebuilding your life after Tragedy  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November- Bishop Fintan Monahan

**FR. PAT CLARKE'S MISSION IN BRAZIL:**

Sincere thanks from Fr. Pat for your recent kind contributions to his Mission in Brazil. €1,850 was raised, it will be a huge help to the Re-Cycling Programme going on in the Parish. Sincere thanks to all.

**FRANCISCAN BROTHERS:** Br. Brian Johnson wishes to thank you for your kind contribution to the work of the Franciscan Brothers. €3,414 was raised between the two Parishes. Sincere thanks for your wonderful support.

**EXPERIENCED TEACHER** available in West Clare for Leaving Certificate Irish grinds. If interested please contact me on 0851510009.

**\*\*\*\*FOR ONE NIGHT ONLY\*\*\*\***

On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm in Miltown Malbay Community Hall there will be a wonderful evening of entertainment with a variety show & Mullagh Entire Drama Group will present 'Last Tango in Miltown'  
A once off night not to be missed! More details to follow.

**Rineen Ambush Centenary Commemoration  
Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**10.00am - Miltown Malbay Main Street**

Unveiling of plaque of remembrance to  
Commandant Ignatius O'Neill. 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion Mid  
Clare Brigade.

**10:30am – Mass of Remembrance St. Joseph's  
Church, Miltown Malbay**

**12:30pm - The Rineen Monument**

Wreath laying and military honours by Tánaiste  
Micheál Martin & The Defence Forces

**2:00pm - Armada Hotel**

Clare War of Independence exhibition  
Commemoration Lunch

Note: N67 at Rineen will be closed to traffic with  
diversions in place between 12:00pm and 2:00pm

**MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065 7050199**

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749**

**BASKET COLLECTION** – 17/9/2023 - €1,790