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

CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH, SPANISH POINT

Easter Sunday Year B 31st March, 2024

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In Miltown Malbay Church

Readers for Next Sunday: 6 p.m. Martina Rynne

12.15 p.m. Flann O'Keeffe

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

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown: (www.miltownmalbayparish.ie webcam)

MASS: 12 o'clock Monday

MASS: 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

& Friday

MASS: 6 p.m. Saturday - Grouped Anniversary

Masses

Peter Cleary, Ennistymon Road Moira Hillery, Spanish Point

Tony Egan, Ballinoe

Mary Whyte, Donie Whyte & Daughter Darina Whyte, Church Street Mary & John O'Rourke, The Crescent Malty & Mary McDonagh, Ennis Road

Seán Curtin, Caherogan

Nancy & Paddy Murphy & Deceased Members of the Murphy & Clohessy

Families

John & Mary Devitt, Faha & Deceased Members of the Kennelly & Devitt Families, Leeds & Faha

MASS: 12.15 Sunday in Miltown

MOY:

MASS: 9.15 a.m. Sunday - Grouped Anniversary

Masses

Jack, Ellen & Deceased Members of the White Family, Lackamore James Haren, Cloneyogan Mary O'Connell, Torr & Corofin

REMEMBRANCE: Our Prayers are asked for the Repose of the Soul of Mary Meade, Lis na Sí, Mullagh Road who died during the week.

Rest in Peace Mary

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 towards 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.

Joyce Rupp

"BUILDING ON DREAMS"

(Reflections on Six Decades of Change in Irish Society) - A new book by Fr. Harry Bohan the Shannon based Sociologist .

If you would like to purchase a copy of the book it's available at €10. Please contact Fr. Donagh 087-2322140. (All proceeds to Pieta House).

HOLY WEEK:

Holy week is the High Point of the Christian Calendar. We warmly invite you to join us for the Easter Ceremonies.

HOLY SATURDAY – Easter Vigil Mass Miltown 9 p.m. Mullagh 7 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY – Mass Moy at 9.15 a.m. Mass Coore 11 a.m. Miltown 12.15

<u>DAWN MASS</u> <u>6 a.m. Easter Sunday</u>, Spanish Point (weather Permitting)

Musicians are welcome for our Dawn Mass at 6 a.m. On Easter Sunday morning. If you would like to do some home baking, we would be very grateful. It can be dropped off at Spanish Point Golf Club on the morning.

<u>N.B.</u> Collection for the Burren Sub Aqua who Rescue people from the sea on the morning.

PRIESTS EASTER COLLECTION will be taken up this week-end. Envelopes are in our boxes.

<u>FIRST FRIDAY</u>: Friday is First Friday. Mass at 10 a.m.

MONTHS MIND MASS for Sr. Magdalen Sexton in Mullagh Church on Friday 5th of April at 7 p.m.

CONFIRMATION will take place on Friday 12th April in Miltown Malbay at 11 a.m. and in Mullagh at 2 p.m. (No 10 a.m. Mass on Friday 12th April in Miltown)

MISSIONVALE TOWNSHIP always needs funds to continue their great work. If you can donate details are below – thank you for your kindness:

AIB Bank Place Ennis

IBAN IE 92 AIBK 9353 8715 4310 41

BIC: AIBKIE 2d

TROCAIRE: Our contributions to Trócaire can be handed in on Holy Thursday or over the Easter week-end and following days. Envelopes are in our Collection Boxes or alternatively you can hand in your Trócaire box..

MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 999 OR 112 SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749 BASKET COLLECTION – 24/3/2024 - €1,746 PARISH OFFICE will be closed on Easter Monday

KILLALOE DIOCESE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Bishop Fintan will lead the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from Shannon Airport on Friday 21st June to Wednesday 26th June, costing 899 euro pps including flight, airport transfers, airport and sanctuary taxes, full board with three meals each day. For more information and booking please contact Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800 or email joewalshtours.ie

There will be 24 places reserved for assisted pilgrims who will be cared for in the Accueil Norte Dame with medical and caring assistance. Cost 750euro . To reserve a place in this section , please contact Fr Tom Ryan, Pilgrimage Director on 087 2349816

<u>VIVI L'IRLANDA</u> are looking for families in the Miltown Malbay/Lahinch/Ennistymon area to host Italian students over the summer months. This is an excellent opportunity to develop lifelong friendships and to experience new cultures. Dates over the summer months can be flexible. The weekly rate for host family is €330. For more information please contact Kerry 085109387 |Siobhan 0876259299.

DO YOU NEED HELP:

Accord counselling available for individuals / couples in Ennis and Nenagh. For appointments, please contact Tel: 065 6824697 or

Email: ennis@accord.ie nenagh@accord.ie

WOULD YOU LIKE SOMEONE TO TALK TO?

SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people open every day of the year 10am-10pm, Freephone 1800 80 45 91. Callers may feel isolated, alone, wish to discuss a problem in confidence, or for company during their day. SeniorLine's older volunteers are trained to listen, to support, to discuss options and to refer caller to other helpful services if necessary. So don't be alone if sharing a problem would help. Phone SeniorLine 1800 80 45 91, open every day of the year 10am-10pm

MULLAGH N.S.

A date for your diary: On Friday, May 3rd the Mullagh N.S. 6KM Fun Run/Walk will take place. Dust off the running shoes and watch this space over the coming weeks for more details.

JOHN DOWNES MEMORIAL TRACTOR, TRUCK & VINTAGE CAR RUN

takes place on Easter Sunday March 31st Registration commencing at 2p.m. from Miltown Church car park. All vehicles welcome to participate. 20 euro per vehicle. All donations will be donated to the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust in memory of Tim O'Dwyer.

Contact: Niall 085 2099922

Conor 087 2412562 Brendan 087 9561836

For further information

A VERY HAPPY EASTER TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS