

**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH MILTOWN MALBAY ST. MARY'S CHURCH MOY**  
**CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA**  
**CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH, SPANISH POINT**  
**Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Year C 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2025**

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**In Miltown Malbay Church**

**Readers for Next Sunday:** 6 p.m. Gerard Lenihan

12.15 p.m. Anne Downes

**Next Sunday is the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C**

**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 in Mullagh

**MASS:** **10 a.m.** Wednesday in Mullagh

**MASS:** **10 a.m.** Thursday in Miltown

**MASS:** **10 a.m.** Friday in Miltown

**MASS:** **6 p.m. Saturday – Grouped Anniversary**  
**Masses**

Bridie Meade, Fintramore

Pat McMahon, Knocklisrane

John Boyle, Mullagh Road

Richard & Sarah Griffin, Clohanbeg

David Jackson

**12.15pm Sunday** – Liturgy of the Word with  
Holy Communion

**MOY:**

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

Michael Flanagan, Bartrá

Eileen Cullen née Vaughan, Moy

**SYMPATHY:** Our Prayers are asked for the  
Repose of the Souls of Agatha Vaughan, Church  
Street, Fr. Seán Murphy, The Presbytery and  
Mary Kyne, Ennis Road  
all who died during the week.

Rest in Peace Agatha, Fr. Seanie and Mary

**REFLECTION:**

**Sharing in the Lord's ministry**

Lord Jesus, touch our eyes

So that we may see the signs of your presence  
in our lives and in the world.

Touch our ears so that we may hear your word.

Touch our tongues so that we may profess our  
faith.

Touch our hands so that we may give and receive.

Touch our feet so that we may walk in your paths.

Touch our minds so that we may understand your  
ways.

Touch our wills so that they may be in tune with  
your will.

Touch our hearts so that we may bring your love  
to our brothers and sisters,  
to the praise and glory of God.

Amen.

**ST. JOSEPH'S SECONDARY SCHOOL,**  
**SPANISH POINT:**

The recent Carol Service is up on the Parish webpage if  
you want to view it back

**PARISH GRAVEYARDS:**

Anyone who wishes to donate on-line can do so  
with the following information:

Miltown Malbay Parish Graveyards

Account Number 12799171

IBAN: 47BOFI 904333 12799171

BIC: BOFIE2D

**BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS:**

Bridge for beginners will commence week starting 20<sup>th</sup>  
January 2025. For further details phone  
087 7505857. Classes can be mornings, afternoons or  
evenings.

### **FR. SEÁN MURPHY (RIP)**

During the week we lost our beloved Fr. Seán, Fr. Seán was a force of nature. It's hard to believe that he is gone such was his zest for life and living. He brought an energy to life and a love of life and of people that will remain with us for a long time. Fr. Seán was always planning his next adventure. Words from John O'Donoghue the Poet Reverberate with me

"The sound of your voice found for us  
A new music that brightened everything"

Fr. Seán brought great life to so many occasions and of course great laughter and humour. You were always the better for having met him. He brought too to this Community a great care and interest in people, no matter who you were or what you had. Fr. Seán had a great interest and rapport with the Young People in our Parish and was a great source of encouragement to so many Young People.

The last part of his life wasn't easy, he endured the confinement of illness, yet he didn't complain He battled on sustained by his wonderful family, His Carers Brigid, Carmel and his Nurse Dorothy and Dr. Billy.

We believe that Fr. Seán is at home now and at peace with God.

Lines from John O'Donoghue come to mind  
May you continue to inspire us Fr. Seán  
To enter each day with a generous heart  
To serve the call of courage and love  
Until we see your beautiful face again  
In that land where there is no more separation  
Where all tears will be wiped from our mind  
And where we will never lose you again.

### **SUPPORT SERVICES**

available over Christmas:

Pieta: Helpline 1800 247 247

or text HELP at 51444

Adapt: 1800 200504 (24Hr) Domestic Abuse

Clare Haven: 065 6822435

### **CLONBONY GAA VICTORY DINNER DANCE**

In the Bellbridge House hotel on Friday 24th January 2025 Drinks @ 6.30pm!

Music by PJ Murrhy followed by DJ Decker

MC: Marty Morrissey

Tickets €60 including Monster Raffle!

Tickets available from Bellbridge House Hotel, Londis & Supervalu, Miltown Malbay. Contact Pat 087 0506419, Seán 087 6881650 or John 087 2704639

### **TEA AND COFFEE MORNING**

in Miltown Malbay Community Centre every Friday from 10.30 to 11.30 am €2 donation. All welcome!

### **THE FIRST LECTURE OF THE OLD**

**KILFARBOY SOCIETY** for 2025 is an original retelling of a local shooting in 1900. Mrs Eliza Irons, from Emlagh survived the attack in her home. The man sentenced for the night-time shooting, Patrick Woulfe, spent sixteen years in jail for a crime he insisted he did not commit. Dr Séamus Mac Mathúna, originally from Miltown Malbay, will detail the incident, the trial, the circumstances of Patrick's release and his account of the event later. The venue for the talk is the Malbay, Miltown Malbay and it takes place at 8pm on Tuesday 14th January 2025. All are welcome.

### **KEEP 'ER LIT RUN & RAFFLE 2024**

The committee of Mullagh Sports Field and the BOM and staff of Mullagh National School would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank everyone who made the "Keep 'Er Lit" tractor run and raffle such a success. Thank you to the sponsors, volunteers, participants and supporters who helped make it an unforgettable community event. We are delighted to announce that the fundraiser made a total of €5000. This will be split evenly between the playground fund and Mullagh NS.

### **FREEDOM OF THE CITY OF LONDON:**

Bernard Lynch the former Clare Priest Aids Activist and LGBTQ+ and Activist will receive the Freedom of the City of London for his work with Aids Victims in New York during the 70s and 80s. Bernard will receive the award later this month in London. Bernard is a Parishioner in Moy and we warmly congratulate him on the wonderful acknowledgment of his work.

### **ATLANTIC WAVE HOLISTIC & INTEGRATED COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY**

As a Parish Community we are hoping to offer Counselling to people around:

- (1) Anxiety Stress, Depression Support
- (2) Personal Relationship Challenges
- (3) Grief and Loss Therapy
- (4) Mindfulness Practices
- (5) Life Transition Counselling
- (6) Cultivating Compassion and Self care

The Counselling Service is Free and open to all.

Please contact Anne at 087 2180037 or email

[atlanticwavepsychotherapy@gmail.com](mailto:atlanticwavepsychotherapy@gmail.com)

more information also available from

Fr. Donagh 087 2322140

**ROCKMOUNT N.S.:** Rockmount N.S. invites you to an Open Evening on Thursday 23rd January, from 6-7pm. Explore the school, meet the staff and learn more about what we offer. All are welcome! All those in attendance will be entered into our draw to win a Clare jersey signed by the team. Our Eircode is V95NW93.

**MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 999 OR 112 SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749 BASKET COLLECTION 5/1/2025 - €1,640**