

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

**CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA**

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

**Third Sunday of Easter Year C 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2025**

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**In Miltown Malbay Church**

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

12.15 p.m. John G. Devitt

**Next Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Easter 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

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**MASS:** **7p.m. Thursday in Miltown**  
For Geraldine Sexton, Knockliscrane  
(Months Mind)  
(Please note no 10 a.m. Mass on Thursday)

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

**MASS:** **4.30 p.m. Saturday**

**MASS:** **12.15 Sunday – Grouped Anniversary**  
**Masses**  
Mary, Jay & John Sexton, Ballard  
Pat Curtin & Deceased Members of  
The Curtin Family, Dunsallagh

**MOY:**  
**MASS:** **9.15 a.m. Sunday – Grouped Anniversary**  
**Masses**  
Paddy Vaughan, Moy  
Deceased Members of the Whelan Family,  
Aylebrack

**SYMPATHY:** Our Prayers are asked for the Repose of  
the Souls of Teresa Kerins née Malone, formerly of  
Rineen who has died in London and Donnacha Rynne  
Church Road who died during the week.  
Rest in Peace Teresa and Donnacha

**SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> of May Mass in Miltown at**  
**4.30 p.m.**  
**(not at 6p.m. as Clare V Tipperary at 6p.m.)**

**REFLECTION:**

**A gentle reminder from Pope Francis**

This life will go by fast.

Don't fight with people, don't criticize your body so  
much, don't complain so much.

Don't lose sleep over your bills.

Look for the person that makes you happy.

If you make a mistake, let it go and keep  
seeking your happiness.

Never stop being a good parent.

Don't worry so much about buying luxuries and  
comforts for your home, and don't kill yourself trying  
to leave an inheritance for your family. Those benefits  
should be earned by each person, so don't dedicate  
yourself to accumulating money.

Enjoy travel, enjoy your journeys, see new places, give  
yourself the pleasures you deserve. Allow dogs to get  
closer. Don't put away the fine glassware.

Utilize the new dinnerware; don't save your favourite  
perfume, use it go out with yourself; wear out your  
favourite sport shoes; repeat your favourite clothes.

So what? That's not bad. Why not now? Why not  
pray now instead of waiting until before you sleep?

Why not call now? Why not forgive now? We wait so  
long for Christmas;

For Friday; for Reunions; for another year; for when I  
have money; for love to come; when everything is  
perfect...

Look...Everything perfect doesn't exist.

Human beings can't accomplish this because it simply  
was not intended to be completed here. Here is an  
opportunity to learn. So take this challenge that is life  
and do it now...

Love more, forgive more, embrace more, love more  
intensely and leave the rest in God's hands. Amen

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

First Holy Communion in Moy on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> of May  
at 11 a.m.

First Holy Communion in Miltown on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> of  
May at 11 a.m.

## **SAFEGUARDING MONTH OF MAY:**

It is only fitting at this time to remind ourselves of Pope Francis vision, teaching and commitment to ensuring our Churches are a safe place for both children and Vulnerable adults.

**Safeguarding.** Our generation must show that it can rise to the promise found in each [child and] young person when we know how to give them space. This means that we have to create the material and spiritual conditions for their full development, to give them a solid basis on which to build their lives; to guarantee their safety and their education to be everything they can be; to pass on to them lasting values that make life worth living; to give them a transcendent horizon for their thirst for authentic happiness and their creativity for the good; to give them the legacy of a world worthy of human life; and to awaken in them their greatest potential as builders of their own destiny, sharing responsibility for the future of everyone. If we can do all this today, we anticipate the future that enters the world through the window of the young.

Pope Francis (2013).

**NOVENA TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS** leading to the feast of the Sacred Heart starting May 2<sup>nd</sup> every Friday in May and June.

Live stream on [www.sacredheartcrusade.ie](http://www.sacredheartcrusade.ie)

Through Shalom World

Novena and arrival of relics associated with devotion to the Sacred Heart arriving in the Cathedral Ennis on Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

**TRÓCAIRE:** Our contributions to Trócaire can still be handed in to the Church or the parish office. Envelopes are in our Collection Boxes or alternatively you can hand in your Trócaire box.

### **Killaloe Diocese - Online Synodal Listening**

A synod is a meeting of the people of God, priests and people, discussing the future of our church, together. Pope Francis started a consultation process which is also underway in the diocese of Killaloe. If you would like to contribute to the consultation, please click on his link to success an online response form. There will be a number of in-person meetings across the diocese which will be advertised locally. All contributions are welcome.

Click or Copy this link into your internet browser to access the form.

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd4FhXpXc2CMXImOAb9\\_hiEUBGpCSNA20NcfR5Vu3aCexbgkg/viewform?usp=dialog](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd4FhXpXc2CMXImOAb9_hiEUBGpCSNA20NcfR5Vu3aCexbgkg/viewform?usp=dialog)

### **Burren Outdoor Retreat. Saturday 17th to Monday 19th**

**May:** Would you like to come on a guided journey through the Burren with its limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient sacred sites? Let the beauty of the amazing Burren landscape renew you in body and soul. Information: Mary 087 9701130 Booking: Des 085 1614951

**MEDJUGORJE PILGRIMAGES 2025:** Direct flights from Monstar-Medjugorje –2 seats Available \*\*\*\*\* Shannon to Medjugorje in half the time! 21st – 28th May 2025 €825 – price increases to €875 after 31st January – 7 night group pilgrimage with James Considine - Fr. Joe Hayes as Spiritual Director. 27th August to 3rd September 2025 €825 - price increases to €875 after 31st January – 7 night group pilgrimage with James Considine - Fr. Martin Shanahan as Spiritual Director. For more information please contact James Considine on 065 9059328 or 085 7385385.

### **HOSPICE SUNFLOWER DAYS:**

National Sunflower Days will be taking place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025, with funds raised from the event in aid of Milford Hospice. The income we receive from fundraising events such as Sunflower Days assist us in expanding and continuing to provide the highest quality of care for patients and families throughout the Midwest Region.

**COMMUNITY DAWN WALK** on Saturday morning 10<sup>th</sup> of May at 4.15 a.m. We are asking people to gather at the Community Hall, Miltown at 4.15 a.m. with your high viz vest. People are welcome to make a donation to the Samaritans or Clare Suicide Bereavement Support.

**YOGA:** Morning Flow Yoga – A six-week course beginning Monday, April 28th at 9:45 a.m.

Mother & Baby Yoga Bliss – Also starting Monday, April 28th at 11:00 a.m.

Pregnancy Yoga – A six-week course beginning Monday, May 5th at 8:30 a.m.

For more information or to book a place contact Deirdre Devatara Finn. 086 848 3745.

### **SCOIL SAMHRAIDH WILLIE CLANCY:**

Warm Congratulation to the Scoil Samhraidh Committee – Harry Hughes, Eamonn McGivney, Seamus Ó Rocháin, Deirdre Comber, David McDermott and Maureen Kilduff on receiving the Mór-Glór Award 2025. This award that celebrates the wonderful contribution of Scoil Samhraidh to traditional music will be celebrated in Glór Ennis on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May with a wonderful line up of musicians. Tickets are on sale from Glór at 065 6843103.

**YEARLY ENVELOPES:** Boxes with the yearly envelopes for collections have been delivered to all householders in the last days. If your household has not received a box and wishes to have one it is available from the parish office. Sincere thanks to all who distributed the boxes and to everyone who helped in any way.

**CLARE FOOTBALLERS :** Best of luck to Eoin Cleary and the Clare Footballers in the Munster Final on this week-end.

**MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 999 OR 112 SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749**

**BASKET COLLECTION** 27/4/2025 - €1,950

**PARISH OFFICE** will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday