

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

CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA

CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH, SPANISH POINT

Second Sunday of Advent Year A 7th December, 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 Third Sunday of Advent Year A

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown: (www.miltownmalbayparish.ie webcam)

Mass: **9.30 a.m.** Monday in Miltown
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
6.30 p.m. Monday in Mullagh

MASS: **7.30 p.m.** Tuesday in Mullagh
(No 10 a.m. Mass in Mullagh Tuesday)

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

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

MASS: **6 p.m. Saturday** for Kathleen & Tommy McCarthy (Months Mind for Kathleen)

MASS: **12.15 Sunday – Grouped Anniversary Masses**

Maureen Gammell & Deceased Members of the Gammell & Thornhill Families
Mary & Patrick McGuire, Ballard Road
Patrick Cullen, St. Joseph's Terrace
Maggie Cullen, Dromin

MOY:

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

REMEMBRANCE: Our Prayers are asked for the Repose of the Soul of Christina (Crissie) O'Connor née Fitzpatrick, 23 Lus Na Sí, Mullagh Road, Miltown Malbay who died last week-end.
Rest in Peace Christina

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:

Monday 8th of December is the Feast of the

Immaculate Conception (Holy Day)

Mass in Miltown at 9.30 a.m.

Mass in Mullagh at 6.30 p.m.

REFLECTION:

A Journeying Prayer for Advent (Joyce Rupp)

In this Advent season, I pray that I travel the path of self-giving and relentless hope.

May I be lovingly intent and generous with each and every person I meet, recalling how Mary made the trip to spend time with pregnant Elizabeth.

Like Mary and Joseph, doing their duty in taking an arduous, undesired journey, may I draw on my inner strength and faith to meet daily duties and responsibilities.

Remembering how Mary and Joseph could not locate anywhere to stay, may the privileges of my residence lead me to care for unhoused persons.

As the Magi intently followed the star, may I choose to be aware of what stirs within the inner sanctum of my being, leading me to the place of your love.

In a spirit of the watchful shepherds who leaned toward glory-filled music, may I recognize your light-filled love in the cheerful events of this season.

When I hear disparaging words spoken about the refugees in my country, may I remember how Mary and Joseph became refugees to protect their Child.

During my travels throughout Advent, I open my inner radar to you, Holy One. I will watch closely for how I encounter you in unexpected people and events.

When the feast of Christmas arrives, may my awareness of your presence have been awakened and refreshed, my heart having travelled within yours.

HAVE YOUR SAY:

The Department of Education and Youth has launched an important survey, inviting parents, guardians, staff, and board members of primary schools to express their views on the future of our primary schools. This is a unique opportunity for members of our school communities to “have your say” and help shape the direction of education for the next generation. The link to the survey is: <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/> I strongly encourage any of the above groups to participate in the survey and share your opinion. If you are interested in change or also very importantly if you are happy with the current patronage and Catholic ethos and would like it to continue, please ensure that voice is represented before the 16th of December

KILMURRY IBRICKANE PARISH are delighted to announce tickets are now on sale for Michael English Church Concert in St. Mary's Church Mullagh V95D429 on Sunday 25th January 2026. Door open at 7pm, show time 8pm. Tickets €30 available from Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish Office 085 1872212 office@kibparish.ie, Quilty Post Office 065-7087444 & Fr. Donagh 087 2322140.

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 both landline telephones or on mobiles. If you are interested in getting a personal alarm, please tel: Mary on 087-6200219.

CANTARE CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA is staging its annual Christmas concert in Ennis Cathedral at 8pm December 19th. This year's event, in support of the Kevin Bell Repatriation Trust, is in memory of Olivia Tuohy, daughter of Liz and Kieran Tuohy, who died of Sudden Adult Death Syndrome while competing in the Edinburgh half marathon on May 25th this year. Join Cantare Choir and Orchestra under the baton of Musical Director, Michael Hennessy, for an evening of seasonal entertainment. Tickets available at glor box office or glor.ie

IRISH GUIDE DOGS: The Clare Branch of Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind have recently been presented with a Community Award by a large international company, Analog Devices. The Branch would like to sincerely thank the people of Clare and particularly those in Miltown Malbay for their ongoing support and generosity. A photo of the plaque will be on display in Murrihy's window in the Main Street

THE OLD KILFARBOY SOCIETY:

The Old Kilfarboy Society will hold their next talk on Dec 9th at the community centre at 8pm. The speaker is well known historian and writer Martin Breen who will discuss the history, music and characters of Doolin. Admission 5 euro.

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING runs every Friday from 10.30am to 11.30am in the Miltown Malbay Community Centre on Main Street. Everyone is welcome to come along. We ask for a €2 donation to cover our costs. Specifically, on Friday December 19th, we are holding our annual Christmas\Festive coffee morning, with carol singing, mince pies and lots of Christmas cheer. No donation is required on this date.

MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 999 OR 112 SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749
BASKET COLLECTION 30/11/2025 - €1,105

CAROL SERVICE:

St. Joseph's Secondary School, Spanish Point will put on their Carol Service for Christmas on Wednesday next 10th of December at 7.30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Church. A collection on the night will take place for the St. Vincent de Paul. Refreshments will be served after the Carol Service. All are welcome

FAMILY TIME AT YOUR LIBRARY:

Join us at Miltown Malbay library for a festive storytime treat for children with author Roisin Meaney on Saturday 6th December from 11.30am to 12.00pm. Suitable for children from 3 years and upwards. This is a wonderful opportunity for your little ones to enjoy the joys of storytime at the library. For our second Family Time at Your Library event, we are showing the hilarious animated film 'Father Christmas' on Thursday 11th December at 4pm. Based on the picture book of the same name by author Raymond Briggs, this 25 minute movie will be followed by a short craft session. This film is suitable for children from 4 years and upwards and all are welcome.

Further details can be obtained by ringing the library at 065-7084822 or email miltown@clarelibrary.ie

SVP CHRISTMAS APPEAL

SVP reaches out locally, Kilmurry Ibrickane & Miltown Malbay area, to so many people in need during the Christmas Season if you would like to make a contribution, you may put it in the blue envelope in the porch and put it in the basket.

ST Vincent De Paul Church gate collections will take place -

Miltown Church on Saturday 6th December at 6pm
Moy Church on Sunday 7th December at 9.15am
Mullagh Church on Sunday 7th Dec at 11am
Quilty Church on Saturday 27th December at 7.15pm
Coore Church on Sunday 28th December at 9.30am
Miltown Church on Sunday 28th December at 12.15pm
Or you can make a contribution directly into
St. Anne's Conference SVDP

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BINGO in Miltown Malbay Community Hall on Tuesday 16th December at 8.30 p.m. €2,000 pro rata. The proceeds will go to KIB Parish Fund and KIB ladies football club. Please support.

MISSIONVALE Christmas Cards to support Sr. Ethel Normoyle's Missionvale Care Centre are available in the parish office.

ST. JOSEPH'S MILTOWN GAA AGM

St. Josephs Miltown GAA AGM will take place at the clubhouse Hennessy Memorial Park on Sunday 14th of December at 5:30pm. All members are encouraged to attend and new members are always welcome.