

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

**CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA**

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

**Fifth Sunday of Lent Year A 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2026**

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**In Miltown Malbay Church**

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

12.15 p.m. John G. Devitt

**Next Sunday is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion 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:** 9.30 a.m. **Tuesday** in Mullagh

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**6 p.m. Saturday** – Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

**MASS:** 12.15 **Sunday** for Geraldine Sexton, Knockliscrane (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**Moy:**

**9.15 a.m. Sunday** – Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

**REMEMBRANCE:**

Our Prayers are asked for the Repose of the Souls of Daniel Wolf, Flag Road, Miltown Malbay who died last week-end, Andy Clancy, Chicago and Islandbawn who died recently, Carmel Ann O'Neill, Ballard Road and Noreen Curtin, Boston who died during the week. Rest in Peace Daniel, Andy, Carmel Ann and Noreen.

**SIA COLLECTION:** Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the SIA Collection last week-end.

**RECONCILIATION SERVICE FOR EASTER**

At all Masses on this week-end 21/22<sup>nd</sup> of March. Why not come along and make peace with God and one another.

**SERENITY PRAYER:**

Lord, grant me the serenity to accept things that I cannot change, the courage to change the things that I can and the wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time;

Enjoying one moment at a time;

Accepting hardships as the pathway to peace.

Taking, as Christ did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it,

Trusting that he will make all things right.

If I surrender to his will;

So that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with him forever in the next.

Amen

**LEGION OF MARY:** The Legion of Mary will visit houses in the Parish to speak about the Journey of Faith each Saturday 2.30pm-5pm. Please make them welcome

**CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME:** The Confirmation Programme for our Students receiving Confirmation this year will continue next Thursday (26<sup>th</sup>) 7 – 7.45p.m. in Miltown Church. The programme is co-ordinated by Ms. Murray and Students from St. Joseph's Secondary School, Spanish Point.

**DATE FOR DIARY:** We, Anne Healy, Noirin Lynch and Rita O'Dwyer, would like to extend an invitation to the women of the parish to join us on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March from 7 pm to 9pm in the FCJ House Spanish Point, to reflect on the breaking of bread, and the love of God during Holy Week. Donation €10.00. To book please ring 087 4479115.

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**First Holy Communion** on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> of April at 11 a.m. in Miltown Church.

**CONFIRMATION** on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April Millagh at 11 a.m. Miltown at 2 p.m.

**HOLY WEEK** is the High Point of the Christian Calendar. We warmly invite you to join us for the Easter Ceremonies.

**Holy Thursday:** Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Miltown 6.30 p.m.  
Mullagh 8 p.m.

**Good Friday:** Celebration of the Passion  
Miltown 3 p.m.  
Quilty 3 p.m.

**Moy** Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m.

Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's Well at 7.30pm  
(Stations will take place in Quilty Church if raining)

**Holy Saturday:** Easter Vigil  
Miltown 9 p.m.  
Mullagh 7 p.m.

**Dawn Mass** at 6.15 a.m. at Spanish Point  
Easter Sunday (Weather Permitting)

**N.B.:** Collection for the Burren Sub Aqua Group  
who rescue people from the Sea at the Dawn Mass

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

**Easter Sunday:** Mass in Moy at 9.15 a.m.  
Mass in Coore at 11 a.m.  
Mass in Miltown at 12.15

**FCJ Spirituality House – An Teach Spioradálta. Spanish Point. V95E0W7.**

**Weekdays:** Midday Meditation: Thurs March 26<sup>th</sup>.  
12 – 12:30 / Movie night: Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> March. Small donation for tea/coffee/heat appreciated, but all welcome as you are.  
**Saturday,** March 28<sup>th</sup>: Oasis Day to prepare for Holy week.  
10 – 4:30pm. €20

**Weekends:** Poetry reflections with Jane Hirschfield  
April 2-5<sup>th</sup> / Scripture and Leonard Cohen, April 16-19<sup>th</sup> /  
Burren Outdoor Retreat, April 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>. All residential or non res. More details at <https://fcjspiritualityhouse.ie/event/>  
or [info@fcjspiritualityhouse.ie](mailto:info@fcjspiritualityhouse.ie) or 087 447 9115.

**ESSENTIAL ONLINE MEDIA LITERACY:**

Would you like to get the most out of your Smartphone? LCETB are running a 10 week course starting Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026 9.30 – 11.30 in Miltown Malbay Campus, Ballard Road. This course will help you develop your smartphone skills in relation to social media use, online security and basic news literacy. For more information or to book a place phone 086 0319160 or email [arlene.doris@lacetb.ie](mailto:arlene.doris@lacetb.ie)

**PURPLE DAY** (or Epilepsy Awareness Day) will take place on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March. Visit [purpleday.org](http://purpleday.org).

**BEST OF LUCK** to the Clare Footballers against Sligo this week-end.

**CHRISM MASS (Blessing of Holy Oils)**

1<sup>st</sup> April in the Cathedral, Ennis at 7.30 p.m.

Included in our prayers will be our Jubilarians of 2026:

70 Platinum- Canon Séamus Mullin  
65 Sapphire - Séamus Gardiner  
60 Diamond - Tim O'Brien  
50 Golden - Gerry Kenny  
50 Golden - Pat O'Neill  
50 Goldan - Tom Hannon  
40 Ruby - Tony Casey  
10 Tin - James Michael

**ST. JOSEPH'S SECONDARY SCHOOL SPANISH PT:**

Best Wishes to the Senior Girls in the All Ireland A Final against St. Patricks Knock (Antrim) in the All Ireland Final on Thursday next 26<sup>th</sup> of March at 1p.m. in Dr. Cullen Park, Carlow. The very best also to the Mentors Mr. Reidy (Manager), Selectors Ms. Lafferty, Ms. Considine and Ms. Harvery.

**RUN THE BANNER 2026** and the Michael Egan Memorial

8k Road Race will take place on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March in Quilty starting at 11.00am. Registrations at the Kilmurry Ibrickane GAA Clubhouse starting at 9.30am to 10.45am and Parking at the Kilmurry Ibrickane GAA Grounds.

With over 200 competitors taking part for this race.

Traffic Arrangements from 11.00am to 12.00noon in the following areas, The Main Quilty -Kilrush Road , Seafield, Clohaninchy Cross, Creggane, Kilmurry, Clonadrum, all those roads will be closed for periods of the Race.

So Expect Delays that Sunday. Come along and Support your Local Club Kilmurry Ibrickane/North Clare.

**COFFEE MORNING** in aid of Galway Hospice  
Atlantic Hotel, Lahinch from 10.30 a.m. onwards.

**Storytime at Miltown Malbay library:**

Discover the magic of Storytime at Miltown library on the following dates in March for Storytime and Rhyme.

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 10am** we will have **Scéalta agus**

**Rannta le Ceri in Irish** for young children. This is a fun, free way to spark your child's imagination while celebrating our native language.

Whether your family is fluent or just starting to learn a few words, this session is designed to be a warm, welcoming experience for everyone.

Following on from that, on **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 11am author Roisin Meaney** will host her storytime in English.

This storytime is perfect for toddlers, pre-schoolers and primary school children. No booking is required, just drop in and let your child's imagination take flight.

For further information, contact our library at 065-7084822 or email: [miltown@clarelibrary.ie](mailto:miltown@clarelibrary.ie)

**GROW MENTAL HEALTH** - Friendly Community based peer support groups for anyone experiencing mental health issues through 12 Step Program of connection, hope, identity by empowering people to nurture their positive wellbeing by supporting personal growth. Ennis Meeting- Maria Assumpta Hall. Monday 7.30pm/Tuesday 2pm. Contact Celia 086-1526966/ [www.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie)

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

**BASKET COLLECTION** 15&17/3/2026 - €2,158

**SIA COLLECTION:** €566