

**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 Easter Year A 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2026**

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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 Sixth Sunday of Easter Year A**

**LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Miltown:** ([www.miltownmalbayparish.ie](http://www.miltownmalbayparish.ie) webcam)

**Monday:** **9.30 a.m.** Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

**MASS:** **9.30 a.m. Tuesday** in Mullagh

**MASS:** **8.45 a.m. Wednesday** in Mullagh

**MASS:** **9.30 a.m. Thursday** in Miltown

**MASS:** **9.30 a.m. Friday** in Miltown

**MASS:** **6pm Saturday**

**MASS:** **12.15 Sunday** for Pat Curtin & Deceased Members of the Curtin Family, Dunsallagh

**Moy:**

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

**REMEMBRANCE:** Our Prayers are asked for the Repose of the Souls of Ann O'Connor, Cois Mara, Spanish Point, Fr. Michael McLaughlin, Inch and Miltown and Canon Séamus Mullin. Rest in Peace Ann, Fr. Michael and Canon Séamus

**FR. MARTY BOYLE (RIP)**

We hope to unveil a bench to the memory of the late Fr. Marty Boyle on Saturday 2nd of May. We will begin with Mass of remembrance at 12.30pm in Mullagh Church followed by the unveiling of the bench and refreshments in Mullagh Church afterwards. All are welcome.

**MILFORD CARE CENTRE:**

Our annual Service of Remembrance will take place on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> of May at 3pm in our Lady Help of Christians Church, Milford, Limerick.

**TRÓCAIRE:** Our contributions to Trócaire can still be handed in to the Church or the parish office.

**REFLECTION:**

He took the bread and blessed it

He broke it and handed it to us.

We recognised him then a stranger no longer

But he vanished from our sight.

It was clear for us then why our fear started crumbling and why our love was returning.

Almost anything can happen at a table

Anything can happen when you share a meal.

Yes, I know,

It happens at tables the world over

We sit down as strangers

Strangers in our own household.

Yet when we are together, the possibility remains some day we will leave as friends

We will drop our masks of fear and recognise each other for the first time. How can we hand bread to

one another and remain the same?

Some day when our hands reach for the bread our hearts will touch.

And then we will know our foolishness

We will recognise each other at last

Our fears will flee away

We will be scattered strangers no longer.

Anything can happen

When you share a meal!

(Macrina Wiederkehr)

**ALONE:** Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking Visitation and Telephone volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please apply via the ALONE website at [www.alone.ie/volunteer](http://www.alone.ie/volunteer) or for further information please contact Aoife Dennehy on 086-0120221 or via email [Aoife.dennehy@alone.ie](mailto:Aoife.dennehy@alone.ie)

If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you, please call 0818 222 024.'

### **CANON SÉAMUS MULLIN (RIP)**

On this week-end we remember Canon Séamus and the huge contribution he made in our community over all the years since 1989. We remember his work on making the extension to Ballard Graveyard possible. We remember also that as a Millennium Project, he installed external lighting for Moy Church. But more profoundly we remember a huge legacy of kindness to the people of our community over all the years. Canon Séamus had huge interest in people and shared great kindness to those who were sick. We give thanks for a life well lived and we thank Teresa who cared for Canon with such kindness over all the years. Sincere thanks also to Canon's Carers: Bridget, Martina, Carmel and Ann. Sincere thanks to Dorothy, to Willie Healy and the Healy Family, to Nurses Hannah and Maura and to Marie Kelly and her Staff and to Dr. Kelleher and his Staff. May Canon Séamus's Gentle Soul Rest in Peace.

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE** from May 20th to May 27th - there are still places available flying directly from Shannon to Mostar at a cost of €895.00. For further information, please contact Jimmy on (065) 9059328.

### **BRING FLOWERS OF THE FAIREST -**

Women's Journey towards the Devine - We, Noirin, Ann and Rita, would like to invite the ladies of the Parish to join us in the Spirituality House Spanish Point on Mon 11th May from 7pm to 9 pm, to reflect on Our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of the May. To book, please ring 087 4479115. Donation €10.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of May at 8 p.m. in the parish office.

**\*\*BINGO\*\*** Our next Bingo will be Tuesday 5th May in Miltown Malbay Community Hall at 8pm €2000 pro rata...All welcome!

**CLOTHES COLLECTION:** Gaelscoil Iosef Naofa, Moy is holding a clothes collection. All clean clothing, curtains, sheets, towels, blankets. old shoes, belts and bags can be dropped to the school shed over the coming weeks. Last day of collection is **Monday May 4th**. No duvets or pillows allowed. Please have items in sealed plastic bags.

**NATIONAL EPILEPSY WEEK 2026** takes place on 18th May - 25th May. For further information, please visit [www.epilepsy.ie/content/national-epilepsy-week-2026-epilepsyweek](http://www.epilepsy.ie/content/national-epilepsy-week-2026-epilepsyweek).

### **INTRODUCTION TO MOSAICS:**

LCETB are running a 5-week Introduction to Mosaics course starting Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May in Miltown Malbay Campus. During this course you will develop a basic understanding of the process of Mosaic and learn how to use the tools, equipment and materials correctly. For more information or to book a place phone 086 0319160 or email [arlene.doris@lacetb.ie](mailto:arlene.doris@lacetb.ie)

### **SUPPER & SONG WITH LUKA BLOOM –**

Christ Church Fundraiser Date: Sun, 17 May • 17:00

Location: Armada Hotel

Fundraiser event for the Christ Church Spanish Point. Join us for a delicious meal and sweet tunes with Luka Bloom. ALL FUNDS DONATED. Christ Church, Spanish Point, Fundraiser Event 5.00pm - Guests arrive at Armada Hotel for a two-course meal with a glass of wine per person. (Meal kindly sponsored by the Armada) 6:00 / 6:30pm – take a stroll the 15mins to Christ Church, or avail of Shuttle Transport 7:00pm – Performance begins with Luka Bloom (kindly donated). Ticket Price - €65 There are no costs associated with this event, all of the ticket price will go towards the ongoing repair & maintenance of this church. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/supper-song-with-luka-bloom-christ-church-fundraiser-tickets> 1984137573895

### **Kind Kitchen @ Design Bank**

May Bank Holiday Weekend our Pop up Food Court Opens

- **7 days a week – 11am - 6pm (May-September)**
- **A variety of talented cooks**
- **Delicious Street Food using local produce**
- **Comfy seating & a great atmosphere awaits!**
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### **UNDERSTANDING GRIEF & LOSS:**

Bereavement Support Education Programme (BSEP) Milford Care Centre: Are you interested in developing your understanding of grief? For over 25 years, Milford Care Centre has provided a dedicated space for individuals to learn how to effectively support those experiencing loss. The Information Evening: Join us to learn about the course modules, meet the facilitators, and ask any questions you may have. • Date: Wednesday, 13th May 2026 • Time: 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM • Location: Education Department, Milford Care Centre • No booking required for this evening.

### **JOANIE MADDENS MAY DAY FESTIVAL**

**May 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup>**

Opening Concert Friday 1<sup>st</sup> of May in the Community Centre “The voices of Ireland” featuring Don Stiffe, Ger O’Donnell and Trevor Sexton. Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> of May Cherish the Ladies in the Community Centre. Please support.

### **BLOOD DONOR CLINIC:**

**Ennistymon Falls Hotel**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May 4:50pm – 8:10pm

Phone 1800 222 111 for appointment

New donors are always welcome.

Former UK residents now eligible to donate.

**BEST OF LUCK** to Conor Cleary and the Clare Team on this week-end.

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

**BASKET COLLECTION** 26/4/2026 - €1,838

**PARISH OFFICE** will be closed on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May