

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 A 19th April, 2026

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In Miltown Malbay Church

Readers for Next Sunday: 6 p.m. Edel Lynch

12.15 p.m. Mary Jo Fennell Clarke

Next Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Easter Year A

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown: (www.miltownmalbayparish.ie webcam)

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

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

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

MASS: **10.30 a.m. Thursday** in Miltown
(Please note change on Time Thursday)

MASS: **Confirmation Friday in Miltown 2 p.m.**
(No 9.30 a.m. Friday in Miltown)

MASS: **12 o'clock Saturday in Miltown**
For Liam & Noreen Coughlan
(1st Anniversary for Liam)

6pm Saturday – Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

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

Marty Griffin, Killernan

Colin Torpey, Flag Road

Tony Hayes, Dunsallagh

Jack Healy & Deceased Members of
The Healy Family

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 Martin Fox, Glendine who died
during the week and Teresa Chaplow, Lancashire,
England, Niece of the late Betty Hennessy, Ennistymon
Road who died recently.
Rest in Peace Martin and Teresa

REFLECTION:

The road to Emmaus is not a road of the past.
It is an everyday road.
Someone is still walking along beside us
explaining the scriptures to us
breaking bread with us
and then vanishing from our sight.

And we are still rather slow about
recognizing what's happening
in the breaking of the bread and that's
because we are slow about trusting.

It takes so long to be a Church.
We seem unable to trust the struggle
as divine and even in the struggle
to cry out:
It is the Lord!

We long to recognize Christ before we trust
the stranger he sends down our road,
and so often we miss the blessing.

It is not that we're on the wrong road.
It is rather that we fail to trust
and recognize strangers.

The road we walk each day is
the road to Emmaus.

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.

CONFIRMATION: We warmly Congratulate all our
Young People who will receive Confirmation on Friday
next 24th April at 2p.m. in Miltown Church. Sincere
thanks to Mr. O'Reilly and Mr. Burke for their
wonderful preparation of the Young People. Sincere
thanks also to Mrs Lynch and Mrs Cotter for the music.

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.

READING FOR WELLNESS LAUNCH:

The launch of the Reading for Wellness Programme will take place on 29th April 2026, from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, in Cultúrlann Sweeney Library, Kilkee, Co. Clare. The event will feature contributions from Cillian Keane (Mental Health Ireland), Author Roisin Meaney and Lauretta O’Dea, and Shanelle Waring from the Clare Age Friendly Programme, highlighting the role of reading in supporting mental health and wellbeing.

Spring Into Storytime at Miltown Library:

Throughout April, we’re continuing with our Spring Into Storytime theme at Miltown library. Join us on Wednesday 22nd April at 10.00 am for Scéalta agus Rannta le Ceri which is a storytime and rhyme session in Irish for young children with their parent or guardian. On Saturday morning 25th April at 11.00am, author Roisin Meaney will host her storytime at the library with her stories and illustrations in her own unique style. Suitable from 3 -6 years of age. Both events are free and further details can be obtained by ringing 065-7084822 or email: miltown@clarelibrary.ie

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.

MONSTER BINGO in aid of Kilmurry Ibrickane Parish and Kilmurry Ibrickane Ladies Football Club on Tuesday 21st of April at 8.30 p.m. in the Armada Hotel, Spanish Point. Prize money €5,000 pro rata. Please support.

CONCERT: The Triskel Ensemble with soprano Helen Hancock will perform an uplifting concert of musical theatre, opera, Irish airs, movie themes, and popular classical music. Helen Hancock is a Galway-based soprano, acclaimed for her expressive artistry and for the warm rapport she creates with the audience. Saturday 25th April 2026 at 8pm at St Columba’s Church, Bindon Street, Ennis. Tickets €22 general admission and €10 children, plus booking fee <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/1982685059385?aff=oddtcreat> or

POP UP SHOP:

Pop Up Shop Miltown Malbay Community Centre on Saturday April 25th from 10am to 4pm with 20 stands selling Womens, Mens and Childrens clothing. Cafe open throughout the day serving home baked cakes and pastries, tea and coffee - with proceeds going to the Irish Guide dogs. Please come out and support this concept which is to support sustainability by reducing, reusing and recycling.

FIRST COMMUNION: Congratulations to all our Children from Miltown, Rineen and Rockmount who received First Communion on this week-end. Sincere thanks to Ms. Lynch, Mr. Garrahy and Ms. O’Neill for their wonderful preparations of the Children. Thanks also to Mrs. Lynch and Mrs. Cotter for the music.

BURREN & CLIFFS EXPLORER SHUTTLE BUS

Public Information evenings

The Burren & Cliffs Explorer shuttle bus service is to return for the 2026 season. Clare County Council and NPWS are inviting residents, businesses, and key stakeholders to share their views to help shape the future of the initiative at an information evening on the service. The information sessions will take place in Miltown Malbay Community Centre on Wednesday, April 22, and The Burren Visitor Centre in Kilfenora on Thursday, April 23, with both sessions running from 5.30pm to 6.30pm

The free shuttle bus service is set to commence this year on Thursday, May 21 and will run until Sunday, September 20. It will serve Ballyvaughan, Corofin, Carran, Kilfenora, Doolin, Liscannor, and Lahinch, as well as Lisdoonvarna and Miltown Malbay. The scheduled service will also connect passengers with key attractions including the Burren National Park and the Cliffs of Moher Experience. New for this year is the inclusion of Ennistymon and Spanish Point.

NEW CANDLELIT CONCERT SERIES –

Miltown Malbay: The Irish Traditional Music Archive presents a new intimate concert series, *Down the Back Lane*, at the Music Makers of West Clare. Mick & Michelle Mulcahy perform on **Saturday, April 25th** (doors 7pm). **Tickets €20** at itma.ie/events **Limited to 35 seats**

UPCOMING EVENTS @DESIGN BANK Silverworks -

Forge a Silver Ring Workshop – Friday, April 24th *2nd Date Added Limited Spaces €89 per person Take home your own textured Sterling Silver ring Book your spot by email enquiries@silverworks.ie or by phone (01) 6751818

More Exciting News!! 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!

May Workshops: Embroidery with Jean Moran

Lampshade Making with Laura Vaughan (Details to follow).

And don’t forget our weekly Saturday Food Market continues with delicious Food, Live Music and Sit & Sketch for kids – 11am – 2pm

CONGRATULATIONS to Local Girl, Abi Kelly on her selection for the under 18 and a half Irish Rugby team for the 6 Nations Tournament which was held in England recently. Abi played well showing her skills and did herself and her family proud. Well done Abi

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

MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 999 OR 112 SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749 BASKET COLLECTION 12/4/2026 - €1,765