

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH MILTOWN MALBAY ST. MARY'S CHURCH MOY
CRÍOCHA CALLAN PASTORAL AREA

CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH SPANISH POINT

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 17th October, 2021

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In Miltown Malbay Church

Readers for Next Sunday: 6 p.m. Kara Foran

12.15 p.m. Mary Jo Fennell Clarke

Next Sunday is the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B (Mission Sunday)

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown: (www.miltownmalbayparish.ie webcam)

Monday: Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

MASS: 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday

MASS: **6 p.m.** for Pauline Gallery, Ballard Road (1st Anniversary)

MASS: **12.15 p.m. Sunday** for P.J. Doyle, formerly of Spanish Point and Newry, Co. Down

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

SYMPATHY to Bishop Fintan on the death of his Mother Peg during the week, May her Gentle Soul Rest in Peace.

PRAYER TO ST. ROCH:

St. Roch by the ministry of an Angel, God gave you a promise engraved on a Tablet, that whoever would invoke your name, would be preserved from all contagious diseases and illnesses. St. Roch pray for us that we may be preserved from all contagious diseases and illnesses – especially the Corona Virus.

HARVEST MASS: Our Harvest Mass will take place next Saturday 23rd October at 6 p.m.

MISSION SUNDAY: Next Sunday is Mission Sunday.

We remember all Missionaries from our Parish and beyond who are working on Mission Fields in some of the poorest parts of the World. We remember men and women who work with Trócaire, Goal and Concern in alleviating poverty. On next weekend we have an opportunity to contribute to the work of missionaries in Africa, Asia and Latin America. Envelopes are in our boxes for this collection – please be as generous as you can.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Friday in St. Joseph's Church from 10.30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

CHILDREN WITH AUTISM ATTENDING MASS:

A Sensory Kit is available in each church for children attending Mass with autism. Please come to the sacristy before Mass to receive the kit. We thank Susan Crawford for making the kit available.

REFLECTION:

The request that Jesus refused to grant

James and John were two opportunists. Their one aim was to rise in the ranks. To achieve their end they did not hesitate to beg. They did not mind how much envy and resentment they aroused in their companions. Their aim was to scramble up the career ladder. But at what price to themselves? If in the course of their rise to the top, people lose themselves, their own souls, whatever they do or achieve will be worthless. Power hardens the human heart. A hard-hearted person is incapable of love. It is by giving that we receive, And it is by serving that we grow in love.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL:

We are delighted to announce that once again St. Joseph's N.S. Miltown Malbay is the local drop off centre for the Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal. **The 8th of November is the cutoff date**, all shoeboxes should be dropped to St. Joseph's N.S. on or before that date. For further information on this very worthy, seasonal Appeal please log on to www.teamhope.ie Information leaflets are available in school and all our eldest of families will be receiving one of these. We hope that each of our students will be able to donate at least one shoebox this year. A € donation is given with each shoebox to cover the cost of promotion, transport and delivering of the shoeboxes. For any further information please contact Trish in the school office 065-7084414.

BLESSING OF GRAVES – 31st October

2 p.m. in Ballard

3.30 p.m. in Kilfarboy

WAR OF INDEPENDENCE COMMEMORATION IN MULLAGH

There is a War of Independence commemoration planned for Sunday October 17th in Mullagh, outside the church gates after 11am Mass. This will include the unveiling of a plaque, the laying of a wreath and a roll of honour. This commemoration is in memory of the Volunteers of the 4th Battalion West Clare Brigade, Irish Republican Army 1919-1921, from A /Company Mullagh, B/Company Coore, C/Company Knocknahilla, D/Company Kilmurry Ibrickane, E/Company Quilty and their comrades in Cumann na mBán. The keynote speaker will be Eoin Shanahan author of 'The hand that held the gun'. All are welcome to attend as we remember and commemorate the great fortitude, strength and spirit of these brave men and women, our own predecessors and those of our neighbours one hundred years later.

DECADE OF CENTENARIES : Oidhreacht an Chláir presents a lecture, *The War of Independence: events in Miltown Malbay and district, 1920-21* by Dr Pádraig Óg Ó Ruairc tonight, Saturday, October 16 at 8.00pm in the Community Centre, The talk will examine some of the key events of the War of Independence in Milltown Malbay and the surrounding district, including "The Canada Cross Massacre" in April 1920, the Rineen Ambush, the murder of Charles Lynch, the assassination of Constable Stanley Moore and the IRA's execution and "disappearance" of two British soldiers from the Royal Scots Regiment. Admission is free. Fáilte roimh chách. Vaccination certificate required. The event will be chaired by Michael Hennessy. As part of this commemorative project, which is supported by the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media under the Community Strand of the *Decade of Centenaries* programme, through Clare Co. Council, we shall also make, as a historical record for future generations, a video recording (with commentary) of the eight houses in Miltown attacked and burnt by Crown Forces in the reprisals of 1920 and 1921.

CLARE SUICIDE BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT - Are you finding it difficult to cope with a death by suicide of a family member, relative or friend? It may help to talk to a Clare Suicide bereavement Support Volunteer. We offer confidential and free support to people who have experienced a death by suicide. Please phone or text 086 0565373 or 087 3698315

Thursday, 21st October 2021 and every Thursday for the coming 7 weeks. 'Irish Sign Language, 8 week basic course'. Lesson 1. – A Healthy Ireland at your Library event.

Online event 6pm – 7pm

This Basic Sign Language course is taught by fully qualified ISL teachers and will give you a foundation to the language. The lessons will focus on your understanding of ISL as well as your ability to sign basic vocabulary and sentences, and there will be a certificate of attendance issued by the Irish Deaf Society upon successful completion of the course." Free event for people throughout Co Clare aged 18+. **Places are limited, booking is essential.** In order to take part, participants will require remote access to Zoom. Please book your place by emailing kilrush@clarelibrary.ie or by calling Kilrush Library on 065 9051504 during branch opening hours.

"WALKING TOGETHER" In these days, the Catholic Church throughout the world and in Ireland is beginning a series of conversations about what God wants of his people at this time. These conversations are often referred to as a Synodal Process. "Synodal" comes from a Greek word which means "walking together".

This Sunday, 17th October we mark the opening of this Synodal Process entitled, For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission. This Synodal Process coincides with the start of the two-year Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland which will lead, in time, to a National Synodal Assembly in Ireland.

We pray that the next two years will be a time of prayer, listening and discernment, involving a consultative conversation. This will allow all people - both within the Church and in society at large,

to share their insights into the Catholic Church in Ireland – past, present and future – so that we can prepare for a National Synodal Assembly in the coming years.

Pope Francis has asked us to pray continually for the success of this synodal process. He asks that we use the words of a very ancient prayer attributed to St Isidore of Seville who lived in the 6th century. This prayer has been used at Councils and Synods of the Church since ancient times. This is the prayer:

**We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us,
make yourself at home in our hearts;**

**Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.**

**We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.**

**Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.**

**Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.**

**All this we ask of You,
Who are at work in every place and time
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen**

FCJ Spirituality House, Spanish Point: A gentle haven by the sea offering welcome and support on our spiritual journeys.

As we establish this new opportunity here in Spanish Point, we are offering a mix of events to welcome all in and to support people in a variety of ways. Here are details of events planned for November. Advent events will be shared soon! In order to ensure a pleasant and safe time for all, we ask people to book their place, even for free events. We appreciate your patience in this. Some events have no charge and others have a suggested donation – please don't let cost be a deciding factor, you are first and foremost welcome. Contact Noirin with any questions at the links below. Thank you.

- *A welcome Cup of Tea – Wednesdays in November, various times, no charge. Call by for coffee, cake and a short introduction to our new Spirituality House on the coast.*
- *Morning Meditation – Tuesday 10am and Thursday 10:30 am for 30 minutes, no charge.*
- *Sat, Nov 6th 10-4pm: Resilience through story – A Saturday workshop on finding hope in old stories and creating new stories of our own!*
- *Tues, Nov 9th, 7-9pm: From Fleece to Flowers - An evening of light hearted craft, conversation and creativity! No experience needed.*
- *Sat, Nov 13th 2-5pm: Stillness by the Sea – An Introduction to Centering Prayer with Fionnuala Quinn OP, including 2 follow up group zoom sessions to deepen practise.*
- *Sat, Nov 20th, 10 – 4pm: Introduction to Somatics: Discover inner awareness through somatic movements. A gentle day of reconnection with people, places, & most of all self. Hand massage therapy will be part of the day also. This workshop is suitable for those with mild injuries*

All welcome. Book your place at

<https://bit.ly/2X7uxn8> or email

info@fcjspiritualityhouse.ie or call by! (V95E0W7)

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BASKET COLLECTION – 10/10/2021 - €1,855