

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

CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH SPANISH POINT

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 17th January, 2021

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In Miltown Malbay Church

Readers for Next Sunday: 6 p.m. Martina Murphy
12.15 p.m. Mary Jo Fennell Clarke

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown

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

Saturday: **Mass 6 p.m.** for P.J. Madigan, Athlone
Co. Westmeath & Moy (Months Mind)

Sunday: **Mass 12.15 p.m. – Grouped Anniversary**
Masses

Tommy Skerritt

Austin Burke, Knockliscrane

MASS ON CLARE FM each Sunday at 9 a.m.

SYMPATHY: Our prayers are asked for the Repose of
the Soul of Paul Sexton, Dublin and formerly of Ballard
who died in Dublin last week-end.

Rest in Peace Paul

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. Amen

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH COMMISSIONS

The annual collection for the various Church
Commissions e.g. Justice & Peace Commission,
Prisoners Overseas Group, Cura, Marriage
Tribunals, Youth Committees, etc. is being taken
up this week-end. Envelopes are in our boxes.

SAMARITANS

Samaritans Ennis and Clare are currently
recruiting new volunteers. Everybody is welcome
to apply. For information please log on
to volunteer.samaritans.org, text 085 176 3491 or
email samaritansrecruitmentennis@gmail.com.

REFLECTION: God's Call

God's call is mysterious;
it comes in the darkness of faith.
it is so fine, so subtle,
that it is only with the deepest silence within us
that we can hear it.
And yet nothing is surer or stronger,
nothing is so decisive and overpowering
as that call.
This call is uninterrupted:
God is always calling us.

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.

MOTHER AND BABY HOMES REPORT

It has been a harrowing week for many people hearing
the stories that have come out of the Mother and Baby
Homes. A phrase from John's Gospel comes to mind
for me "They put her out there in full view of
everybody". We put women who got pregnant outside
of marriage out there in full view of everybody
where were the men? We cast judgment on them and
forced them into semi prison conditions. The Gospel
of Jesus Christ would never have condoned any of that.
Jesus looked on people with compassion and
forgiveness and sought always to being God's
compassion to every situation. The damage done to
the women and their children cannot be rectified, it is
too late. As a church maybe it would be good if we
said sorry to all those women and children who we
have hurt so badly and we need as a church to make
sure the dignified burial of all children who died in
these institutions and to make redress to the women
whose lives have been blighted so badly by those
awful days. It's the least they deserve.

CHURCH UNITY WEEK 18 – 25th January is Church Unity Week a week when we are invited to reflect on and pray for unity among Christians.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday 22nd January in Miltown Church from 10.30 a.m. – 3 p.m.

JANUARY GROUPED ANNIVERSARY

MASSES IN MILTOWN

Saturday 16th Jan. 6 p.m. Sunday 24th Jan. 12.15pm

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE: Anybody experiencing Domestic Violence please contact 065-6822435

DR. BILLY O'CONNELL

Dr. Billy is retiring after wonderful service to so many people over all the years. At our Pastoral Council meeting we decided to ask people to write a short message to Dr. Billy to wish him well or to say what he meant to you as a Doctor. You can e-mail your message to donaghomeara@gmail.com or you can put it in an envelope and drop it into the collection box at the church porch in Moy or Miltown Church. We ask you to do this by Monday 8th of February. The Pastoral Council will put the messages together and put them in a booklet for Dr. Billy.

ST. BRIGID'S CROSSES

We are asking people to make St. Brigid's Crosses, we appeal to the young and not so young who can make them. We are especially appealing to 5th and 6th Class and our Secondary School Students. If you can make one we ask you to drop it off in the Church Porch in Moy or Miltown in the Box provided after Sanitising by Wednesday 27th of January. The crosses will be given out to Parishioners.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm by calling **0818 222 024**

ST. JOSEPH'S MILTOWN MALBAY GAA CLUB:

Whenever we needed your support you were there. Now it's our turn to return your loyalty. Our four coordinators are Conor Cleary, Seán O'Brien, Ger Malone & Jamesie O'Connor. Give them a call: Conor (085) 1737643
Seán (087) 7742153
Gerard (087) 7455960
Jamesie (085) 8165211
Or just message and we will do our best to help!

CLARE SPORTS PARTNERSHIP:

Banner Buddies is a Programme of 150 Minutes Exercise for 8 weeks. Join with your Husband/Wife/Partner/Housemate. What's Involved

- 3 x 30 Minute walking/exercise sessions weekly
- 2 online workout sessions weekly from some of the best personal trainers in Clare
- Podcasts in Motivation, Nutrition, use of fitness tracker
- Supports through private facebook and strava group

Open to all abilities 16 years+

Register at www.claresports.ie

All activities can be completed within 5km restrictions and activities are in line with government Covid level 5 guidelines for exercise.

READING GLASSES:

Pair of Men's Reading Glasses found in Side Aisle of Church. The glasses are stored in a cloth holding case. Owner can have same by calling to the Parish office.

AGE ACTION – FOR ALL OLDER PEOPLE

Now more than ever it is important to have internet skills and to keep in touch with family and friends so Age Action is offering 5 hours of free remote tutoring by phone / video call to help older people use their smartphone, computer, tablet or ipad. The programme called **Getting Started KIT** takes place in your own home at a time that suits you and includes a free guide. For further information call 091527831 or gettiingstartedgalway@ageaction.ie.

THE WEST CLARE MINI MARATHON IS GOING VIRTUAL.

Following Covid 19 guidelines take to the roads in your own region on the 30th and 31st January. Register on line at westclarecancercentre.ie/getinvolved. Stay Safe

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