

**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH MILTOWN MALBAY ST. MARY'S CHURCH MOY
CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH SPANISH POINT**

First Sunday of Advent

Year C

2nd December, 2018

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In Miltown Malbay Church:

Exposition of the

Blessed Sacrament: Every Tuesday from 10.30 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Prayer Group: Wednesday evening 6 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room

Readers for **6.00 p.m.** Maura O'Sullivan

Next Sunday: **12.15 p.m.** John G. Devitt

Next Sunday is the Second Sunday of Advent Year C Friday is the First Friday of December

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown

Monday: 10 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Mass: 10 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday

Vigil Mass Friday at 6 p.m. for Feast of the Immaculate Conception – **Please note no 10 a.m. Mass on Friday**

Saturday: **Mass 6 p.m.** for Michael Barry, formerly of Illane who died in Sydney (Months Mind) and his Mother Maura Barry whose 30th Anniversary occurs at this time

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

Madge Sexton & Paddy Hehir
Patrick O'Brien, Dunsallagh East
Patricia O'Connor, Rineen

Moy: **Reader for Next Sunday: Melissa Harhen**

Saturday: **Mass 10 a.m.** – Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Sunday: Mass 10 a.m.

Christ Church Spanish Point

Sunday: Morning Service 9.45 a.m. Sunday 9th December

REMEMBRANCE: We express our sympathy to the O'Friel Family on the death of Máire Byrne née O'Friel who died during the week in Dublin and to the Kerin Family on the death of Nancy Barry, née Kerin, Ennistymon Road who died during the week in England. Funeral taking place in England.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:

Vigil Mass for the Feast on Friday 7th December at 6 p.m. in Miltown
On the 8th December there will be Mass in Moy at 10 a.m. & in Miltown at 6 p.m.
Mass in Mullagh at 11 a.m. on 8th December

There will be no Mass in Miltown at 12.15 a.m. on 8th December

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: There will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council on Thursday 6th December at 8 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room.

COMMUNITY LED LITURGY: Gathering of the group who have done the training for Community Led Liturgy on Thursday 6th December at 7 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room.

MASS SERVERS: MILTOWN MALBAY

Saturday 8th Dec. 6 p.m. Mass Group D Sunday 9th Dec. Mass Group D2

DECEMBER GROUPEd ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN MILTOWN

December 1st Saturday 6 p.m. December 9th Sunday **12.15p.m.**
December 15th Saturday 6 p.m. December 23rd Sunday **12.15p.m.**

DECEMBER GROUPEd ANNIVERSARY MASSES IN MOY

December 2nd Sunday 10 a.m. December 16th Sunday 10 a.m.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL: Your local conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul would like to ask for your help once again in providing Christmas Hampers for those in need in the local area. On the 4 weekends of Advent a box will be in place in the Church porches into which you can put Non - Perishable food items. In the interest of health and safety we would ask you not to include food items that are out of date. Thank you for your support St Anne's Conference.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL MILTOWN 086 2168749

MILTOWN MALBAY/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065-7050199

POST-COMMUNION REFLECTION

The weeks of Advent prepare for Christmas, all we associate with Christmas prepares us for Jesus, for his birth in the love of Mary and Joseph. All of us can be like John the Baptist, preparing a room for Jesus Christ in our families, among friends, in schools and workplaces, preparing a room in our hearts for love. Or Christmas weeks can be like empty tinsel, singing the songs of Christmas and forgetting the birth, or playing Santa and pretending love, or being so busy that you wish it was already over.

But it need not be like this.

Allow times these days for prayer, for moments taken in a busy day, like stopping in the heavy traffic and just remembering that Jesus is near. Take time for friendship, for love, for care, for those activities that grow our friendship and love with the people who mean a lot. Then the songs will be full and gifts will be a reminder of love, and Santa, the friend of children, will be like the Christ-child. Donal Neary SJ

MILTOWN FOOTBALLERS: Whitney Houston said "Give me one moment in time when I am more than I thought I could be" we have had many wonderful moments during the Summer like that. We are grateful to the Club, the Players, the Mentors and all who made the winning of the "Jack Daly" possible and for all the great moments of enjoyment during the year. Míle Buíochas do gach Dhuine.

FAMILY TIME AT YOUR LIBRARY: Children and parents are invited to visit Dr. Patrick J. Hillery library on Saturday 8th December at 11.00am together, to read Christmas stories from our large Christmas book collection. This will be followed by a fun **cup-cake decorating** session for children (parents help appreciated!). Tea/coffee available for all weary adults and some sweet treats! For further information phone (065) 7084822.

ST. JOSEPH'S GAA MILTOWN LOTTO: Jackpot €6,600. No winner. Numbers Drawn 19,21,24,27. 5 Lucky dip winners - €30 each: James Crowe, Anne Talty, Margaret Meade, Stephanie Hennessy & Eileen Cleary. Next week Jackpot €6,700.

BUS TO KNOCK for the night vigil on 7th Dec.2018. Contact (086) 1943960.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION: Saint Vincent de Paul will be conducting their Giving Sunday Church Gate Collection on Saturday 8th December and Sunday 9th December. The funds raised will be spent in this community helping those who need it most with food, heating and education costs. We rely almost entirely on the support of you, the generous parishioners, so please continue to support us. Thank you in advance St Anne's Conference

INSTRUMENTAL CAROL RECITAL on Sunday 9th Dec 1pm to 2pm in St Joseph's Church, Miltown Malbay (directly after 12.15 Mass). Come and enjoy a cup of tea after Mass and listen to an hour of Christmas Carols performed by traditional musicians from Ceol na nÓg Music School. All are welcome. Admission Free.

