

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

**CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH SPANISH POINT**

**First Sunday of Lent Year B 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2021**

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**In Miltown Malbay Church**

**Readers for Next Sunday:** 6 p.m. Anne Downes  
12.15 p.m. Mary Jo Fennell Clarke

**Next Sunday is the Second Sunday of Lent Year B**

**LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:**

**Miltown**

**MASS:** **10 a.m.** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday  
& Friday  
([www.miltownmalbayparish.ie](http://www.miltownmalbayparish.ie) webcam)

**Saturday:** **Mass 6 p.m.** for Jim Burke, Church Street  
(Months Mind)

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

Michael Cleary, 'Dunvarna' Spanish Point  
Michael, Margaret & Gerald Cleary,  
Ennis Road  
Kevin Barry, Illane  
Vera & Josie Downes, Dunsallagh &  
Deceased Members of the O'Gorman &  
Downes Families  
John & Bridget Curtin, Knockbrack

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

**REMEMBRANCE:** Our prayers are asked for the  
repose of the Soul of Mary Carroll, née Reddan,  
formerly of the Bog Road who died recently in  
America. Rest in Peace Mary

**NATIONAL ADORATION INITIATIVE FOR**  
**LENT:**

We are asked to do 1 hr. Adoration each day or night in  
your own home from Ash Wednesday – Good Friday  
not your usual adoration hr. If you commit please  
Text Fidelma (086 2603421) – Name, County, Choice  
of hr. and mobile number. Important to give mobile  
number as daily Prayer Text will be sent to you. Please  
commit to 1 hr. and we will be all united through prayer.  
Jesus fasted for 40 days.

**HOLY COMMUNION:**

If you would like Holy Communion for a family  
member during these difficult times, please contact  
Fr. Donagh and he can arrange for you to collect it and  
bring it to your family member at this time.

**LENTEN REFLECTION:**

Heavenly Father, this Lent we ask your grace –  
To fast from judging others and feast on what makes  
them special,  
To fast from unkind words and feast on kindness,  
To fast from jealousy and feast on offering  
compliments,  
To fast from getting angry and feast on being patient,  
To fast from worry and feast on trusting God,  
To fast from complaining and feast on gratitude,  
To fast from negative thoughts and feast on positive  
ones,  
To fast from nastiness and feast on friendliness,  
To fast from greed and feast on giving,  
To fast from envy and feast on congratulating,  
To fast from conflict and feast on understanding,  
To fast from selfishness and feast on helping others,  
To fast from doubt and feast on faith,  
To fast from holding grudges and feast on forgiveness,  
To fast from gloominess and feast on happiness,  
To fast from discouragement and feast on hope  
Pause for a moment

**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

**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.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Feb. in Miltown Church from 10.30am - 3pm

### **PRIESTS LENTEN COLLECTION:**

The Lenten Collection for the Priests of the Parish is being taken up this week-end. Envelopes are in our boxes.

### **CONFIRMATION:**

Confirmation for the Children of Rockmount, Rineen and Moy National Schools will take place at 11 a.m. on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

Confirmation for the Children of Miltown N.S. will take place at 11 a.m. on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

These two dates are provisional and may be subject to change again.

### **LENTEN TALKS:**

For the Season of Lent we will have two talks on the Web.

Tuesday March 9<sup>th</sup> Fr. Michael Conway, Professor of Culture in Maynooth will reflect on the impact of Covid on Faith in these times.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> of March Martina Lehane Sheehan will do an input on Meditation with a focus on Lent.

### **REMOTE LEARNING FOR SENIOR CITIZENS:**

**AGE ACTION** is offering five hours of free remote tutoring by phone or video call to help older people use their smart phones, computer, tablet or I Pad. The programme called "getting started" takes place in your own home and is **free** of charge. For more information contact 096 527831.

**WEDNESDAYS ON THE WEB** will continue this Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 8 p.m. Each Wednesday night local people will entertain us with music. Please join us on the Miltown Malbay Parish Webcam [www.miltownmalbayparish.ie](http://www.miltownmalbayparish.ie) or on the Radio 105.2fm. You also might inform people living away from home who might like to log on.

### **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**

### **SCHOOL ENROLMENT:**

St. Joseph's N.S. Miltown Malbay is now enrolling new students for Sept. 2021. Enrolment Forms can be downloaded from our website: [www.stjosephsmm.ie](http://www.stjosephsmm.ie) and posted to the school. For any enquiries please contact Aidan Looney on 087- 6909605

### **CLOTHES RECYCLING:**

St. Joseph's N.S. Miltown Malbay is holding a clothes recycling collection on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Items for recycling include: clothing, household linen, sheets, blankets, curtains, shoes, handbags. No duvets or underwear please. Items to be in clean condition. Please drop your recycling bags to the main door of the school or into the bicycle shelter on or before March 15<sup>th</sup>. Contact Aidan on 087-6909605.

**ROCKMOUNT NS** is now enrolling for September 2021. Please email:

[rockmountnationalschool@gmail.com](mailto:rockmountnationalschool@gmail.com)

for further information.

### **ST. PATRICK'S DAY VIRTUAL EVENT:**

Clare County Council invites Clare people at home/abroad to take part, by recording and submitting a performance, prizes to be won. For more details see [www.clarecoco.ie](http://www.clarecoco.ie).

**RINEEN N.S.** Enrolment Forms for Parents who wish to enrol their child in Rineen NS are now available and can be downloaded from our school website. Alternatively you can email the school at [rineenschool@gmail.com](mailto:rineenschool@gmail.com) and request an enrolment form. Or you can ring Michael on 086 3352159.

### **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION COURSE LED BY**

**CÁIT** on Thursdays of Lent beginning on Thurs Feb 18<sup>th</sup> 2-230pm on [www.kibparish.ie](http://www.kibparish.ie) view webcam. This is an ancient way of meditation began by the Desert Fathers in the early Christian centuries. Tune in to learn and experience this beautiful way of prayer /meditation. Any questions Contact Cáit on What's App 0864534466. Beannacht Mor Oraibh.

### **MILTOWN MALBAY LIBRARY:**

Clare Reads: The book... 'This is Happiness' by Niall Williams is a Keep Well and an Ireland Reads initiative to encourage reading in the community, leading up to a national day of reading on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February. We are encouraging everyone to get involved and commit to reading on that day through the website [www.irelandreads.ie](http://www.irelandreads.ie). Miltown Malbay library have a limited number of free copies of this book available for anyone who might like to get involved in this initiative or who simply might like a copy of the book. Please contact the library at 065-7084822 or [miltown@clarelibrary.ie](mailto:miltown@clarelibrary.ie) and we can arrange delivery to you.

**MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065 7050199**  
**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749**  
**BASKET COLLECTION** – 14/02/2021 = €1,030