

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

CHURCH OF IRELAND – CHRIST CHURCH SPANISH POINT

Fifth Sunday of Easter Year B 2nd May, 2021

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In Miltown Malbay Church

Readers for Next Sunday:

6 p.m. Caroline O'Rourke

12.15 p.m. John G. Devitt

Next Sunday is the Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B

Friday is the First Friday of May

LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK:

Miltown: (www.miltownmalbayparish.ie webcam)

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

MASS: **6 p.m. Saturday** – **Grouped Anniversary**
Masses

Gerry Crowley, Dunsallagh

John & Mary Flannery & their Son John,
The Crescent

Jim Cogan, Mullagh Road

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

Pat Curtin & Deceased Members of the
Curtin Family, Dunsallagh

Colm O'Gorman & Deceased Members of
The O'Gorman Family, St. Joseph's Tce.

Marty Griffin, Killernan & Deceased
Members of the Griffin Family

Jim Gammell, Spanish Point and Deceased
Family Members

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

REMEMBRANCE: Our prayers are asked for
the repose of the Souls of Irene Cunningham,
Cappahard Lodge, Ennis and formerly of Dunsallagh
and Michael (Mickey) Flynn, Milford and late of
Church Street, Sixmilebridge both of whom died during
the week.

Rest in Peace Irene and Mickey.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

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

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

REFLECTION:

I want you to imagine in front of you a most wonderful tree.
This tree represents our parish. From its trunk we can tell
its age. Over the years it has weathered many a storm,
including recent times. Many branches are strong and
sturdy, some are worse for wear. Others are young and are
braving the elements.

Each branch represents an area of our parish and of our
belief system. Take a moment to become aware of this tree
and the many different areas in our parish that it symbolises.
Many branches are obvious. Others are tucked away from
sight, but all contribute to the overall grandeur of the tree.
You may wish to stand back from it and admire it
or you may wish to sit under it with your back to the trunk
and feel the massive support therein.

You may find as you look at this tree, its branches, its
leaves, that some of the leaves have withered and turned
brown. There are signs that from time to time branches
have fallen off. Over time many branches have grown old
and decayed and have fallen to the base of the tree. Others
have been cut off. These leaves and branches, though
decayed and rotten, have replenished the earth and nourished
the roots of the tree.

Become aware of the strength that comes with having secure
roots that are constantly being nourished. Nothing is ever
lost. Every idea our parish has had, whether used or
discarded, has led to where we are today and to who we are
today. Many ideas have blown in on the wind.
Some have remained. Others have been blown around
elsewhere, only to be replenished and recycled and to come
back stronger than ever.

Each branch represents some aspect of parish life.
Some are very strong and support smaller branches and
leaves. But all the branches are needed to give this parish
its identity and to support and comfort all who come within
its compass. This tree has room for us all. All of our ideas
and needs will hopefully find support and nourishment here.

The firm trunk represents our faith, which is deeply rooted
in our belief in Jesus Christ and in the scriptures – the Good
News which gives us our depth, and the nourishment and
support that we need. Each new branch and leaf that
appears shows our learning, our growth and our faith
development.

Over the years the shape of the tree has changed. It will need to continue to change, to suit the environment and the needs of the day. It will need to be pruned and fed, so that it, continues to provide the best nourishment and support for those who depend on it.

Similarly, as a parish we too will need to change. We need to be open to new ideas and viewpoints that are different from our own, in order to keep alive and productive the great gift of faith and community that we have here in our parish.

(Anne Daly)

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.

RETURN TO MASS:

From Monday 10th of May, we can return to Mass. Weekday Mass will resume on Tuesday 11th May and our First Weekend will be Saturday 15th/Sunday 16th of May. We look forward to welcoming you back and all measures will be taken to keep you safe. We will give a more detailed breakdown on Safety measures on next weekend.

IRISH RED CROSS:

The local Irish Red Cross have a bus available that takes people all over the County to hospital appointments. It is free of charge to the people of Clare. If you need to go to a hospital appointment or for treatment. Contact James Lafferty 086-8323456.

WEST CLARE CANCER CENTRE:

West Clare Cancer Centre provides support and help to those who have contracted Cancer and are receiving treatment. Services available include transport to hospital for treatment, Counselling Support to Families. Please contact West Clare Cancer Centre for more information 065 9060762.

SAINT VINCENT DePAUL:

Saint Vincent DePaul reaches out to those who are in need in our Community in this difficult time. Please phone 086-2168749.

LOOKING FOR A HOUSE TO RENT:

4 Ladies who intend to take up work in the Miltown Malbay area are looking to rent a house. If you can help please call 087-3119196.

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**

Overseas Volunteers Training Course

September 2021 - Open to all! Viatores Christi, a faith-based development organisation has specialised in the recruitment, training and deployment of overseas volunteers since 1960. VC runs an online volunteer preparation course covering Community Development, Health, Global Awareness, Mission, etc. This is open to all! Once completed, participants can be considered for volunteer roles through VC EU Aid Volunteers #EUAVI programmes. If you want to know more, click [here](#) or visit the News section of our website www.vcvolunteers.ie or email info@viatoreschristi.com

The Triest Community Employment Scheme (sponsored by Brothers of Charity Clare

Services) are currently recruiting, the following positions in the Clare Services: Support Workers, Cleaners and Art & Craft Assistant. Please contact the local DSP Employment Services/Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply for this vacancy or contact - Thomas Gilligan at 065-6823123 / 086 380 9994.

TIDY TOWNS Sráid na Cáthrach is hosting a massive spring clean around all areas of Miltown Malbay on Saturday 8th May between 10am-2pm. Due to covid restrictions its not possible to carry out the work as a group so it is hoped that each household will clean the area in front/ beside their house and along street that they live on. Please contact Niamh 0862219669 should you need bags, gloves, cherry pickers and High Visibility jackets. They will also be available to pick up and return by the benches at the car park on Saturday 8th. Please come along and lend a hand as 'Many hands make light work' and we are all in this to make a difference to our town. Spread the word

CLONBONY HURLING: Clonbony under 7 and 9 hurling for boys and girls begins on 9th May on the AstroTurf at Supervalu. Under 7 training begins at 10am and Under 9 at 11am. All levels of ability welcome. See Clonbony GAA Club Underage Hurling facebook page or contact Declan Rynne on 0833112763 for more information.

Killaloe Diocese Youth Ministry presents a Blessing for All Young People. There will be a Blessing for all young people of the diocese, primary, secondary and college age on Sunday 9th May at 12 noon. It will be available for viewing on www.killaloe-diocese.ie and all diocesan social media platforms including Youtube. There are lovely scenes from Mount Saint Joseph Abbey, Roscrea, Ennis and from Star of the Sea Church, Quilty including scenes by the sea.

MILTOWN/MOY DEFIBRILLATOR 065 7050199
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT de PAUL 086 2168749
BASKET COLLECTION – 25/04/2021 = €90
PARISH OFFICE will be closed Bank Holiday Monday

