

Mallow Parish Newsletter—Sunday, 12th March 2023

Priests of our Parish:

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Confessions:

St. Mary's—

Saturday after 10 a.m. Mass.

Church of the Resurrection—

Friday after 9.15 a.m. Mass

and from 5—6 p.m.



Weekday Masses: St. Mary's—10 a.m. Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Sat.

Church of the Resurrection—9.15 a.m. Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs.

Weekend Masses: St. Mary's Vigil 6.30 p.m. Sunday 8.30 and 11.00 a.m.

Church of the Resurrection: Vigil 7.30 p.m. Sunday 10.00 a.m. and 12 noon.

Jesus leads the woman along a wonderful journey towards a deeper, fuller human life. You can enter the story from the perspective of the woman. Recognise her resistance to growth, her complacency, her evasions, and her eventual acceptance, partial though it was, of Jesus. When have you or others, made a similar journey in your relationship with God? With others? with your own self?

The woman is attracted by what Jesus is saying, but from very human motives: the thought of having water in such a way that she did not have to come and draw it from the well. We can be attracted to Jesus by very mixed motives, some of the them matters of interest—belonging, community, security,...What have been the human motives that have attracted you to faith, prayer, religion, church and that have been steppingstones to a deeper personal relationship with Jesus. Perhaps we can also see the same movement in the growth of some of our human relationships. You can also enter the story with Jesus, the ideal leader, parent, teacher, or spiritual guide. Notice how he meets the woman where she is, needing her assistance, how he is patient with her, but also challenges her to grow to what she is capable of.

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Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent We have been reading the Gospel of Matthew up to now this year. Today, and for the next two Sundays, we read the Gospel of John. Today we hear about Jesus meeting the woman at the well in Samaria (John 4). Next Sunday we will hear about Jesus curing the blind man (John 9) and two weeks from now we will hear about Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead (John 11). These three characters in the Gospel of John—the woman offered living water by Jesus at the well, the blind man healed, and Lazarus raised up—remind us of what happens to us in baptism. We receive the living water of the Holy Spirit like the woman, we receive the light of Jesus like the blind man, and raising Lazarus reminds us we are promised eternal life by Jesus. We read these Gospels in Lent because tens of thousands of adults around the world will be baptised during the Easter Vigil.

Upcoming Station Mass—Carrigoon, Parkadillane, Oliver's Cross, Keatley's Close, Castleheights, Aldworth Heights, at the home of John and Marie Lane, Friday, 24th March—Mass at 7.30 p.m.

Notices—

1. Stations of the Cross—in St. Mary's this Sunday 5—6 p.m.
2. **Friday 17th March., Feast of St. Patrick, Masses as follows—**
St. Mary's., Vigil Mass of the Feast—Thurs. 16th Mar.—6.30 p.m.,
Feast Day., Fri, 17th Mar.—8.30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Church of the Resurrection—Feast Day., 17th Mar.—10 a.m. and 12 noon.
The 10 a.m. Mass in Church of the Resurrection will be in Irish.
Annual Emigrant Chaplaincy collection will be taken up at all Masses on St. Patrick's Day.
Please note: No Evening Mass for Lent on Friday 17th March in St. Mary's.
3. **Additional Mass during Lent this week**—Wed., Church of the Resurrection—7.30 p.m.
4. **Lectio Divina**— will be lead by Tiernan Burke (Seminararian) on seven consecutive Mondays, concluding on Mon. 3rd April., in Mallow Parish Centre at 7—8 p.m. Everyone welcome. The Gospel texts will be those of the Sundays of Lent.
5. **Southside Tea/Coffee Morning**—Join us for our new monthly coffee mornings after 9.15 a.m. Mass (Church of the Resurrection) on Wed., 22nd Mar., in the Arches (a 'buy your own' Event) — sharing a cuppa and a chat to encourage friendship and fellowship in our community. (From the Welcome Subcommittee of Mallow Parish Pastoral Council).
6. The **Parish Pastoral Council** and the **Priests of the Parish** would like to encourage everyone to walk behind the St. Patrick banner in the St. Patrick's Day Parade as a parish group. The Parade will begin at 2 p.m. and we will meet at the small car park in front of Dairygold at approx 1.45 p.m.
7. **Evangelium Ireland** will host its 8th Apologetics Conference for young Catholic adults at All Hallows College, Drumcondra, Dublin 9—Sat., 25th Mar. from 9 a.m.- 6 p.m. Topics include the Development of Christian Doctrine in the thought of John Henry Newman, the Incarnation, the Persecuted Church and the place of Art and Beauty in Evangelisation. Mass—celebrated in the afternoon. Further details and to register—www.evangelium.ie.
8. **Bethany Bereavement Service**—Support for all types of bereavement and losses. Inquiries 086 3918751.
9. East Cork Choral Society Concert—Elijah by Mendelssohn in Cork City Hall, benefit concert for Marymount Hospice—Sat., 25th March, 8 p.m. Tickets available from Pro Musica, Eventbrite and from society members.
10. Catholic newspapers are on sale after Mass.

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Opening hours—Monday—Friday 9 a.m.-10 a.m., 10.30—1 p.m., 2—5 p.m.

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