

THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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FEAST OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD ~ 12TH MAY 2024

MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St Mary's Church, Mallow

Saturday (vigil): 6.30pm
Sunday: 8.30am & 11.00am
Monday – Saturday: 10.00am
Confessions Saturday after 10.30am Mass

Church of the Resurrection, Mallow

Saturday (vigil): 7.30pm
Sunday: 10.00am & 12.00pm
Monday – Friday: 9.15am
Confessions Friday after 9.15am Mass

St John the Baptist, Burnfort

Sunday 11.30am
Thursday 9.30am

St Michael the Archangel, Analeentha

Sunday 10.00am
Friday 9.30am

Adoration Chapel in St Mary's Church Monday to Saturday 10.30am – 6.00pm

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Saturdays & Sundays. Inquiries to the Parish Office

Livestreaming from St Mary's Church on churchservices.tv/mallow

Catholic newspapers are on sale after Sunday Masses in Mallow

Society of St Vincent de Paul Contact (022)50188 or (086)2693571

Bethany Bereavement Service for all types of bereavement and losses. Contact (086) 3918751

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

St Mary's Church

Sunday
6.30pm Anniv: Maureen Horgan
8.30am Anniv: Joan and Michael Quaid
11.00am Anniv: Mary and David Buckley

Mon Special Intention

Tue Anniv: Bernie Sugrue

Wed In Memory of Danny Michael
O'Connor and May Fitzgerald

Thur Anniv: Jack and Lily O'Shea

Fri Anniv: Larry and May McCarthy

Sat Months Mind: Billy Mannix

Church of the Resurrection

Sunday
7.30pm First Anniv: Michael Mullane
10.00am Anniv: Fr. Declan Hennessy
12.00pm Anniv: Maurice O'Leary

Mon Anniv: Padraig, Brigid and Liam Ryan

Tue

Wed Anniv: William Stubbs

Thur

Fri Anniv: Elizabeth and Donal Murphy

St John the Baptist, Burnfort

Sun
Thur

St Michael the Archangel, Analeentha

Sun Anniv: Eily Burke
Fri

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

Sun 12th Sts Nerus & Achilleus, Martyrs; St Pancras, Martyr (not observed); **Mon 13th** *Our Lady of Fatima* **Tue 14th** St Matthias, Apostle **Wed 15th** *St Carthage* **Thu 16th** *St Brendan, Abbot* **Sat 18th** *St John I, Pope & Martyr*

FROM A SERMON OF ST AUGUSTINE ON THE ASCENSION

Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven; let our hearts ascend with him. Listen to the words of the Apostle: *If you have risen with Christ, set your hearts on the things that are above where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God; seek the things that are above, not the things that are on earth.* For just as he remained with us even after his ascension, so we too are already in heaven with him, even though what is promised us has not yet been fulfilled in our bodies.

Christ is now exalted above the heavens, but he still suffers on earth all the pain that we, the members of his body, have to bear. He showed this when he cried out from above: *Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?* and when he said: *I was hungry and you gave me food.*

Why do we on earth not strive to find rest with him in heaven even now, through the faith, hope and love that unites us to him? While in heaven he is also with us; and we while on earth are with him. He is here with us by his divinity, his power and his love. We cannot be in heaven, as he is on earth, by divinity, but in him, we can be there by love.

He did not leave heaven when he came down to us; nor did he withdraw from us when he went up again into heaven. The fact that he was in heaven even while he was on earth is borne out by his own statement: *No one has ever ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man, who is in heaven.*

Out of compassion for us he descended from heaven, and although he ascended alone, we also ascend, because we are in him by grace. Thus, no one but Christ descended and no one but Christ ascended; not because there is no distinction between the head and the body, but because the body as a unity cannot be separated from the head.

NOTICES

Congratulations to the boys and girls attending Gaelscoil Thomáis Dáibhís who received their First Holy Communion this weekend.

The annual collection for the Episcopal Conference will be taken up next Sunday. This collection funds the work of the Irish Bishops as a national body and the various agencies under their auspices. The areas include Liturgy, Education, Communications, Justice and Peace, Emigrants and many more. These Commissions and Agencies make a very important and often unseen contribution to helping the church meet the challenges of our time. Their only source of finance is contributions from individual dioceses.

Public Rosary at Muddy Hill Grotto for the month of May at 7.30pm. All welcome.

St Aloysius Summer Faith Camp – Summer Camp with a twist for boys and girls aged (5-14 years) in Mallow Community Youth Centre, from **Tues., 2nd – 5th July, 9.30 a.m. -3 p.m.**, - develops confidence and character, to know and experience the love of God through Sports, Arts & Crafts, Music, Dance, Drama, Prayer and Catechesis. Cost €50 for first child, €30 per additional child from the same family. Contact Bernadette, Mallow Parish Youth Ministry – 086 8031126.

The All Ireland Rosary Rally takes place in Knock on Saturday, 1st June. Coach departs from Church of the Resurrection – 7.30 a.m. and from St. Mary's Church - 8.00 a.m. Contact 086 3722143 for further details.

Lough Derg – Four Day Pilgrimage - leaving Cork, Fri., 7th June at 9 a.m. returning Mon., 10th June. For further information and bookings – contact Paddy 021 4502572.

Parish Pastoral Council Agreed Report – Penitents have requested (through the suggestion boxes) that the pews outside the Confessional be kept vacant in the interest of privacy.