THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 3rd November 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 10.00am Mass Convent of Mercy: Sunday Mass 9.30am

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 Mallow Young Catholics Fridays at 7pm in the Parish Centre. Prayer, Scripture, Refreshments.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<u>St Mary's Church</u> Sun., 8.30 am First Anniv- John O'Connor 11 am Anniv- Gerardine Madden Wed., Anniv- Maura O'Hanlon Thur., Anniv- Joan Quinlan Fri., Anniv- Ciss Higgins, Sat., Anniv- Maureen & Myles Carey

<u>Church of the Resurrection</u> Sun., 10am Anniv- Martin Higgins, 12pm Anniv-Liam Sampey & Rem. baby Shay Mon., Anniv- Paul Beecher

St John the Baptist, Burnfort Sun., First Anniv- Phyllis Walsh

November - Month of the Holy Souls

November is a special time to remember to pray for our dead. Each Priest in the Parish celebrates twelve Masses for the Holy Souls annually. Envelopes with forms are available for you, to include the names of your departed loved ones are available at the back of both churches. We invite you to take an envelope. Please return completed list and offering to the collection box at Mass. Alternatively hand in to the Parish Office or to any one of the Priest's houses. The lists of all deceased will be placed in front of the altar and they will be remembered at all Masses during November.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

Sun 3rd St Malachy, Bishop (not observed this year) **Mon 4th** St Charles Borromeo, Bishop **Tue 5th** *St Martin de Porres, Religious* **Wed 6th** All Saints of Ireland **Thur** 7th *St Willibrord, Bishop & Missionary* **Sat 9th** The Dedication of the Lateran Archbasilica of Our Saviour and St John

MEMENTO MORI

The month of November, being traditionally set aside for the remembrance of the dead and prayer for them, naturally stirs an awareness of our own mortality. This awareness is wholly un-modern. We are a society that loves to push death as far away as possible, even keeping the word itself at bay by often referring more to 'passing'. This is because death, to the modern mind, marks the end of existence and its pleasures and so it must not be spoken of or contemplated too much.

But for the Christian, death should not have its proper nature obscured by evasive and sentimental language. Why? Because for the Christian, death is so much more than a simple moment of 'passing' as from one room to another. It is, in fact, the most important thing that will ever happen to us in our lives. It is the moment when our souls will be separated from our bodies and will go before the judgement seat of God; it is the moment when every thought we have entertained, every decision we have taken and every action we have performed will be counted in our favour or against it; it is the moment when we will learn the destination of our immortal souls, there to be reunited for all eternity with our bodies on the Last Day.

In his Gospel parables, the Lord warns us many times not to be caught out by death should it come upon us unawares. But unawares or not, we must be ever-ready to face it, not with the trepidation or horror that grips the modern mind at the thought, but with the confidence and, yes, the eagerness of the Christian whose good deeds outweigh his bad ones. If the scales need to be tipped, *now* is the time. *Memento mori.* Remember: death.

Cemetery Prayers in November: St. Gobnait's; today, Sunday, 3rd Nov. at 3.00 p.m. St. Joseph's; Sunday, 10th Nov. at 3.00 p.m. (If weather prohibits, at either of the above, Prayers will be said in St. Mary's Church at 3 p.m.) St. Mary's; Sunday, 17th Nov. after 11.00 a.m. Mass. (If weather prohibits, Prayers will be said in St. Mary's after 11 a.m. Mass)

Cemetery Prayers in Mourneabbey Parish: Burnfort Cemetery; today, Sunday, 3rd Nov. at 12.30 p.m. The Abbey and Ballinamona Cemeteries; Sunday, 10th Nov. at 12.30 p.m. and 1 p.m.

NOTICES

Due to the annual Priests Assembly there will be <u>no</u> 9.15am Mass in the Church of the Resurrection on Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th November. There will be <u>no</u> 9.30am Mass in Burnfort on Thursday 7th. The 10.00am Mass in St Mary's Church will be celebrated as usual on both days. St Mary's Tea/Coffee after Mass – everyone's welcome for a cuppa and a chat after 10 am Mass on Fri., 8th Nov., in St. Mary's Family Room next to the main door. A chance to meet and get to know each other (from Mallow Parish Pastoral Council).

Masses for those who died during the past year in Mourneabbey Parish will take place in Burnfort Church on Friday 8th November, 7.30 p.m. Masses in Mallow Parish will take place in St Mary's Church on Thursday, 14th and Friday 15th November at 7.30pm. Special invitations to one of these Masses are sent to the families who have been bereaved in the last year. All who wish to pray for a deceased loved one are welcome to attend.