# THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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### FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY ~ 29<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2024

### MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St Mary's Church, Mallow Church of the Resurrection, Mallow Saturday (vigil): 6.30pm Saturday (vigil): 7.30pm Sunday: 8.30am & 11.00am Sunday: 10.00am & 12.00pm Monday - Saturday: 10.00am Monday - Friday: 9.15am Confessions Friday after 9.15am Mass

Confessions Saturday after 10.00am Mass

Convent of Mercy: Sunday Mass 9.30am

St John the Baptist, Burnfort St Michael the Archangel, Analeentha

Sunday 11.30am Sunday 10.00am Friday 9.30am Thursday 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

Saturday	Vigil	Saturday Vigil
6.30pm	First Anniv: Gerry Linehan	7.30pm Anniv: John & Vicky O'Regan
Sunday		Sunday
8.30am	Anniv: Tim Barry	10.00am Anniv: Catherine O'Leary
11.00am	Months Mind: John Ryan	12.00pm Months Mind: Mary Glavin
Mon	Anniv: Ellen, William O'Mahony &	
	Deceased family members	Mon
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Tue Anniv: Molly & Fritz Streng Tue Mallow Rotary Memorial Tree Wed Months Mind: Rijo Paul Wed Thur Anniv: Moll Lane Thur Anniv: Kay Daly

Fri

FriSat Anniv: Joe O'Donovan

St Mary's Church

St John the Baptist, Burnfort St Michael the Archangel, Analeentha

Sun First Anniv: Sheila O'Sullivan & Rem. her brother Canon William O'Sullivan

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

**Church of the Resurrection** 

Sun 29th St Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr (not celebrated this year) Tue 31st St Sylvester Wed 1st Jan Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Thur 2<sup>nd</sup> Sts Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church Fri 3rd The Holy Name of Jesus; St Munchin, Bishop

#### AN ADDRESS GIVEN BY POPE ST PAUL VI AT NAZARETH

The home of Nazareth is the school where we begin to understand the life of Jesus – the school of the Gospel. The first lesson we learn here is to look, to listen, to meditate and penetrate the meaning – at once so deep and so mysterious – of this very simple, very humble and very beautiful manifestation of the Son of God. Perhaps we learn, even imperceptibly, the lesson of imitation. Here we learn the method which will permit us to understand who Christ is. Here above all is made clear the importance of taking into account the general picture of his life among us, with its varied background of place, of time, of customs, of language, of religious practices – in fact, everything Jesus made use of to reveal himself to the world. Here everything is eloquent, all has a meaning. Here, in this school, one learns why it is necessary to have a spiritual rule of life, if one wishes to follow the teaching of the Gospel and become a disciple of Christ. How gladly would I become a child again, and go to school once more in this humble and sublime school of Nazareth.

First, then, a lesson of silence. May esteem for silence, that admirable and indispensable condition of mind, revive in us, besieged as we are by so many uplifted voices, the general noise and uproar, in our seething and over-sensitized modern life. May the silence of Nazareth teach us recollection, inwardness, the disposition to listen to good inspirations and the teachings of true masters. May it teach us the need for and the value of preparation, of study, of meditation, of personal inner life, of the prayer which God alone sees in secret.

Next, there is a lesson on family life. May Nazareth teach us what family life is, its communion of love, its austere and simple beauty, and its sacred and inviolable character. Let us learn from Nazareth that the formation received at home is gentle and irreplaceable. Let us learn the prime importance of the role of the family in the social order.

Finally, there is a lesson of work. Nazareth, home of the 'Carpenter's Son', in you I would choose to understand and proclaim the severe and redeeming law of human work; here I would restore the awareness of the nobility of work; and reaffirm that work cannot be an end in itself, but that its freedom and its excellence derive, over and above its economic worth, from the value of those for whose sake it is undertaken. And here at Nazareth, to conclude, I want to greet all the workers of the world, holding up to them their great pattern, their brother who is God. He is the prophet of all their just causes, Christ our Lord.

**Readers for the Month of January** –St Mary's -Vigil, Sat., 6.30pm-Margaret Lane, Sun., 8.30 am- Denis Murphy, 11 am-Gearoid Murphy.

Church of the Resurrection – Vigil, Sat., 7.30pm- Brid Broderick, Sun., 10 am- Robin Robson, 12 noon -Anthony O'Connell.

## The Parish Office will be closed for Annual Leave until Tues., 7th January 2025.

#### NOTICES

First Saturday Devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima in St. Mary's – 9.15 a.m.

A new Rota for Ministers of the Word and Ministers of the Eucharist is being drawn up for the coming year, 2025. We would welcome in particular new readers.

Weekly Envelope Boxes for 2025 - The envelope year commences on 1st January 2025. Renewed thanks to all who support the church funds, and those who use the envelope method. If you have not received a box and would like to join, please contact the Parish Office 022 20276 or emailsacristanmallow1@gmail.com.