THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ 19TH JANUARY 2025

MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St Mary's Church, MallowChurch of the Resurrection, MallowSaturday (vigil): 6.30pmSaturday (vigil): 7.30pmSunday: 8.30am & 11.00amSunday: 10.00am & 12.00pmMonday - Saturday: 10.00amMonday - Friday: 9.15am

Confessions Saturday after 10.00am Mass Confessions Friday after 9.15am Mass

Convent of Mercy: Sunday Mass 9.30am

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

Sunday 11.30am Sunday 10.00am Thursday 9.30am 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

St Mary's Church	Church of the Resurrection
Saturday Vigil	Saturday Vigil
6.30pm Anniv- Kathleen Wedel	7.30pm First Anniv-Edward Clehane &
	Anniv- Christine Clehane
Sunday	Sunday
8.30am Anniv-Sheila O'Keeffe	10.00am Anniv-Denis & Frances McCarthy
11.00am Anniv- Dennehy Family	12.00pm Anniv-John O'Callaghan
Mon First Anniv- Mary Morrissey	Mon Anniv-Michael Buckley
Tue Anniv-Kathleen O'Sullivan &	Tue Anniv-Essie & Danny Sullivan & their
Bernadette Connolly	son Dominic
Wed Deceased members of Corcoran family	Wed Anniv-Eileen Scannell
Thur Anniv-Triona O'Boyle Dervan	Thur
Fri Anniv-Edmond Twomey	Fri
Sat Intentions of Residents of Blackrock Park	ζ.
St John the Baptist, Burnfort	St Michael the Archangel, Analeentha

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

Mon 20th St Fabian, Pope & Martyr; St Sebastian, Martyr Tue 21st St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr Wed 22nd St Vincent, Deacon & Martyr Fri 24th St Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church Sat 25th The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

Sun

Fri

24 JANUARY – ST FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

T Francis de Sales was born near Annecy, in Savoy, studied the law, and was ordained to the priesthood despite the opposition of his father. His first mission was to re-evangelize the people of his home district (the Chablais), who had gone over to Calvinism. Always in danger of his life from hostile Calvinists, he preached with such effectiveness that after four years most of the people had returned to the Church. He was then appointed bishop of Geneva, and spent the rest of his life reforming and reorganising the diocese, and in caring for the souls of his people by preaching and spiritual guidance.

St Francis taught that we can all attain a devout and spiritual life, whatever our position in society: holiness is not reserved for monks and hermits alone. He wrote that "religious devotion does not destroy: it perfects," and his spiritual counsel is dedicated to making people more holy by making them more themselves. In his preaching against Calvinism he was driven by love rather than a desire to win: so much so, that it was a Calvinist minister who said "if we honoured anyone as a saint, I know of no-one since the days of the Apostles more worthy of it than this man."

St Francis is the patron saint of writers and journalists, who would do well to imitate his love and his moderation: as he said, "whoever wants to preach effectively must preach with love."

NOTICES

Rediscover the Foundations of the Faith An 8 week programme will take place in the Parish Centre on Tuesdays at 7.30pm beginning on Tuesday, 28th January. Weekly themes will include an exploration of the person of Jesus; the Sacraments; what it means to be a member of the Church; living the Christian moral life today; the life of prayer. Sessions will be about an hour and will comprise a video presentation and time for reflection and discussion. Anyone not able to commit to 8 weeks is welcome to dip in and out. All welcome to attend. The programme is based on the 'Sycamore' course and can be checked out at sycamore.fm.

Southside Tea/Coffee Morning is back! Everyone's welcome for a cuppa and a chat after 9.15 am Mass (Church of the Resurrection) on Wed., 22nd January in the Arches – helping us to get to know one another in our parish community in 2025 (sponsored by Mallow Parish Pastoral Council).

Mallow Young Catholics meets on Fridays for Rosary, Gospel reflection, a cup of tea and chat. All welcome 18-35.

Catholic Schools Week takes place this week. Every blessing on our schools and the work they do in providing Catholic education to the children of our parish.

 $18^{th} - 25^{th}$ January is the Week for Prayer for Christian Unity. At the Last Supper the Lord prayed that his followers would be one, as He and the Father are one. Please pray for the healing of divisions caused by schism and heresy over the centuries.

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church and have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage then Accord wishes to hear from you! Successful applicants will receive professional training in the Accord marriage preparation programme and be part of a team delivering programmes locally. Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie and for further information see www.accord.ie.

Mallow Field Club Lecture – in GAA Centre, Carrigoon - P51 XV58, Tues., 21st Jan., - 8pm. Diarmuid Ó'Drisceóil will speak on 'The Story of Ireland's Natural Gas'. Door charge - €5. Everybody welcome.