THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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1ST MARCH 2026 ~ 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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 loss. Contact (086) 3918751
***Lectio Divina* for Lent** on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR COMING WEEK - MONDAY 2ND MARCH - SUNDAY 8TH MARCH

St Mary's Church *Mon* Paddy & Tommy O'Connell & Jeff Mullane, *Tue* Donal Ryan, *Wed* Lily O'Shea, *Thur* William Fitzgerald, *Sat 10am* Charlie O'Keeffe, *Sat Vigil 6.30pm* Phil & Mary Murphy, *Sun 8.30am* Paddy Moynihan, *Sun 11am* Dan Joe Fitzgerald

Church of the Resurrection *Mon* Remembrance Mass Browne & O'Rourke Families, *Tue* Special Intention, *Wed* Annamm Abraham, *Thur* David Walsh, *Sat Vigil 7.30pm* Eddie Doherty, *Sun 10am* Liz Browne, *Sun 12pm* Deceased Members of Moriarty Family & parents Mary Ann & John

St. John the Baptist, Burnfort *Sun* Julia & Michael O'Donoghue

Date to Remember – Confirmation in Mallow, Thursday 7th May 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (*Optional observance in italics)*

Sun 1st St David, Bishop (not celebrated this year) **Wed 4th** *St Casimir* **Thur 5th** *St Kieran, Bishop*
Sat 7th *Ss Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs*

EXCERPT FROM THE LETTER OF THE HOLY FATHER POPE LEO XIV FOR LENT 2026

I would like to invite you to a very practical and frequently unappreciated form of abstinence: that of refraining from words that offend and hurt our neighbour. Let us begin by disarming our language, avoiding harsh words and rash judgement, refraining from slander and speaking ill of those who are not present and cannot defend themselves. Instead, let us strive to measure our words and cultivate kindness and respect in our families, among our friends, at work, on social media, in political debates, in the media and in Christian communities. In this way, words of hatred will give way to words of hope and peace.

Finally, Lent emphasizes the communal aspect of listening to the word and fasting. The Bible itself underlines this dimension in multiple ways. For example, the Book of Nehemiah recounts how the people gathered to listen to the public reading of the Law, preparing to profess their faith and worship through fasting, so as to renew the covenant with God.

Likewise, our parishes, families, ecclesial groups and religious communities are called to undertake a shared journey during Lent, in which listening to the word of God, as well as to the cry of the poor and of the earth, becomes part of our community life, and fasting a foundation for sincere repentance. In this context, conversion refers not only to one's conscience, but also to the quality of our relationships and dialogue. It means allowing ourselves to be challenged by reality and recognizing what truly guides our desires — both within our ecclesial communities and as regards humanity's thirst for justice and reconciliation.

Dear friends, let us ask for the grace of a Lent that leads us to greater attentiveness to God and to the least among us. Let us ask for the strength that comes from the type of fasting that also extends to our use of language, so that hurtful words may diminish and give way to a greater space for the voice of others. Let us strive to make our communities places where the cry of those who suffer finds welcome, and listening opens paths towards liberation, making us ready and eager to contribute to building a civilization of love.

I impart my heartfelt blessing upon all of you and your Lenten journey.

Upcoming Station Masses, Mallow – Ballyviniter and The Commons, at the home of John and Teresa Finnegan, Friday, 6th March – Mass at 7.30p.m.
Carrigoon, Parkadillane, Oliver's Cross, Keatley's Close, Castleheights, Aldworth Heights at the home of Kathleen O'Brien, Friday 20th March – Mass at 7.30p.m.
Fiddane, Knockroura, Knopogue at the home of Con & Anna Colbert, Sat., 21st March - Mass at 11a.m.

Upcoming Station Masses, Mourneabbey – Monaparson, Castlebarrett and Deanville, at the home of Nora O'Sullivan, Saturday 21st March – Mass at 11a.m.
Burnfort, Greenhill and Léim na Léithe, John Russell & Nancy Russell in Burnfort Church, Wednesday, 25th March – Mass at 7.30p.m.

NOTICES

First Saturday Devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima in St. Mary's Church – 9.15 a.m.
Stations of the Cross will take place in St Mary's Church on the Sundays of Lent at 5.00p.m.
Reminder – If you have received a CHY3 form, please complete, sign and return it to the Parish Office.
Donoughmore Group Pilgrimage to Fatima & Vilalmoura (Algarve) led by Spiritual Director Fr. Neilus O'Donnell, 2nd July 2026 – further details contact Patsy Foley – 087 6798810.
Blood Donation Clinic, Cork Racecourse, Mallow, Mon., 2nd March to Wed., 4th March. To book call 1800 731 137 or see the website www.giveblood.ie.