

# THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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**22<sup>ND</sup> MARCH 2026 ~ 5<sup>TH</sup> 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. Enquiries 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  
**Lectio Divina** for Lent on Thursdays at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre.  
**Stations of the Cross** will take place in St Mary's Church on the Sundays of Lent at 5.00pm.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR COMING WEEK – MONDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> – SUNDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

**St. Mary's Church** *Mon* James Morrissey Recently Deceased, *Thur* Months Mind: Patricia O'Regan, *Fri* First Anniv: Patrick O'Riordan, *Sat 10am* Helen Long, *Sat Vigil 6.30pm* Marian Walsh, *Sun 8.30am* Eddie Sugrue, *Sun 11am* Michael O'Connor

**Church of the Resurrection** *Mon* John O'Connor & Maureen O'Connor, *Fri* First Anniv: Deirdre Lynch, Months Mind: Marie Lynch & Remembering John B. Lynch, *Sat Vigil 7.30pm* Months Mind: Una Nagle, *Sun 10am* Maura O'Connor, *Sun 12pm* First Anniv: Mary Ruby

**St. John the Baptist, Burnfort** *Sun* Maurice Kelly

**St. Michael the Archangel, Analeentha** *Sun* Deceased Members of Clyda Rovers GAA Club

**Station Masses, Mourneabbey for coming week – Burnfort, Greenhill and Léim na Léithe,** John Russell & Nancy Russell in Burnfort Church, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Mass at 7.30p.m.  
**Lissard,** at the home of John and Grace Twomey, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Mass at 11. am.

### Date to Remember –

**Confirmation in Mallow, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.**

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

**Mon 23<sup>rd</sup>** *St Turibius of Mongrovejo, Bishop* **Tue 24<sup>th</sup>** *St Macartan, Bishop*  
**Wed 25<sup>th</sup>** The Annunciation of the Lord

## THE DATE OF EASTER

Jesus rose from the dead on the first Sunday following the feast of Passover. The date of Passover is a complicated thing. Theoretically, the date should be the 14th of the Jewish month of Nisan, and it should correspond to a full moon (the Jewish calendar being partly lunar). In practice, it didn't always work out that way. The month-moon cycles got out of sync, and sometimes feasts would be held on a "liturgical" full moon even when it was not an astronomical full moon. As a result, rabbis periodically had to announce when Passover would be celebrated.

Christians weren't keen on being dependent on the pronouncements of rabbis for how to celebrate Christian feasts, so they came up with another way of determining the date. At the Council of Nicaea in 325 they decided that Easter would be celebrated on the first Sunday after (never on) the Paschal full moon.

Theoretically, the Paschal full moon is the first full moon occurring on or after the spring equinox. However, this day can be reckoned in different ways. One way is by looking at the sky, which yields the astronomical spring equinox. But since this shifts from year to year, most people follow the calendrical spring equinox, which is reckoned as March 21.

On the Gregorian calendar (the one that we use), Easter is the first Sunday after the Paschal full moon, which is the first full moon on or after March 21. Easter thus always falls between March 22 and April 25.

## NOTICES

**Welcome to the children of 2<sup>nd</sup> classes and their families** to the Mass in the "Grow in Love in the Parish" programme at the 10.00am and 11.00am Masses today.

**Next Sunday is Palm Sunday** and the beginning of Holy Week. Palms will be blessed at all Masses.

**Comhgáirdeachas le Gaelscoil Thomáis Dháibhis** atá ag ceiliúradh 40 bliain ar an bhfód. Gach beannacht ar mhuintir na scoile uile.

**In advance of the mid-week Feast of the Annunciation,** there will be a Prayer of the Faithful at all Masses and a Blessing of Expectant Mothers at the end of each Mass in both churches this weekend, 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> of March. Please spread the word to any expectant relations or friends.

**Southside Tea/Coffee Morning** – Everyone's welcome for a cuppa and a chat after 9.15am Mass (Church of the Resurrection) on Wed., 25<sup>th</sup> March in the Arches (from Mallow Parish Pastoral Council).

**The Chrism Mass will be celebrated in St. Colman's Cathedral, Cobh on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> April** at 7.30p.m. All are welcome to attend particularly all those involved in liturgy, such as liturgy groups, choirs, lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist.

**Brother Jean-Marie** from the Taizé community will be in Cork for Taizé prayer on Thurs., 26<sup>th</sup> March – 6pm in the Honan Chapel, UCC. All welcome

**Camp Creideamh, Catholic Faith Camp for teenagers, boys and girls,** will take place again in Knockadoon (East Cork) over the dates 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> June. For those who are Post-Primary school age. Activities will include catechesis, prayer, sports, hillwalking, kayaking, swimming, music, arts and crafts and other activities. For booking go to website: www.campcreideamh.ie. For more information call Fr Eamon Roche on 086 9972539.

**Mallow Adult Learning Centre** – Top Floor, Parish Centre, if anyone needs help with reading, writing, spelling and numeracy contact 022-42642 for further details. Office hours: Mon., -Thurs., 9.30am to 1.30pm and Fridays 9.30am to 12 noon.

**Mallow Field Club Lecture** – in Mallow G.A.A. Centre on Tues., 24<sup>th</sup> Mar., at 8.p.m. Dr. Ian D'Alton TCD will speak on Southern Irish Protestants: History, Identity and Belonging, followed by Club A.G.M. (confined to paid-up members). Entry is free and everybody welcome.

