THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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8TH MARCH 2026 ~ 3ND 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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR COMING WEEK – MONDAY 9TH MARCH - SUNDAY 15TH MARCH

St Mary's Church *Mon* Daniel Hartnett, *Tue* Paddy Buckley, *Wed* Margaret Fleming, *Thur* Months Mind: Bernadette Relihan, *Sat 10am* Kathleen Wedel, *Sat Vigil 6.30pm* First Anniversaries - Paula Murphy & Mary Murphy, *Sun 8.30am* Mary Healy, *Sun 11am* Months Mind: Ita McNulty

Church of the Resurrection *Tue* Frank McNamara, *Fri* John Kidney, *Sat Vigil 7.30pm* Joan O'Shea, *Sun 10am* Hannah (Dolly) & Timothy O'Donoghue, *Sun 12pm* John O'Sullivan

St. John the Baptist, Burnfort *Sun* Pat Curtin (Jnr.)

St. Michael the Archangel, Analeentha *Su*n Connie Murphy

The Pope's Intentions March 2026: For disarmament and peace - Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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

Sun 8th St John of God, Religious; St Senan, Bishop (not celebrated this year)
Mon 9th *St Frances of Rome, Religious* **11th** *St Aengus, Bishop & Abbot*

FROM A TREATISE BY ST AUGUSTINE ON THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST JOHN

The Samaritans were foreigners; Jews never used their utensils. The woman was carrying a pail for drawing water. She was astonished that a Jew should ask her for a drink of water, a thing that Jews would not do. But the one who was asking for a drink of water was thirsting for her faith.

Listen now and learn who it is that asks for a drink. *Jesus answered her and said: If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink," perhaps you might have asked him and he would have given you living water.*

He asks for a drink, and he promises a drink. He is in need, as one hoping to receive, yet he is rich, as one about to satisfy the thirst of others. He says: *If you knew the gift of God.* The gift of God is the Holy Spirit. But he is still using veiled language as he speaks to the woman and gradually enters into her heart. Or is he already teaching her? What could be more gentle and kind than the encouragement he gives? *If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, "Give me a drink," perhaps you might ask and he would give you living water.*

What is this water that he will give if not the water spoken of in Scripture: *With you is the fountain of life?* How can those feel thirst who *will drink deeply from the abundance in your house?*

He was promising the Holy Spirit in satisfying abundance. She did not yet understand. In her failure to grasp his meaning, what was her reply? *The woman says to him: Master, give me this drink, so that I may feel no thirst or come here to draw water.* Her need forced her to this labour, her weakness shrank from it. If only she could hear those words: *Come to me, all who labour and are burdened, and I will refresh you.* Jesus was saying this to her, so that her labours might be at an end; but she was not yet able to understand.

Upcoming Station Masses, Mallow – 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, Saturday 21st March - Mass at 11.00a.m.

Upcoming Station Masses, Mourneabbey – Monaparson, Castlebarrett and Deanville, at the home of Nora O'Sullivan, Saturday 21st March – Mass at 11.00a.m.
Burnfort, Greenhill and Léim na Léithe, John Russell & Nancy Russell in Burnfort Church, Wednesday 25th March – Mass at 7.30p.m.
Lissard, at the home of John and Grace Twomey, Saturday 28th March – Mass at 11.00am.

NOTICES

Stations of the Cross will take place in St Mary's Church on the Sundays of Lent at 5.00pm.
Reminder – If you have received a CHY3 form, please complete, sign and return it to the Parish Office.
Camp Creideamh, Catholic Faith Camp for teenagers, boys and girls, will take place again in Knockadoon (East Cork) over the dates 7th – 13th 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.
St Mary's Tea/Coffee after Mass – even though we are in Lent, we're still meeting up for a cuppa and chat after 10 am Mass on Fri., 13th March (in the Hibernian Hotel)! Helping us to know and grow our parish community (from Mallow Parish Pastoral Council).
Mallow Rotary Club - Table Quiz in aid of Le Cheile Resource Centre, in Albert's Bar, Thurs., 12th March, - 8.30 p.m.