

THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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10TH MAY 2026 ~ SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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
Mallow Young Catholics Fridays at 7pm in the Parish Centre. Prayer, Scripture, Refreshments.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR COMING WEEK – MONDAY 11TH MAY - SUNDAY 17TH MAY

St. Mary's Church *Mon* Bernie Sugrue, *Tue* Michael Weldon, *Wed* Nell Shealy & Remembering her husband John Shealy & daughter Bríd Shealy, *Thur* Special Intention, *Fri* Jack O'Shea, *Sat 10am* Months Mind: Patsy Mills, *Sat Vigil 6.30pm* First Anniv: Helen Tanner, *Sun 8.30am* Con Curtin, *Sun 11am* First Anniv: Rosarie Bolster & Anniv Tom Bolster

Church of the Resurrection *Fri* Maurice O'Leary, *Sat Vigil 7.30pm* First Anniv: Michael Lane & Remembering his wife Carmel Lane, *Sun 10am* Fr. Declan Hennessy, *Sun 12pm* First Anniv: Eileen O'Sullivan & Months Mind: her husband Neilus O'Sullivan

St. Michael the Archangel, Analeentha *Sun 10am* Eily Burke

The Pope's Intentions for May 2026 – That everyone might have food, Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

Sun 10th St Comgall, Bishop; St John of Avila, Priest & Doctor of the Church (not celebrated this year)
Tue 12th *Ss Nerus & Achilleus, Martyrs; St Pancras, Martyr* **Wed 13th** *Our Lady of Fatima*
Thur 14th St Matthias, Apostle **Fri 15th** *St Carthage, Bishop* **Sat 16th** *St Brendan, Abbot*

14TH MAY – ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE

ST MATTHIAS was not one of the Twelve; but after the treachery and death of Judas Iscariot, someone was needed to take his place. Two candidates were selected, and lots were drawn to see which of them should be made one of the Twelve: the choice fell on Matthias. Nothing is known for certain about his subsequent history, but he is generally believed to have been martyred around 64–65 AD by being stoned and then beheaded in Jerusalem or Colchis.

Drawing lots to select a candidate for an office sounds strange to us, but it was a recognised Jewish custom: for example, the priest who was to enter the Temple sanctuary and burn incense there was not chosen by some rota but by lot. Random events, independent of any obvious natural or human cause, were seen as a direct expression of God's will. Drawing lots was not a substitute for human decision – human beings had chosen Matthias as a candidate, human beings decided which priests were eligible on which days – but a way of putting the final choice into the hands of God.

When we attain some high or responsible position, we may be tempted to congratulate ourselves on being the best candidate for the job. We would do well to remember that we have got there because of the people we have met and the things we have found ourselves doing, and, more fundamentally, because of the gifts and talents that God has given us. These things are essentially random: like Matthias, we have been chosen by lot.

NOTICES

Congratulations to the boys and girls who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in the parish last Thursday.

Congratulations to the boys and girls from Analeentha National School who received First Holy Communion yesterday.

Public Rosary at Muddy Hill Grotto every evening for month of May at 7.30pm. All welcome.

The Annual Collection for the Irish Episcopal Conference will be taken up **next weekend**, 16th/17th May. This collection will be used to finance the various commissions and agencies set up by the Irish Bishops' Conference to provide services to the Church at local, national and international level. The areas include Liturgy, Education, Communications, Justice & Peace, Emigrants and many more.

Information Evening for Mass Readers this Tuesday Evening – Members of the Cloyne Liturgy Commission will present an Information Evening for Mass Readers and those considering joining this ministry. The evening will include information on the Ministry of the Word and practical guidelines, with time for questions, answers and discussions over a cup of tea. Take-home informational material will also be provided to each attendee. **The information evening for parishes in the Mallow area will be held this Tuesday, 12th May, 7.30pm – 9pm at St. Joseph's Parish Centre, 27/28 Bank Place, Mallow P51 ERK0. All Mass Readers are invited to attend.**

PLEASE NOTE – Closure of Burnfort Church Carpark 18th May to 8th June for Drainage and Resurfacing Works. In order to allow the drainage and re-surfacing of the church yard in Burnfort to be completed in the shortest possible time, the church yard will be closed to all non works-related traffic from 18th May to 8th June. **The 11.30am Sunday and 9.30am Thursday Masses will take place as usual**, but only by pedestrian access from street parking to the church. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Mallow Library Events – Cyber Safety Talk on Tues., 12th May at 2pm. Learn practical ways to stay safe online presented by MTU's Cyber Safety Team. All welcome. **Stories Among Friends** – Creative Writing Workshop, Fri., 15th May, 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Contact Mallow Library - 21821 to secure a place.

