

THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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17TH MAY 2026 ~ THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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

St John the Baptist, Burnfort

Sunday 11.30am
Thursday 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 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 18TH MAY – SUNDAY 24TH MAY

St. Mary's Church *Mon* Lily O'Keeffe, *Tue* John & Mary Moloney, *Wed* Larry & May McCarthy, *Thur* John O'Hanlon, *Fri* Padraig & Liam Ryan & Brigid Billington, *Sat 10am* Denis & Pauline Finn & Remembering their sons Ben & Mossie, *Sat Vigil 6.30pm* First Anniv: Michael Ger Kelly, *Sun 8.30am* Eileen Donovan, *Sun 11am* Frank McDermott

Church of the Resurrection *Mon* Pat & Margaret Bambury, *Thur* Paddy O'Connor, *Sat Vigil 7.30pm* Anthony Healy, *Sun 10am* Pat & Colette Barrett (Special Intention R.I.P.) *Sun 12pm* Derry Vereker

St. Michael the Archangel, Analeentha *Fri Sun 10am* Dan O'Sullivan

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

Mon 18th *St John I, Pope & Martyr* **Wed 20th** *St Bernardine of Siena, Priest*
Thur 21st *St Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs*
Fri 22nd *St Rita of Cascia, Religious*

FROM A SERMON OF ST AUGUSTINE ON THE ASCENSION

Today our Lord Jesus Christ ascended into heaven; let our hearts ascend with him. Listen to the words of the Apostle: *If you have risen with Christ, set your hearts on the things that are above where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God; seek the things that are above, not the things that are on earth.* For just as he remained with us even after his ascension, so we too are already in heaven with him, even though what is promised us has not yet been fulfilled in our bodies.

Christ is now exalted above the heavens, but he still suffers on earth all the pain that we, the members of his body, have to bear. He showed this when he cried out from above: *Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?* and when he said: *I was hungry and you gave me food.*

Why do we on earth not strive to find rest with him in heaven even now, through the faith, hope and love that unites us to him? While in heaven he is also with us; and we while on earth are with him. He is here with us by his divinity, his power and his love. We cannot be in heaven, as he is on earth, by divinity, but in him, we can be there by love.

He did not leave heaven when he came down to us; nor did he withdraw from us when he went up again into heaven. The fact that he was in heaven even while he was on earth is borne out by his own statement: *No one has ever ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man, who is in heaven.*

Out of compassion for us he descended from heaven, and although he ascended alone, we also ascend, because we are in him by grace. Thus, no one but Christ descended and no one but Christ ascended; not because there is no distinction between the head and the body, but because the body as a unity cannot be separated from the head.

NOTICES

Congratulations to the boys and girls from St Patrick's NS, Rahan NS and children attending Mallow CNS who received First Holy Communion yesterday.

The Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Tiernan Burke will take place next Sunday, 24th May (Pentecost Sunday) in St Colman's Cathedral, Cobh at 3.00pm. All welcome to attend. Deacon Tiernan is a native of Whitechurch and as a seminarian undertook a parish placement in Mallow in 2022-2023. Please pray for him at this time and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood in our diocese.

The Mass for the Anointing of the Sick will be held on Sat., 30th May, at 7.30pm in the Church of the Resurrection.

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

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 Field Club – will visit Doneraile Estate on Tues., evening, 19th May where our guide will be Michael O'Sullivan. Depart Garda Station at 5.30pm or assemble at the children's playground, Doneraile Park at 6.00pm. Car pooling will be available and everybody welcome.