

THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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19TH JULY 2026 ~ 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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
Tuesday – Friday: 9.15am (July & August)
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 20TH JULY - SUNDAY 26TH JULY

St. Mary's Church *Tue* Mary & Bill Ware, *Fri* Tim O'Keeffe, *Sat* 10am Eileen & Gerard Kirby & Deceased Family Members, *Sat Vigil* 6.30pm William & Kathleen Fitzgerald, *Sun* 8.30am Bridie Murphy, *Sun* 11am First Anniv: Frank O'Sullivan

Church of the Resurrection *Fri* Joanna Kidney, *Sat Vigil* 7.30pm Maureen O'Callaghan, *Sun* 10am Sr. Siby, *Sun* 12pm Noele Willis

St. Michael the Archangel, Analeentha *Sun* 10am John O'Mahony

The Pope's Intentions for July 2026 – For respect for human life Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognising it as a gift from God.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

Mon 20th *St Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr* **Tue 21st** *St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church* **Wed 22nd** *St Mary Magdalene* **Thurs 23rd** *St Bridget of Sweden, Religious & Patron of Europe* **Fri 24th** *St Sharbel Makhluf, Priest; St Declan, Bishop* **Sat 25th** *St James, Apostle*

25 JULY – ST JAMES THE APOSTLE

ST JAMES was the brother of St John and, like him, a fisherman. He was one of the witnesses of the Transfiguration and one of those who slept through most of the Agony in the Garden. He was the first of the apostles to be martyred, being beheaded by King Herod Agrippa I to please the Jewish opponents of Christianity. He was buried in Jerusalem, and nothing more is known about him until the ninth century.

At this time we learn of a tradition that the relics of St James were brought to Spain some time after his martyrdom, (perhaps early, perhaps as late as 830), and his shrine at Compostela in Galicia grew in importance until it became the greatest pilgrimage centre in western Europe. In every country there are churches of St James and known, well-trodden pilgrim routes. In Paris, the Tour St Jacques marks the start of the route and the Rue St Jacques points straight towards Compostela. In England, pilgrim routes lead from all parts of the country to the major ports that were used on the pilgrimage. This network of routes is a vital witness to the fact that the Middle Ages were not the static stay-at-home time that we often think them to be: everyone must have known someone, or known someone who knew someone, who had made the pilgrimage. The scallop-shell, the emblem of St James, has become the emblem of pilgrims generally.

HISTORY OF THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

The Pence, as a donation to the Successor of Peter, developed in the 7th century with the conversion of the Anglo-Saxons. Having been evangelized by missionaries sent from Rome, they felt a strong bond of devotion tying them to the Holy Father, and began going on pilgrimages to Rome. There, the *Schola Saxonum* was established. This was a kind of pilgrim house which provided spiritual and material assistance to pilgrims. To support this institution, the Saxon rulers established a collection which, according to the earliest laws of the 11th century, was collected by households on the feast days of Peter and Paul and then delivered to the Pope, who divided it equally between the Holy See and the *Schola*. In the centuries that followed, as other European peoples converted to Christianity, it increasingly became a contribution of devotion, an expression of unity and shared responsibility within the Church.

In the modern era, with the end of the Papal States (1870), the political unity of the Church was shattered. The same thing is true for the bond, which used to be represented by the Offering of the Christian Peoples to the Holy See, in several countries. The crisis that arose from these events marked a major break with the past, which also gave St. Peter's offering an entirely new meaning that has been passed down to the present day. In Europe and overseas, a spontaneous movement of Catholics arose whose goal was to offer material aid to the Holy Father of their own accord. The warm response from Catholics was a great source of encouragement for the Pope. Thanks to this aid, he was able to allocate part of the offering to the care of those suffering the most (for example, following the devastating earthquake in Croatia in 1881), thus expressing a father's concern for his children. He receives in order to give, and to give to those who need it most at that moment.

NOTICES

There will be **no 9.15am Mass on Mondays** in Church of the Resurrection for the months of July and August.

The Second Collection this weekend – 18th/19th July, is the Annual Peter's Pence collection and will be taken up at all Masses.

Mallow Field Club – visit to Spa area of Mallow on Fri., 24th July in conjunction with Mallow Arts Festival. Meet at Tip O'Neill Park at 3.00pm. Everybody welcome.