

THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

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26TH JULY 2026 ~ 17TH 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. Inquiries 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 27TH JULY – SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST

St. Mary's Church *Mon* John Murphy, *Tue* Tom Ahern, *Wed* Mary Murphy, *Thur* Paddy Stack, *Fri* Thomas Thomas, *Sat 10am* Deceased Members of Leahy Family, *Sat Vigil 6.30pm* Breda Murray, *Sun 11am* Joan & Kevin Barry

Church of the Resurrection *Tue* Ellen & Dan Hurley & Mary, *Fri* Varkey Varkey, *Sat Vigil 7.30pm*

First Anniv: Colette Barrett, Sun 10am Kitty Saunders & her son-in-law Colm Sheehan,
Sun 12pm Colman Hunter

Readers for the month of August - St. Mary's Church *Sat.*, Vigil 6.30pm Margaret Lane,
Sun., 8.30am Amal Jaimon, *Sun 11am* Marie Horgan.

Church of the Resurrection *Sat.*, Vigil 7.30pm Brid Broderick, *Sun.*, 10am., Nicola Somers,
Sun., 12 noon Geraldine Long.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (Optional observance in italics)

Sun 26th Ss Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary (not celebrated this year)

Wed 29th Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus **Thur 30th** *St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*

Fri 31st St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest **Sat 1st Aug** St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

26 JULY – STS JOACHIM & ANNE

An ancient tradition, already known in the 2nd century, gives these names to the parents of the Virgin Mary. The cult of St Anna became popular in the 6th century in the East, and in the 10th century in the West, where she is the patron saint of Brittany; Joachim was added a long time later – too often the fate of fathers. Although the information about Mary's parents is found in an early apocryphal writing that gives many miraculous and highly-coloured stories about the early life of the Virgin Mary, there is no reason to suppose that such a straightforward fact as her parents' names should be wrong, since there is nothing to be gained from falsifying it. It does not occur in the Gospels simply because the most reliable evangelists (the only ones whom we have allowed into the Bible) felt they had more important things to talk about. But what, after all, could be more important than the parents who brought up the Virgin Mary to be the woman she was? At the moment of consenting to the Incarnation she took the most important decision ever taken by any human being, and the fact that she took it is, to a great extent, the work of her parents. The Holy Spirit gave her the strength to take the decision; but her parents' training gave her the wisdom to choose. Those of us who have children must seek to bring them up to the best of our ability, to meet challenges that, like Anna and Joachim, we have no way of even imagining.

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Lord Jesus,
you were born of the Virgin Mary, the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents the world over.
They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.
As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith,
guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.
Make them teachers of wisdom and courage,
that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.
Lord Jesus, help families and society to value the presence and role of grandparents.
May they never be ignored or excluded, but always encounter respect and love.
Help them to live serenely and to feel welcomed in all the years of life which you give them.
Mary, Mother of all the living, keep grandparents constantly in your care,
accompany them on their earthly pilgrimage, and by your prayers, grant that all families
may one day be reunited in our heavenly homeland, where you await all humanity
for the great embrace of life without end. Amen!

NOTICES

First Saturday Devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima in St. Mary's Church – 9.15 a.m.

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

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