Parish of Malin (Clonca) First Sunday of Lent

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> March 2014 (Year A – Psalter – Week 1)

Email items for the bulletin should reach parish web address or Malin Parochial House by 7pm on **Wednesday** of the week that publication is requested.

Please include a telephone number. (Email address: malinparish@hotmail.com)

Weekday Masses:	
St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay:	Monday and Tuesday at 9.30am.
Malin Oratory:	Friday at 10am.
Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head:	Monday and Tuesday at 10am.
St. Mary's Church, Lagg:	No Mass.

First Anniversary Mass: For John E. Doherty, Sheskin in Star of the Sea Church on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm.

Anniversary Mass: For Mary Ann Doherty, Lower Braghey in Star of the Sea Church on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm.

**First Anniversary Mass:** For Dan Mc Laughlin, Fawn in St. Patrick's Church on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 6pm.

**Anniversary Mass:** For Ellen Nora Doherty, Bree in Star of the Sea Church on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 8pm.

**Anniversary Mass:** For Bridget Doherty, Ballinahona in St. Patrick's Church on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 10.30am.

First Anniversary Mass: For Pat Carr Allison, Glacknabrad in St. Mary's Church on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 9am.

**<u>Confessions</u>**: Saturday in St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay 5.15pm - 5.45pm and 7.15pm - 7.45pm in Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head.

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## **Collections:** *Thank You.*

**Baptism:** We welcome into the parish community Grace Noelle Lafferty, 1 Edgewater Cottage who was baptised last weekend.

**Stations of the Cross:** Are an ancient part of our Catholic tradition. The help us to enter more fully into the spirit of Lent. The Stations of the Cross will take place on the first five Sunday's of Lent alternating between St. Patrick's Church and Star of the Sea Church. The Third Sunday of Lent they will take place in St. Mary's Church, Lagg. Stations of the Cross beginning in **Star of the Sea Church today Sunday at 5pm.** 

**Parish Pastoral Council:** The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council, will take place in the Parochial House, Drumcarbit on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 8pm.

**Confirmation Candidates:** The next meeting of the Confirmation candidates and their parents will take place in St. Patrick's Hall, Malin on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 7.30pm. Notification will also be circulated via the schools in the usual way.

**Trocaire Boxes:** Are available in each of the church porches, you are invited to take one home with you as you leave the church this weekend. The Trocaire theme for Lent this year shall be explored later in the season.

**Lenten Stations:** If you are interested in having a Lenten Station in your home during Lent. Please indicate to Fr. Devlin your intended choice of weekday.

**Do something special this Lent!** Many people choose to abstain from alcohol for the duration of Lent. Take this opportunity to help someone you know with an alcohol or drug problem by offering up your sacrifice as a prayer for their freedom and well-being. Take the Short-Term pledge and make a difference to someone's life! For more information visit http://www.pioneerassociation.ie or contact Raymond O'Connor (01) 874 9464.

Sacristan Required: For St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay please contact Fr. Devlin.

**Hymns at Lagg for Lent:** - *Entrance:* I Will Never Forget You My People. No.265. *Offertory:* My God Accept My Heart. No.355. *Communion:* God Forgive My Sin. No.175. *Recessional:* As I Kneel Before You. No.45.

**St. Patrick's Day Mass in Irish:** Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay on St Patrick's Day, 17<sup>th</sup> March will be celebrated in Irish by Fr. John Farren.

Malin Parish Draw: The winners for Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March are: 1. €200: Mark Kelly, Inishowen Oil, Carndonagh. 2. €130: Breedge O'Neill, 44 Drumsurn Road, Derry. 3. €65: Mary T Mc Gonagle, Ballynahona.

**Malin Bingo:** Bingo is held in St Patrick's Hall, Malin every Sunday night at 8.30pm. Winners for Sunday  $2^{nd}$  March are:  $\in 65$ : Ann Marie Shiels, Carndonagh. $\in 130$ : Vera Mc Kinley, Ballymena; Brian Diver, Moville; Ann Marie Duffy, Culdaff; Betty Mc Daid, Glengad. Next week's Snowball is  $\notin 500$  on 46 numbers;  $\notin 300$  on 48 numbers.

**Farewell:** I have endeavored in recent months to prepare ourselves for the unfolding events of this past few days, and when it comes I am actually somewhat unprepared myself. I anticipated that a change might be on the horizon later this year; I did not expect it within a week of our new Bishop being appointed.

These days as we begin the Season of Lent we are invited to accompany Christ to the hill of Calvary and to the Easter morning of Resurrection, this journey for Christ encompasses among others, emotions of uncertainty and discernment, in anticipation of hope filled opportunities to grow in the knowledge that if we place our open hands into the outreach of God, then he will accompany us on the journey of life.

As I enter another chapter of my life, which involves a change of parish, new opportunities in these spring days lie ahead. Beginning again, new surroundings, unfamiliar faces - similar faith - filled opportunities. I ask for your continuing prayer and I assure you of mine. As a priest we step in and out of our parishioner's lives in circumstances of sadness and happiness

- may I thank you for entrusting me to accompany with you in the reception of the Sacraments and your faith journey. In recent years it is noticeable that we see a 'fracture' in church practice and secular challenges to the witness of our faith. I also personally acknowledge these trends, which challenge my own faith, seeking to minimize God to the margins of life. I wish to commend your faith expression and I invite you to continue to support your parish community especially in the period ahead.

Thank you for your kindness and support to me over the past six and half years. I must now move on and hope that the faith-filled experiences we had together will blossom into the springtime witness of Christ in each of our lives.

I extend my thanks and good wishes to Fr. Devlin and to all too numerous to mention who actively participate in making the community of Malin parish a vibrant parish in the service and care of each other, and in the witness of Christ. Brendan Crowley.

**Five Alive Draw:** The winners of the Five Alive Draw for Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> March were: Evelyn Mattie and Danny Mc Colgan. The lucky ball number was 42. Thank you for your support.

Malin Head Community Sports Field Draw: There was no winner of the Malin Head Community Sports Field Draw on Sunday  $2^{nd}$  March. The jackpot stands at  $\notin 2200$ . The numbers drawn were 1,5,4,2,7,6,3. The bonus prize of  $\notin 50$  was won by Gerry Doherty, Middletown, Malin Head, with number 50. Thank you for your support.

**Ballymena NS Silver Circle:** 1. €120: Mary B Doherty, Ballysalla. 2. €50: Sean Doherty (JJ), Malin Well, Malin Head. 3. €30: Niamh Monagle, Dunegard, Malin Head.

**'Starting School' Course:** For all children due in enrol in Junior Infants in the Parish schools will be held in Scoil Treasa Naofa on March 11th, and 18th. More information from Maura on 0866052424.

**Irish Wheelchair Association:** The AGM of the Inishowen Activity Group, a branch of the Irish Wheelchair Association will take place on Friday 14th March at 2pm in Connolly Foundation, Kathleen Court, Malin Town.

**Scoil Treasa Naofa Malin:** Good as new shop has opened in Carn beside Neil Doherty's Jewelers'. Anyone willing to help or donations of clothes etc will be greatly appreciated. Contact Shaun on 0863805773.

**Family Fun Quiz:** Will be held on the 14th March in the Malin Head Community Centre from 7pm-9pm, in Memory of Anne Farren. Funds will go to the Malin Head Community Centre and The Irish Wheelchair Assoc Malin. This is a quiz with a difference as there will be special rounds for children and family members can be bribed for certain answers!  $\in 10$  a table with 2-6 people to a table. Come to a quiz with a difference to raise vital funds and have some fun.

**School Painting:** Tenders are invited from registered Painting Contractors for painting of extension of St. Mary's N.S, Malin Head during Summer 2014. Details from Principal at 9370277. Tenders to be submitted no later than Friday 28th March.

**Maths and English Classes:** For Primary School Children: Take place in Millbrae, Carndonagh. The classes are adapted to each child's individual needs in English and/or Maths. A little help in a 2 to 1 situation can make a difference to a child's academic achievement and confidence. For further information phone Margaret on 0868375592.

**Thanks:** The Mc Laughlin family Malin wish to thank the many people who supported our fund raising quiz in the Malin Hotel last Friday night and all those who made donations. Thanks also to the many businesses who donated prizes. The quiz was organised in memory of our brother - in - law Eamon Mc Menamin with the proceeds going to the Oncology Unit Letterkenny hospital. The total amount raised was €2,265.00.

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**Glengad FC:** Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> Redcastle v Glengad Utd 2pm. Moville Res v Glengad Res 11am. Lotto draw 26<sup>th</sup> February No's. 1.6.20.23.  $\notin$ 20 winners Sharon Mc Colgan, Bunn. Mary Billy, Ballymena. Chloe & Ciara 11 Seaview, Ballymena. Jackpot  $\notin$ 1000. General knowledge Table quiz will be held in the Fisherman's on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March with Quiz master Paddy Den.

**Malin GAA:** No winner of last week's lotto jackpot of €1900. The sequence drawn was 5-7-1-4-3-6-2. 50 euro winner was Frances Mc Laughlin, (F) Templemoyle. 20 euro sellers prize going to Stephen Mc Laughlin (F). Next week's jackpot stands at €1950 and as always we would like to thank the local community for their continued support of our weekly lotto draw.