

**Parish of Malin (Clonca)
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Sunday 18th May 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: No Mass.
Malin Oratory: No Mass.
Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head: Monday and Tuesday at 10am.
St. Mary's Church, Lagg: Thursday at 9.30am

Anniversary Mass: For Hughie Mc Laughlin, Ballysalla, Glengad in St Patrick's Church on Saturday 24th May at 6pm.

Anniversary Mass: For Dennis Mc Laughlin, Drumaville, in St Patrick's Church on Saturday 31st May at 6pm.

Anniversary Mass: For Richard Douglas, Carthage Mountain, in St Patrick's Church on Saturday 7th June at 6pm.

Anniversary Mass: For Celia Farren, Glentoskert in St Patrick's Church on Sunday 15th June at 10.30am.

Mass for students: Will take place in Star of the Sea Church on Saturday 31st May at 8pm.

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

Collections: Thank You.

	Aughaclay	Lagg	Malin Head
Parish	788	180	350
Restoration	787	180	350

Parish Fund –	€1,318
Restoration Fund –	€1,317

Trocaire Boxes: Parishioners are requested to return Trocaire Boxes at weekend masses.

Scoil Cholmcille, Glengad are in the process of carrying out a projection of enrollment for the next four years. If you have children under the age of five who have not yet been enrolled in Scoil Cholmcille, please contact the school on 074 93 79211 or e-mail to ballymenans@eircom.net

Malin GAA: Malin v Glenswilly at 1.30pm and 3pm on Sunday June 18th. All support welcome. No winner of last week's lotto jackpot, sequence drawn 4-3-1-7-5-2-6. €50 winner Gerard Monagle, Malin. €20 sellers prize Ryan Mc Laughlin. Next week's jackpot is €550

Malin GAA Annual Club Sports Day will be held on June 1st. Proceeds in aid of Donegal Cancer Bus. More details to follow.

New Heritage Booklet: Volume 5 of Malin Head Heritage booklet now on sale, priced €2 in local shops. Some great wee stories in it! Have a read!

Scoil Treasa Naofa, Malin (Old School 1951- 1984) Reunion will be held in the Malin Hotel, on Saturday, August 9th 2014. An event page has been set up on Facebook (Scoil Treasa Naofa Malin) to promote the reunion. Please "Like" and spread the word to your family and friends home and abroad, to make this a memorable night. Net proceeds will be donated to the Parents Association of the current school. Tickets will be on sale in all local outlets or Contact Orla 0868588593, Siobhan 0879450666, Evelyne 0876308046.

Carndonagh Community School: Parents that will need school bus transport to Carndonagh Community School for the school year 2014/15 are advised to register ASAP on www.buseireann.ie. The amount collected from the recent Church gate collection was €520. Thank you.

Attention of all men: Would you like to live longer? - then take STEPS to make it possible. Why not join the Inishowen Men's Walking Group in Carndonagh and kick-start the valuable habit of walking that is extensively known to provide numerous health benefits? Inishowen Development Partnership is delighted to promote this initiative in the Carndonagh area and hope it will encourage the successful rollout of other Green Prescription Projects across the Peninsula. For information on the programme or to start a Walking Group in your area please contact Margaret on 086 837 5592 or by email on margaret@inishowen.ie.

A Student's Creed

Today, this new day, I am a successful student. Overnight my mind and body have produced thousands of new cells to give me the greatest advantages possible. I am born anew, revitalized, and full of energy.

I am rare and valuable; unique in all the universe. I am nature's greatest miracle in action. I have unlimited potential. I believe in my abilities, attitudes, and goals. I am worthy of greatness because I am the most important person in my world.

Today I push myself to new limits. I use my skills and knowledge every day. I begin the day with a success and end it with a success. My goals are being reached every day and I seek them eagerly.

I act positively and happily, fully accepting myself and others. I live to the fullest by experiencing life without limits. I embrace life. I approach each class, each book, and each assignment with enthusiasm, happiness and joy. I thirst for knowledge. I look forward to reading and believing this creed each and every day.

I am a positive and successful student. I know each step I must take to continue to be that way. I am clear on my goals and see myself reaching them. I now realize my infinite potential, thus, my burden lightens. I smile and laugh. I have become the greatest student in the world. (<http://www.appleseeds.org/stcreed.htm>)

A Psalm for Students

The Lord is my teacher; I shall not sleep. He makes me stay awake in my studies all night; he leads me from page to page. He restores my sanity; he guides me in the path of consciousness, for my grades sake. Even though I grow weary in the shadow of books, I fear

no test, for thou art with me. Thy rod and thy staff, they keep jabbing me. Thou wilt prepare a test for me in the presence of my classmates. Thou hast crammed my mind with so much knowledge; my eyelids droop. Surely a good grade and a kind teacher will follow me after the test, or I will dwell in this class forever. (Steven M. Zeimis)

If Noah Built the Ark Today

And the Lord spoke to Noah and said: "In six months I'm going to make it rain until the whole earth is covered with water and all the evil people are destroyed. But I want to save a few good people, and two of every kind of living thing on the planet. I am ordering you to build Me an Ark." And in a flash of lightning He delivered the specifications for an Ark. "OK," said Noah, trembling in fear and fumbling with the blueprints. "Six months, and it starts to rain," thundered the Lord. "You'd better have the Ark completed, or learn how to swim for a very long time." And six months passed. The skies began to cloud up and rain began to fall. The Lord saw that Noah was sitting in his front yard, weeping. And there was no Ark. "Noah," shouted the Lord, "where is My Ark?" A lightning bolt crashed into the ground next to Noah. "Lord, please forgive me!" begged Noah. "I did my best. But there were big problems. First I had to get a building permit for the Ark construction project, and your plans didn't meet code. So I had to hire an engineer to redraw the plans. Then I got into a big fight over whether or not the Ark needed a fire sprinkler system. My neighbours objected claiming I was violating zoning by building the Ark in my front yard, so I had to get a variance from the city planning commission. Then I had a big problem getting enough wood for the Ark because there was a ban on cutting trees to save the Spotted Owl. I had to convince U.S. Fish and Wildlife that I needed the wood to save the owls. But they wouldn't let me catch any owls. So no owls. Then the carpenters formed a union and went out on strike. I had to negotiate a settlement with the National Labour Relations Board before anyone would pick up a saw or a hammer. Now we have 16 carpenters going on the boat, and still no owls. Then I started gathering up animals, and got sued by an animal rights group. They objected to me taking only two of each kind. Just when I got the suit dismissed, EPA notified me that I couldn't complete the Ark without filing an environmental impact statement on your proposed flood. They didn't take kindly to the idea that they had no jurisdiction over the conduct of a Supreme Being. Then the Army Corps of Engineers wanted a map of the proposed new flood plan. I sent them a globe. Right now I'm still trying to resolve a complaint from the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission over how many Croatians I'm supposed to hire, the IRS has seized all my assets claiming I'm trying to avoid paying taxes by leaving the country, and I just got a notice from the state about owing some kind of use tax. I really don't think I can finish your Ark for at least another five years," Noah wailed. The sky began to clear. The sun began to shine. A rainbow arched across the sky. Noah looked up and smiled. "You mean you're not going to destroy the earth?" Noah asked, hopefully. "Wrong!" thundered the Lord. "But being Lord of the Universe has its advantages. I fully intend to smite the Earth, but with something far worse than a flood. Something Man invented himself—GOVERNMENT!" (www.appleseeds.org)