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Mass Times
St. Patrick's Church - Saturday 6pm Sunday 10:30am
Star of the Sea Church - Saturday 8pm Sunday 12 noon
St. Mary's Church - Sunday 9am

Weekday Masses:

St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay: Monday at 10am
Malin Oratory: Friday at 10am with Adoration Prayer until 6pm
Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head: Monday, Tuesday at 10am, Friday 8pm and Saturday at 12noon
St. Mary's Church, Lagg: Wednesday 9.30am and Saturday 9am

Stations of the Cross on Sunday at 6pm in St Patrick's Aughaclay.

St. Patrick's Day Mass: *St. Patrick's Church:* Friday at 6pm and Saturday Irish Mass at 10.30am
Star of the Sea Church: Friday at 8pm & Saturday at 12noon. **St Mary's Church:** Saturday at 9am

Holy & Saints Days: Sunday 11th March: *St. Aengus* Saturday 17th March: *St. Patrick*

Anniversary Mass: Francis Mc Daid, Bunn on Thursday 15th March at 7pm in St Patrick's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Danny & Francis Mc Daid, Bunn on Sunday 18th March at 9am in St Mary's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Ellen Nora Doherty, Malin Head on Sunday 18th March at 12 Noon in Star of the Sea Church.
First Anniversary: Steven McColgan, on Saturday 31st March in St Patrick's Aughaclay
Anniversary Mass: Sadie Mc Ginley, Ballygorman on Saturday 7th April at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.

Confessions: Saturday in St. Patrick's Church, 5.15pm - 5.45pm and Star of the Sea Church at 7.15pm -7.45pm.
 Parishioners are very welcome to make an appointment for confession with any of the priests outside of advertised times.

Collection on St Patrick's Day will be for Clerical Education and Ongoing Formation

	Aughaclay	Lagg	Malin Head
Parish	580	195	265
Restoration	580	195	265

Parish Fund –	€ 1,040
Restoration Fund –	€ 1,040

'Our Common Humanity' – statement of the Spring 2018 General Meeting of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference 06. MAR, 2018

As pastors we are aware that the conversation about unborn life is sensitive, delicate and, indeed, painful for many. We offer our reflections with the greatest of respect for everyone while wishing to make some points clearly and unambiguously.
Fundamental right

Every one of us has a right to our life. It is not given to us by the Constitution of Ireland or by any law. We have it 'as of right', whether we are wealthy or poor, healthy or sick. All human beings have it. For us as a society to now declare that any category of human being should have that right taken from them would be a shocking step. It effectively says that unborn children do not exist or, if they do, they do not count. That is a manifest injustice.

Life begins at conception

At every point, from conception on, the baby has the potential to realise the fullness of life that God intended. All that is needed is time and nurturing. Today we see more clearly that human life begins at conception. There is no later stage in a baby's development where we can say; 'up until now the foetus was not a person and now it has become a baby'.

Are we allowing ourselves to be desensitised?

Making abortion freely available desensitises people to the value of every human life. The scientific evidence about the beginning of human life has never been clearer. It is, therefore, a great irony that we in Ireland are for the first time in our history losing our clarity about the right to life of the unborn. Knowledge about the mysterious workings of DNA and the stunningly vivid evidence of ultrasound images of little persons in the earliest weeks in the womb should be making us more committed than ever to the protection of unborn life.

Choose life

The child in the womb has life and potential. However, like all babies, before birth or in the early years, she or he has no choice. Powerless to defend themselves they rely on the rest of us to protect their lives and vindicate their rights. By using the word 'choice' we need to remember that, for the baby waiting to be born, the choice we make can be a matter of life or death.

Two lives, one love

An expectant mother needs and deserves the care and support of everyone around her, particularly if her pregnancy poses a serious crisis for her and her family. A mother may be informed that her baby faces serious challenges or is perhaps terminally ill. She might be pregnant as a result of rape. Especially in those tragic cases both the mother and her unborn child can – and must – be loved and cherished.

A compassionate society will do all in its power to support and love the mother and baby, and encourage responsible support from fathers. This vision of life makes sense to people of all faiths and none. While it is enriched by our Catholic faith, it is our common humanity that convinces us of the right to life of every human being.

A declaration of equality

Article 40.3.3 is a declaration of equality and respect for human life. It represents, at the very foundations and substructure of our laws, a conviction that all human life is worth cherishing equally. To repeal this Article would leave unborn children at the mercy of whatever permissive abortion laws might be introduced in Ireland in the future.

We invite people of faith to pray earnestly that Ireland will “choose life” and that the lives of all women and their unborn children will always be loved, valued, welcomed and respected in this country.

Lenten Prayer and Celtic Praise, today Sunday 11th March, at 6.30pm in Cloncha Church, Malin Town. Ceolan will be providing music, and the guest preacher will be Revd Criostoir MacBruithin (Enniskillen). All will be very welcome.

First Confessions will take place on Thursday 22nd March at 7pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Parish Lenten Programme: The six-session parish conversation is a parish-based programme that explores key messages from The Joy of Love, letter of Pope Francis. It will take place at 5pm in Connolly Home and last one hour.

Malin Parish CEP Ltd has a vacancy for an office administrator on their current project. This position is based in the Malin Head Community Centre. DSP rules apply. Call Danny on 0868124568 or John on 0749370605 or the Malin head Community centre on 074 9370478

Malin Bingo is held in St Patrick's Hall, Malin every Sunday night at 8.30pm. The winners on Sunday, 4th March are: €65: Breda Doherty, Glengad. €130: Kate O'Connor, Carndonagh; Anne Marie Duffy Clonmany; Mary Billy, Glengad; Mary Doherty, Urris.

Malin Parish Draw for 4th March 1.€200: Patrick Mc Kinley, Middletown, Malin Head. 2.€130: Nuala Lynch, Culkeeny. 3.€65: Linda Mc Geoghegan, Milltown, Carndonagh.

Tenders from registered painting & decorating contractors are invited for painting of school building and boundary walls at Scoil Naomh Mhuire, Malin Head. Details from school Principal. Tenders to be submitted by Friday 23rd March 2018. Contact no 074 9370277.

Community Sports Field Draw for 4th March. There was no jackpot winner. The bonus numbers were 4,1,6,2,3,7,5, with ticket number 2, and the bonus winner was Kathleen Logan, Urblereagh. The jackpot is now €1650.

Ballymena NS Silver Circle: €120: Mary Doherty, Westown, Malin Head. €50: Barry Doherty, Moville. €30: Johnny Mc Dermott, Glengad.

Ceili and Olde Tyme ~Dance will be held in the Glengad Community Centre on Friday 16th March. Music is by Martin Duggan. Dancing from 9- 12 .Admission € 5 including supper. Thanking you Marian Doherty (0861558657)

Malin Social Centre would love to welcome new members at K and M Connolly Foundation, Malin from 11am to 4pm. Every Wednesday they have a full day of activities, and music by local artists. Transport is provided for all of the Malin area. Lunch and tea included for € 5. Come along and enjoy a day out! Contact Helen on 086 0333100 or Eleanor on 086 8370154 or just call in on Wednesdays.

The Malin head Community Centre has vacancies for workers under the TUS Scheme or the Rural social scheme, Contact the Centre on 074 9370478 or by email at malinheadcom@gmail.com for more information

Malin Head Youth Club are having a St. Patrick's Day Parade starting at 2 pm from the hall.

Malin GAA: Lotto There was no winner of this week's lotto jackpot of €1350. The numbers drawn were 5-2-4-3-7-1-6 and the €50 winner was Madge Doherty, Esky, Malin Head with the seller's prize going to Steven Farren. Next week's jackpot is €1400. **Big Breakfast:** This year's Big Breakfast will take place upstairs in the clubhouse on St Patrick's day from 9:30am-1:30pm. This is a great social event in the club calendar so why not come along for a chat and catch up and enjoy a fully cooked breakfast to set you up for the day ahead, all welcome - Adults €5, children €3. **Bocan Drama Club** are coming to St. Patrick's Hall, Malin on Friday 16th March at 8pm with this year's play, "Nobody talking to me", a comedy by Tommy Marren and based on past experiences this will be a fun show. Admission €7. This is in aid of Scoil Treasa Naofa, Malin. Also in Malin Head Community Centre on Sunday 25th March at 8pm.