

Parish of Malin (Clonca) Sunday 9th December 2018
Third Sunday of Advent (Year C – Psalter Week 3)

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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



Week Masses:

St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay: Monday and Tuesday at 10am,
Malin Oratory: Friday at 10am with Adoration Prayer until 6pm
Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head Monday, Tuesday at 10am and Thursday at 7:30pm
St. Mary's Church, Lagg: Wednesday at 7:30pm

Penitential Service for Christmas on Tuesday 18th December in St Patrick's Aughaclay At 7:30pm

Confessions: *Star of the Sea:* Thursday 20th December at 6:45 – 7:25pm
St. Patrick's Church: Friday 21st December at 7 – 8pm

Christmas Masses:

St. Patrick's Church: Christmas Eve, Monday 24th at 6pm and *Christmas Day*, Tuesday 25th at 10:30am
Star of the Sea Church: Christmas Eve, Monday 24th at 7pm and *Christmas Day*, Tuesday 25th at 11am
St. Mary's Church Christmas Day, Tuesday 25th at 9am

Holy & Saints Days: Tuesday 18th December: *St. Flannan* Thursday 20th December: *St. Fachanan*
 Friday 21st December: *St. Peter Canisius*

First Anniversary Mass: Charlie Monagle, Millbrook Ter. Malin on Sunday 16th December at 9am in St. Mary's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Mary Mc Daid, Bunn on Saturday 29th December at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.
Anniversary Mass: John Houton, Portaleen on Sunday 30th December at 10:30am in St. Patrick's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Jerry Kirby, Kilnoxtor on Sunday 30th December at 12 noon in Star of the Sea Church.
Anniversary Mass: Eugene Mc Geoghegan Snr, Crackna, on Saturday 5th January at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Jim Mullin on Saturday 5th January at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.
First Anniversary Mass: Sheila Mc Gonagle, Lematuder on Sunday 13th January at 9am in St. Mary's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Danny Glackin, Malin Head / Belfast, on Sunday 20th January at 9am in St. Mary's 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.

Collections for last week: Thank You.

	Aughaclay	Malin Head	Lagg
Parish	630	270	160
Restoration	630	270	165

Parish Fund –	€ 1,060
Restoration Fund –	€ 1,065

3rd Sunday of Advent: “Gaudete” (Rejoice) Sunday:

There is a clear note of joy in today's liturgy. Joy is a blend of laughter and tears.

It consists in having a love affair with life. It is having a heart aglow with warmth for all one's companions on the road of life. It is looking for the happiness that comes in small packages, knowing that big packages are few and far between. It is making the most of the present, enjoying what is at hand right now.

Joy is love bubbling over into life. And it can coexist with pain. Joy is the flag we fly when Christ, the Prince of Peace, has taken up residence in our hearts.

Parish Prayer Day for Marriage and Family Life: Next week, Thursday the 20th of December from 12 midnight and all through Thursday, our parish prays for the 24 hours for Marriage & Family Life. This is part of a Movement of Continuous Prayer for Marriage & Family Life as other parishes and groups take on the prayer for the other days of the month. This month we pray that the new Liturgical year will be one in which we all draw closer to Christ, especially in our families and through the Sacrament of marriage and one in which we can make Christ known and loved in our homes and communities. Everyone is invited to join in this prayer, either by taking on an hour, or by including this intention in your own prayer during that day; by including it in the prayers of the Masses celebrated on that day; by inviting the schools of the parish to involve the children and young people in praying for it; by asking any prayer groups that are meeting on that day to also include a prayer for it. Some Thoughts: Christmas is very much centre-stage all through the month of December. This is true commercially and it is true from the point of view of our Christian faith. Sometimes people say that Christmas is

for children. This could not be further from the truth. Rather Christmas is the time when we are taught by children. First of all we are taught by the child born in Bethlehem, Jesus the Son of God and the Son of Mary. He teaches us the most important message for human life, namely the wonderful love that God has for us and for all human beings. Secondly Christmas is a time when children teach us the important things of our own lives. They teach us that our family life is the most important thing of all as we prepare for this great feast. They teach us the importance of joy in our homes as they laugh and look forward to, not just Santa, but also to the Crib. They teach us the importance of a sense of wonder about the mystery of life as their eyes open wide with wonder at everything during this time. They teach us the importance of love and affection by their hugs and kisses. They teach us a sense of adventure as they live this season with freshness and with expectation. And they teach us the importance of taking time with one another and not just giving things to one another.

And Christmas itself is celebrated around the Crib where Jesus Mary and Joseph are presented to us as the very core of this very special event. This is followed up by the feast of the Holy Family, giving us an opportunity to consecrate our family to them and set out to become an ever greater family through our love for one another and for our God who loves us so much. A child is born for us. The Joy of Love – Pope Francis

Every family should look to the icon of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Its daily life had its share of burdens and even nightmares, as when they met with Herod's implacable violence. Like the Magi, our families are invited to contemplate the Child and his Mother, to bow down and worship him. Like Mary they are asked to face their family's challenge with courage and serenity, in good times and in bad, and to keep in their heart the great things God has done. (30) Family prayer is a special way of expressing and strengthening this paschal faith. A few minutes can be found each day to come together before the living God, to tell God our worries, to ask for the needs of our family, to pray for someone experiencing difficulty, to ask for help in showing love, to give thanks for life and its blessings, and ask Our Lady to protect us beneath her maternal mantle. (318)

Prayer before The Blessed Sacrament: Every Friday Malin Oratory 10am – 6pm. All Welcome.

Visitation of the Sick: Fr Devlin and Fr Logue will attend the sick on Tuesday 18th December.

Malin Community Carol Singing and Live Crib on the village green in Malin on next Sunday 23rd Dec at 7pm. A Crib will be erected by the Malin branch of the IFA and there will be live animals, shepherds etc. mince pies and fruit punch will be served to the adults and Santa will be there for the children with something for everyone. Come along and join us at this Festive Season.

Trocaire Christmas Appeal: 'Do not let the downtrodden retreat in confusion, give the poor and needy cause to praise your name.' Psalm 74:21. Visit www.trocaire.org to find out more.

Scoil Cholmcille, Glengad will present "Aladdin" in Glengad Community Centre on Wednesday 19th December at 7pm. A wonderful opportunity to experience an exceptional production in the Festive Season !!!

50th Anniversary of Glengad School: Shout out for old school photos, stories, memorabilia or anything that would be of interest. If you have, anything please contact Teish Crua 0861683842 or Ann Barron (Memmie) 0863092634. All photos etc. will be returned or e-mail: glengadns50@gmail.com. **A Dinner Dance to Celebrate the Anniversary** will be held on Friday 23rd August 2019 in the Ballyliffin Hotel.

We are seeking staff for **Glengad Community Centre** under the TÚS scheme. For further details or if interested please contact Inishowen Development Partnership on 0749373083

Scoil Treasa Naofa, Malin are looking for projected enrolments for the next three years, if you have a child who will be starting school with us, please send your name, address and contact number, and your child's name and D.O.B. to treasanaofa@eircom.net or 0749370617.

Malin Bingo is held in St Patrick's Hall, Malin every Sunday night at 8.30pm. The winners on Sunday, 9th December are: Hampers: Eileen Harkin, Carndonagh; Nuala Doherty, Malin Well, Malin Head. Turkeys: Madeline Mc Crossan, Clonmany; Eileen Coyle, Isle of Doagh, Kathleen Doherty, Carndonagh; Theresa Duffy, Gleneely. €100: Patricia Crumlish, Moville; Mary Comiskey, Clonmany; Sheila Mc Laughlin, Moville; Kathleen Coffey, Malin Head. Snowball €500 on 46 numbers. €300 on 48 numbers. Christmas side prizes: Turkeys and hampers and side prizes!:

Malin Head Community Association Five Alive Draw for Saturday 8th December 2018. €1500: ball no. 15: Paul Monagle. €750: ball no. 43: Jimmy Ward. €500: ball no. 17: Enid Stewart. €250: ball no. 41: Bridie McDaid. €250: ball no. 9: Maria Stevens. €250: ball no. 17: Tori Ward. Congratulations to all. Thank you to the community for your support.

Community Sports Field Draw for 9th December. There was no jackpot winner. Numbers drawn were 2,3,6,1,7,4,5. The bonus winner was Laura Doherty, with ticket number 13. The jackpot is now €3750.**Malin Parish Draw** for 9th December: 1.€200: Phonsie Mc Ginley, Bree, Malin Head. 2.€130: Kathleen Kelly, Ballysalla, Glengad. 3.€65: Julie and Mark Mc Laughlin, Umgal, Malin Head.

Malin Head Youth Club AGM on January 8th 2019 at 8.00 pm in the Community Hall.