

Parish of Malin (Clonca) Sunday 27th February 2022
8th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C Week 4)

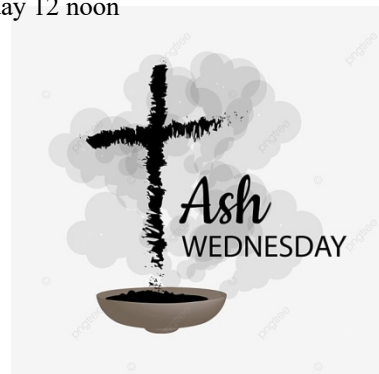
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Mass Times
 St. Patrick's Church - Saturday 6pm Sunday 10:30am
 Star of the Sea Church - Saturday 8pm Sunday 12 noon
 St. Mary's Church - Sunday 9am
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Web Site: www.malinparish.ie **Facebook:** Malin Parish

Ash Wednesday Masses:

St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay: Wednesday at 10 30am and 7.30pm
Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head: Wednesday at 8am and 7:30pm
St. Mary's Church, Lagg: Wednesday at 9:30am

Weekday Masses:

St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay: Monday at 7.30pm, Wednesday 10 30am and 7 30pm
Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head: Monday at 10am and Friday 7.30pm
St. Mary's Church, Lagg: Thursday at 9:30am



Month's Mind Mass: Willie McLaughlin, Davey of Cuill, on Saturday 26th February at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.
Month's Mind Mass: Sister Teresa (Brigid Mc Gilloway) on Sunday 27th February at 9am in St. Mary's Church.
First Anniversary Mass: Billy Farren, Glentoskert on Saturday 5th March at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.
Month's Mind Mass: Frances Coffey, Carnmalin on Saturday 5th March at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.
Anniversary Mass: Thomas and Sadie Gallagher, Magherard on Sunday 13th March at 9am in St. Mary's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Mary Anne & Roger Doherty, Lower Braghy on Saturday 19th March at 9am in Star of the Sea Church.
First Anniversary Mass: John McDermott, Bunn Glengad on Saturday 9th April in St. Patrick's Church.
Anniversary Mass: Rose Gallagher, Francistown, on Saturday 30th April at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.
First Anniversary Mass: Isabella Mc Laughlin, Lower Braghy on Sunday 9th May at 9am in St. Mary's Church.

Parish Collection: Given the serious financial deficit which the parish suffered due to Covid your increased support is essential at this time. Please make cheques payable to "Malin Parochial". Envelopes for the Parish Collection are available in all churches.

Collections for the last week: Thank You.

	<i>Aughaclay</i>	<i>Malin Head</i>	<i>Lagg</i>
<i>Parish</i>	450	170	155
<i>Restoration</i>	450	170	155

Parish Fund –	€775
Restoration Fund –	€775

SYNOD Rome 2023: Pope Francis has asked that every parish throughout the world participate in a consultation on the living of our faith and how we can respond to the challenges of our times. The yellow pages give fuller details of this process and how we can join in his call to renewal and faith. See also on Malin Parish and Derry Diocesan website/synod.

No Greater Love – Five-week 'zoom' programme, each session lasting one hour, with a time for prayer, sharing and reflection. This programme is considered a great way to prepare our hearts and minds for the holiest of seasons in the Church calendar. In a series of short films shot on location in the Holy land, No Greater Love is a biblical pilgrimage, taking us through the key events of Christ's passion and revealing His amazing love for us. Best-selling author, Edward Sri, will guide us through the final hours of Christ's life. You will walk step by step with Jesus through the Scriptures from the Garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Hosted by the Living Church Office in Down & Connor diocese, there are six 'starting' options to choose from: Tuesday 8th March at 7:30pm, Wednesday 9th March at 7:30pm, Thursday 10th March at 11am or 7pm, Monday 14th March at 11am or 7pm. Please consider participating! To book your place please click on the link: <https://forms.office.com/r/TZkWYFSAHR>.

Senior Lunch Club @ Malin Townhouse from 1-3pm, last Friday of the month. Cosy surroundings, meet new people, 2 course lunch & it's free. Places limited to 30ppl and booking is essential. Call or message 083 8997 156 to book.

The AGM for Malin Head Youth Club has been postponed to Wednesday the 2nd March at 7pm. Everyone welcome.

Exploring Priesthood – Zoom with Seminarians and Priests: On Tuesday 1st March at 8pm there will be an opportunity for men to join in on a Zoom meeting to find out more about priesthood and to hear directly from a priest and from two young men who are currently studying for the priesthood in our National Seminary in Maynooth. The event is being run by the National Vocations Office. Further information and registration details by emailing info@vocations.ie or alternatively by visiting vocations.ie/zoom The Zoom session should end by 9.30pm at the latest. There will be a short time watching YouTube videos on priesthood and vocation, a Questions & Answers session with seminarians and panel.

Counselling: A professional confidential counselling service is available for couples or individuals through ACCORD at the Pastoral Centre, Carndonagh, Co. Donegal, F93 XP59. Contact 074 9374103 or e-mail accordinishowen@gmail.com. Accord Inishowen are hosting **Virtual Interactive Marriage Preparation Programme (Pre-Marriage) Courses** via Zoom for 2022. To book: www.accord.ie/services/marriage-preparation or email for information accordinishowen@gmail.com.

Trocaire is delighted to offer its Lenten workshops this year again. Please register so we have knowledge of numbers attending. You can register here on this link for our workshops- <https://forms.gle/jbb8mxLt8t1NpSzU8>. In preparation for these workshops- please have a look at our resources for Lent on our parish page; <https://www.trocaire.org/our-work/working-in-ireland/parishes/lent-2022/>

The Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 3rd – 8th July 2022. Cost: £689 per person sharing, €150 with single room supplement. Price includes flights, transfers and full board. The pilgrimage will be suitable for pilgrims who do not require medical, nursing or personal assistance which cannot be provided this year. The intentions of the sick can be taken to Lourdes. The Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, will be open for enquires and application forms on Thursdays and Saturdays, 11am – 1pm, from 3rd March. Tel: 028 71 260293 or email derrypilgrim@outlook.com.

Lenten Men's Rosary: Of repentance, reparation and conversion on the 5 first Saturdays of the month starting on Saturday 5th March in the Diamond Carndonagh at 1pm in union with public rosaries being said in towns throughout Ireland.

The Net – February: is now available on the Diocesan website – <https://www.derrydiocese.org/publications/the-net/the-net-february-2022.pdf>. For coverage of faith stories just email editorthenet15@gmail.com. Including: Another good turnout for Men's Rosary, Seven Sisters & Fasting Brothers Apostolate, Malin nun's ministry second only to desire for Adoration – Remembering Sr Teresa. **Malin GAA** is looking to source land in the Malin Parish or the surrounding areas to develop a training ground. If anyone is selling or leasing land long term, can they contact the Club Secretary: Brendan Monagle on 086 3777 015.

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45 *We cannot offer guidance unless we see the way clearly ourselves*

Jesus told them a parable: "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye.

"No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit; for each tree is known by its own fruit. Figs are not gathered from thorns, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. The good person out of the good treasure of the heart produces good, and the evil person out of evil treasure produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks."

Peace and Quiet

In today's world it's hard to find a little peace and quiet in order to meet oneself and God. It's not easy to avoid the constant harassment of all kinds of calls and messages. The worries and hurry of each day take up our whole attention. Not even in our own home, pervaded by television and digital media, is it easy to find the tranquility and recollection we need to joyfully relax with God.

Have we forgotten what it means to pause, interrupt our hurry, free our minds for a few moments and let ourselves be penetrated by the silence and calm of sacred space? Often it's enough to stand still and be silent for a short time, in order to quiet the spirit and recover lucidity and peace. How much we need to find the silence that helps us to enter into contact with our very selves in order to recover our freedom and to rescue once again all our inner energy.

Accustomed to noise and agitation, we don't suspect the wellness that can come from silence and being alone. Eager for news, images and impressions, we've forgotten how to be nourished and enriched in the deepest depths of our being.

Without some inner silence, we can't hear God, recognize the divine presence in our life and grow from within as human beings and as believers. According to Jesus, people draw goodness from the store of goodness in their hearts. Goodness doesn't blossom without help. We need to cultivate it and make it grow in the depth of our heart. How our lives would blossom if we stopped to notice what God is stirring up in our heart.

For the Right Reason

Jesus warns us not to judge others. He lays down the premise that since we all have faults, we have no right to judge the faults of others. What is striking about a meeting of recovering alcoholics is this shared admission of weakness. Each is encouraged to take the first step towards reform: admitting that he or she has a difficulty that he needs help to control. Each is encouraged by the others to stay sober. Among the general public our specific weakness is less obvious than the addiction that grips an alcoholic. But we find it even harder to admit our weakness, even to ourselves. Rather we prefer to give the impression that we are just fine, and in no need of the compassion of others.

On the other hand, some are responsible for guiding and encouraging others. Parents have the responsibility of showing their children, by example of course, but also in words, how to lead a decent life. The Gospel reminds us that the blind cannot lead the blind, that we need to remove the log out of our own eye in order to be able to help (though not to judge) others. One cannot undertake to guide others until one has a good sense of values: one must not only be well-informed, but also be committed to correcting one's deficiencies. As every teacher knows, you really begin to learn something when you try to teach it to others. Every parent knows that just because he or she becomes aware of the need to teach the children how to live he or she is encouraged to behave in a more Christian way.

Jesus warns against self-righteousness. Just keeping the letter of the law is not enough, for God searches the heart. We need to do the right thing from the right intention. He wants us to practice self-criticism and be aware of our motives. We need to turn to God within our hearts, to purify our inmost intentions. This is what King David meant when he prayed, "Lord, create in me a pure heart; put a steadfast spirit within me."