

Parish of Malin (Clonca) Sunday 10th April 2022
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (Year C Week 2)



Fr. Peter Devlin P.P.	Fr. Charley Logue C.C.	Mass Times
Malin	Malin Head	St. Patrick's Church - Saturday 6pm Sunday 10:30am
074 93 70615	074 93 70134	Star of the Sea Church - Saturday 8pm Sunday 12 noon
E-Mail: malinparish@hotmail.com		St. Mary's Church - Sunday 9am
Web Site: www.malinparish.ie	Facebook: Malin Parish	

Weekday Masses:

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

Parish Reconciliation Service (+Confession) for Easter will be on today Sunday 10th April at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Confessions: Saturday in *St. Patrick's Church* at 6:15 – 6.45pm and *Star of the Sea Church* at 7:15-7:45pm. *St. Patrick's Church* on Thursday at 6:45- 7:30pm and Friday after 3pm Ceremony. *Star of the Sea, Church* on Tuesday and Thursday at 6:45 – 7:25pm and Friday after 3pm Ceremony.

Holy Thursday: Mass of The Lord's Supper: *St. Patrick's Church* at 7:30pm with Adoration until 9pm. *Star of the Sea Church* at 7:30pm followed by Adoration until 9:30pm.

Good Friday: Morning Prayer of the Church and Rosary in *Star of the Sea Church* at 10am. Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm in both *St. Patrick's Church* and in *Star of the Sea Church*.

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil at 7pm in *St. Patrick's Church* and at 8pm in *Star of the Sea Church*. Please bring candles.

Easter Sunday: Masses as Usual.

Divine Mercy Novena: Star of the Sea Church begins on Good Friday and ends with Devotions on Sunday 24th April at 6pm.

First Anniversary Mass: John McDermott, Bunn Glengad on Saturday 9th April at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.

First Anniversary Mass: Noreen Mc Gonagle on Sunday 10th April at 9am in St. Mary's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Kathleen Kelly, Drumcarbit on Friday 22nd April at 7:30pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Months Mind Mass: Bridie Mc Geoghegan, Crackna on Saturday 23rd April, at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Months Mind Mass: Barbara Doherty, on Sunday 24th April, at 12noon in Star of the Sea Church.

Anniversary Mass: Paddy Harkin, Drumcarbit, on Monday 25th April at 7.30 in St Patrick's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Rose Gallagher, Francistown, on Saturday 30th April at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Bill Monagle, Donegard, on Saturday 30th April at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.

First Anniversary Mass: Isabella Mc Laughlin, Lower Braghly on Sunday 8th May at 9am in St. Mary's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Louise Colhoun on Friday 13th May at 7:30pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Eamon Devlin, Templemoyle on Monday 30th May at 7.30pm in St Patrick's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Eileen Mc Carron, Templemoyle, on Saturday 4th June at 6pm in St Patrick's Church.

First Anniversary Mass: Michael Deery, Keenagh on Saturday 4th June at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.

Anniversary Mass: Richard Douglas, Carthage Mountain, on Sunday 5th June at 10.30 am in St Patrick's Church.

First Anniversary Mass: Maire Doherty, Umgal on Sunday 12th June 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.

PARISH DRAW FOR MARCH

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6/3	216 PAUL HARKIN	257 MAGGIE DOHERTY	162 EILISH MC LAUGHLIN
13/3	131 STEPHEN MC LAUGHLIN	349 MONICA SIMPSON	402 MARGORIE MC DERMOTT
20/3	332 AIDAN MC LAUGHLIN	424 PAT MC LAUGHLIN	366 AYLA FAULKNER
27/3	317 RUTH AND PHILIP WHITE	278 MAJELLA MC DAID	311 SEAMUS MC LAUGHLIN

Sharing the Good News: The current issue can also be linked to and downloaded from the home page of www.catholicbishops.ie.

Online Easter Triduum Retreat. The retreat consists of four short video reflections based on the artwork of the Dominican artist Fra Angelico. The presenter is Michael Dunleavy OP a member of the Irish Dominican Province. He studied theology at the Dominican House of Studies, Tallaght and the Angelicum University, Rome. Michael has always had a keen interest in music and the arts; and, in his Dominican ministry, has preached retreats and presented conferences on the theme of the beauty of the Christian faith as portrayed in masterpieces of art and masterworks of music. Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday. Visit our website prioryinstitute.com or <https://bit.ly/3DWrTkx>.

Easter Retreat at SMA Dromantine Retreat Centre: Wed. 13th April at 5pm – Easter Sun 17th April at 9am. This will be an opportunity for quiet reflection as we celebrate the ceremonies of the Easter Triduum. It begins with the Seder Meal on the Wednesday and ends with Dawn Mass and Easter breakfast. Cost (accommodation and meals) £340 / €400. Tel: 02830821964 admin@dromantineconference.com

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.

Carrowmenagh Community Centre (93 67251) A few places are still left on our new 8 week Introduction to Upholstery course starting on Wednesday 13th April at 7-9pm. The Course Tutor is John Bonner, one of Inishowen's finest Upholsterer and Furniture Restorers.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION:

Philippians 2:6-11 *The self-emptying of God's loving servant, to save his people*

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death " even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Like us in all things but sin

"He was oppressed and was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth. Like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is dumb, so he opened not his mouth" (Is 53:7). For the followers of Christ, this Isaiah text evokes a response deep down within us, seeing how they apply to God's only beloved Son, and how he died for all of us. In the words of St Peter, "without having seen him you have come to believe in him, and so you are filled already with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described" (1 Pet 1:8). Without this sincere love of Christ, we are no true followers of his. We cannot say we fully love him, until we appreciate what he suffered for us.

Having just heard the Passion narrative there is no need to retrace in great detail the events there described. But we might reflect how Christ was no stranger to hardship, privation and suffering, long before that final day of his life. "Being in the form of God," as St Paul says, from the moment he came on earth, Jesus emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, becoming as human beings are (Phil 2:6f). He, the most high God, suffered the hardships of the poor, at times not even having a place to lay his head. He endured hunger and thirst, and after long days surrounded by crowds seeking a cure, he often spent whole nights at prayer in the hills. Despite his compassion for all who came to him, he met with hatred and rejection, in particular from Pharisees and priests, who planned to have him killed. How this rejection and hatred must have grieved him. King Lear knew "How sharper than a serpent's tooth it is, to have a thankless child;" and how must Jesus have felt at being rejected by the people he had chosen, above all others.

The cruelly disfigured face was the face of the Son of God. The forehead streaming with blood, the hands and feet nailed to the Cross, the body lacerated with scourges, the side pierced with a lance, these were the forehead, the hands and feet, the sacred body, the side of the eternal Word, made visible in Jesus. Why such suffering? We can only say with Isaiah, "It was for our transgressions he was smitten, for our sins he was brought low. On him lay the punishment that brings us healing, through his wounds we are made whole" (Is 53:5ff). God, our Father, grant that your Son's suffering for us may not be in vain.

The Greatest Week

Today we are beginning the best week in the whole liturgical year. Centuries ago it was called the '*Great Week*'. Nowadays we Catholics call it '*Holy Week*'. We follow Jesus every step of the way. We start with his triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where he is welcomed, applauded and acclaimed, by a big crowd of followers. On Thursday we will join him at table and receive the gift of himself in bread and wine. After dining with him we will walk with him along the path that leads from the Upper Room to the Garden of Olives. There we will see him falling to the ground in fear and anxiety about the cruel death that awaits him. Friday will find us standing beside his mother at the foot of the cross, and feeling compassion for him in both his physical agony and his mental torment.

We will be feeling especially some of his sense of being alone and abandoned, betrayed and deserted, not only by friends and followers, but even by God. On Saturday we will be quiet and silent around his tomb, as we remember the injustice, hostility and cruelty, of all those evil men who murdered him. Then, late on Saturday, we will move from the darkness of our journey to the place of the brightly burning fire. There we will join the procession of the great Easter Candle, representing the risen Christ, as he lights up the darkness of our church and lives.

There and then, the pain and sadness of our journey with Jesus to Calvary, will give way to the hope and joy that comes with our awareness. Jesus Christ is not dead and gone. No, he is alive, strong and powerful, alive in himself, and alive in us. And so we will be hearing in our hearts those assuring words that Juliana of Norwich in her vision of Christ Crucified heard from his own lips: '*All will be well, all will be well, all manner of things will be well.*'