# Parish of Malin (Clonca) Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter (Year C Week 4)

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St. Mary's Church - Sunday 9am

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Weekday Masses:

St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay: Friday at 7:30pm

**Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head:** Friday at 7:30pm

St. Mary's Church, Lagg: Wednesday at 11am, . Funeral of Mary Bridget Rudden, Dunbarton, Scotland, and Malin Head.

**Month's Mind Mass:** Mary Mc Laughlin, Ballyheeney on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church. **First Anniversary Mass:** Isabella Mc Laughlin, Lower Braghy on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 9am in St. Mary's Church.

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

**Anniversary Mass and Burial of Ashes:** Bobby Monagle, Manchester/ Donegard on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm in Star of the Sea Church.

First Anniversary Mass: Eamon Devlin, Templemoyle on Tuesday 31st 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.

**Anniversary Mass:** Richard Douglas, Carthage Mountain, on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church **First Anniversary Mass:** Michael Deery, Keenagh on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church..

First Anniversary Mass: Maire Doherty, Umgal on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> 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". **Collections for the last week: Thank You.** 

	Aughaclay	Malin Head	Lagg
Parish	605	375	200
Restoration	605	370	200

Parish Fund – € 1180 Restoration Fund € 1175

Confirmation Rehearsal on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm in St Patrick's Aughaclay for Candidates and Sponsors. First Communion: *Malin Town* and *Glengad* on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May 12Noon. *Malin Head* and *Urbalreagh*, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May 12Noon.

**An open-air Mass** for all the children in the diocese who will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation this year. It will take place in Celtic Park, Lone Moor Road, Derry BT48 9LB on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022 beginning at 11:30am and finishing around 1pm. This will be a great opportunity for all the children in the diocese, sealed in the Holy Spirit, to come together in the celebration of the Eucharist. It will also mark in a special way the ending of their primary school years.

**Trocaire Boxes** should be returned to the churches as soon as possible. Thanks for your generosity. Trocaire is part of the group of charities now supporting Ukrainian refugees.

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service is currently recruiting volunteers to train as Marriage Preparation Programme Facilitators. Accord Inishowen is seeking registration of interest from those who have a positive attitude towards marriage in the Catholic Church and the enthusiasm to be part of a team supporting couples who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage. Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally in accordance with best practice. Contact Aisling 01 5053112 or by email to marriageprepartion@accord.ie The closing date for receipt of registration of interest forms to be included in selections for this year is Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> 2022. *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.

The Women of Faith Conference 2022 is LIVE on Radio Maria Ireland on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May from 2pm. We are blessed to have the following speakers. Sister Consilio (Cuan Mhuire), Wendy Grace (Catholic Speaker), Fr. Freddy Warner, SMA, Sister Susan Evangelist (Sister of Mercy) and Dr. Edward Sri (Scripture Scholar). Please join us for this blessed event sponsored by Totus Tuus Magazine. Radio Maria Ireland is accessible by: Going online at <a href="https://www.radiomaria.ie">www.radiomaria.ie</a>. Download the Radio Maria IRELAND App to your smartphone or tablet. Listen live via Facebook. Call 01 4373277 and listen live. Listen through your TV on SAORVIEW Channel 210.

**CPR and Defibrillator Skills**: if you are interested to learn, I will do a house to house call (on your terms of course) Children welcome...ring Teresa on 086 8476 845.

**Derry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes** 3<sup>rd</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022, (ex Belfast) £689 pp sharing. Places are still available: contact the Pilgrimage Office, 164 Bishop Street, Derry, tel 028 71260293 or email <a href="mailto:derrypilgrim@outlook.com">derrypilgrim@outlook.com</a>. All intending pilgrims are asked to return application forms and full payment by Saturday 28 May.

**Men's Rosary:** The third of our Inishowen Men's Rosary for repentance, reparation and conversion on the five first Saturdaysgoing around the towns of Inishowen -will take place on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 1pm in the market square, Moville. Our Lady of

Fatima asked that we keep the five first Saturdays by going to confession, communion and saying the rosary and meditating on the mysteries for 15 minutes. The men of Inishowen are doing the rosary and meditation for this in a different town each month as part of this request. All men welcome to attend.

### PARISH DRAW FOR APRIL

	200	100	50
3/4	372 EILEEN BYRNE	210 FIONA MC GONAGLE	397 CATHERINE HEGARTY
10/4	354 JOHN MC GUINNESS	184 ROSE GALLAGHER	180 PAT MC LAUGHLIN
17/4	181 MARIE MC GINLEY	351 HENRY MC CLOSKEY	332 SEAN MC GEOGHEGAN
24/4	345 RUTH AND PHILIP WHITE	383 JOHN A DOHERTY	385 MAJELLA GIBBONS

Thanks to all who support the Parish Draw which begins again. New members are always welcome. Winners are requested to process their cheques promptly.

**Concert For Ukraine** featuring "The Magnificent Seven Crew" in partnership with the Derry Branch of Concern Worldwide: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June, in the Millennium Forum, with over 30 top singers and entertainers from Derry City and beyond, who are giving of their time freely to help those suffering as a result of the terrible devastation being inflicted on the people of Ukraine. Tickets, £16.50, are available online or at the Millennium Forum Box Office. All proceeds from the show will go to the Ukrainian humanitarian appeal.

# 1st Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52 Paul and Barnabas preach first to the Jews, then to the pagans

They went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia. And on the sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down.... When the meeting of the synagogue broke up, many Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to continue in the grace of God.

The next sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy; and blaspheming, they contradicted what was spoken by Paul. Then both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saying, "It was necessary that the word of God should be spoken first to you. Since you reject it and judge yourselves to be unworthy of eternal life, we are now turning to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, 'I have set you to be a light for the Gentiles, so that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."

When the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and praised the word of the Lord; and as many as had been destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread throughout the region. But the Jews incited the devout women of high standing and the leading men of the city, and stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and drove them out of their region. So they shook the dust off their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

### Gospel: John 10:27-30 Christ is the true Shepherd, who knows each one personally

And Jesus said to his disciples: "My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

### Who will answer the call?

Paul and Barnabas were urgent in preaching the gospel, according to Luke's narrative in the Acts of the Apostles. They disregarded every attempt by their critics to stop them. Threats were ignored, and they seemed driven by an inner God-given sense of mission to promote faith in Jesus. This links well with the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, who invites people to follow him to eternal life. The church today invites us to pray for vocations to the priesthood and the consecrated life, since such vocations play an active part in handing on the faith. All Christians believe that God is love and goodness. But love and goodness need to be communicated to others, "in season and out of season."

The Holy Spirit inspired evangelical zeal in the early Church, making them eager to share their faith with others. When the first missionaries passed from the scene, there was no scarcity of others to take their place. It was this willingness to take an active part that kept the church alive and spreading. We admire the missionary zeal of the early Church, and that of the Irish people during that era when missionaries from these shores spread abroad the ideals of loving God and living together in harmony and peace. But the question is, who will answer that kind of calling, today?

Most vocations to a life of service are first nurtured within the family. The French Jesuit, scientist and philosopher, Teilhard de Chardin, once said, "It was in my family that I became who I am. Most of my opinions, of my likes and dislikes, of my values and judgments, my behaviour, my tastes, were moulded by the family I came from." Parents remain the first and most important teachers of the faith, and of ideals. In fulfilling this role they should try to make daily prayer a natural part of life within the home. By so doing, they may sow the seeds of those vocations which will serve the spiritual needs of the next generation. Church leaders need to think soberly about the structures that can help foster genuine vocations to ministry in the future. It may well be that celibacy needs to be made optional for priesthood, so that all local communities can be provided with Mass and the sacraments. Vocation to ministry must be seen in the context of viable spirituality here and now, the spiritual values and aspirations of the community which is to be served.

Just as Christ called some to be his evangelists, so he calls you and me into his service. What I do, how I live as his follower, concerns others too. On this special Sunday, we ask God's blessing, that volunteers will feel drawn to continue Christ's work. His wish for his disciples was quite explicit, "Pray to the Lord of the harvest, to send labourers to his harvest" (Mt 9:37).