



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: Tuesday and Wednesday 7.30pm

Anniversary Mass: William Synott on Saturday 2nd July at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Molly, Maurice O'Connor and Packie Toner on Sunday 31st July at 9am in St. Mary's Church.

Anniversary Mass: Mary Mc Daid, Ballysalla, on Sunday 31st July at 10.30am in St Patrick's Church

Anniversary Mass: Ellen Gorman, Carnmalin on Saturday 6th August at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.

First Anniversary Mass: Colleen Feeney, Glengad Mountain on Saturday 13th August at 8pm in Star of the Sea 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.**

	<i>Aughaclay</i>	<i>Malin Head</i>	<i>Lagg</i>
<i>Parish</i>	430	245	185
<i>Restoration</i>	425	240	185

Parish Fund	€ 860
Restoration Fund	€ 850

Mass for the dead of Malin Parish on Sunday 14th August, 9am in Lagg, with blessing of graves afterwards and at 3pm in St Patrick's Aughaclay.

June Edition of the Diocesan Paper "The Net" is available on the Diocesan website : www.derrydiocese.org

Synod Report - What has been heard.? The people of the Diocese of Derry along with other Catholics all around the world have taken part in parish consultations in recent months in response to the call from Pope Francis to give their views on the type of church they want. It's the first time such a process has ever taken place. As you know, it is all leading up to the global Synod which will take place in Rome next year. The Diocese of Derry submitted its report on its consultations to the Irish Synodal Pathway Steering Committee on May 29th. This report can be viewed at: <https://www.derrydiocese.org/synod-report>.

'Prayer By Telephone': The Sisters of Mercy, Bethany House of Prayer, Dundalk, welcome any person who may wish to request prayer. All requests are confidential. Tel 00353 42 9331 602, between 9am – 9pm every day.

Lough Derg Three Day Pilgrimage runs until 15th August (Saturday 13th Aug is the final day to begin the Pilgrimage). Cost €80. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups. All booking information, including information on organised parish groups, available at www.loughderg.org, email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518.

Counselling: A professional confidential counselling service is available for couples or individuals through ACCORD at the Pastoral Centre, Carndonagh. F93 XP59. Contact 074 9374103 or e-mail accordinishowen@gmail.com. Accord Inishowen are hosting a **Marriage Preparation Programme (Pre-Marriage) In Person Course** on Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd October 2022 in Carndonagh. To book: www.accord.ie/services/marriage-preparation or email for information accordinishowen@gmail.com.

This weekend the Diocesan Pilgrimage will travel to Lourdes for the first time since July 2019. We will carry the prayer intentions of the Diocese to the Grotto. Please keep us in your prayers and remember that you may follow us online at www.Lourdes-france.org

The next Matt Talbot, Freedom from Addiction Mass takes place on Monday 4th July at 7:30pm in St. Eugene's Cathedral, Derry. We welcome you to join us at this Mass to pray for all those battling addiction, their families and all those affected by addiction. We pray specifically at this Mass for all those enrolled in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society. If you wish to enrol somebody in the Matt Talbot Prayer Society please call 028 71262894 or email vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com.

Family Fun Day takes place in Muff Community Park on Sunday 10th July 2-5pm, admission €10 per family, with activities including bouncy castles, fancy dress, traditional sports/races, penalty kick competition, horseshoe throwing, bonny baby and much more. Everyone is welcome. **Car Boot Sale** is on the second Saturday of the month, outdoors in Muff Community Park, the next date is Saturday 9th July 2-5pm, to book a table call 074 93 84572, call on the day and have a browse.

The Iosas Centre Cafe in Muff (adjacent to White Oaks) is starting a Sunday Carvery starting on 3rd July, serving meals from 12.30-3pm. Delicious starters, mains and desserts, using our own organic vegetables. Booking is recommended and take away is available. Phone no.: 0749384866. Why not finish your afternoon with a walk in our beautiful Celtic Prayer Garden. (1 course €12.50/2 courses €15.50/3 courses €19.50).

The Cairn Theatre Group will present The Shadows of Glenveigh every Tuesday during July & August at 8pm. The story of the Glenveigh evictions told through drama and song. Enquiries Tel: 0749381104 Email: patsycavanagh2@gmail.com

Gleneely Sports will take place on Sunday 24th July @2pm at Gleneely Colts Football grounds. All the usual races, sideshows and stalls, along with BBQ & Tea room with home baking. A 5k walk/race will also take place on Friday 22nd July @7pm in Gleneely. All Support Welcome. Any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0868574838.

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 *Jesus sent the seventy missionaries to share in his powerful ministry* The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' And I tell you, on that day it will be more tolerable for Sodom than for that town.

The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Going two by two

When Jesus sent out his volunteers to continue his work, he gave them definite directions. Afterwards they returned in a spirit of celebration, to report their missionary success. At election times we get lots of literature in the post, or through social media, or people call to the door, to canvass our vote. The canvassers, who usually travel in twos, will be well briefed, and they have their arguments polished and ready. Since they are representing the election candidate, and, therefore, they stay "on message", echoing the political manifesto of the candidate's party. On a regular basis, they return to headquarters to report on progress. Today's gospel is about a deeper target than vote-seeking votes, but there are similarities. He sent them out in pairs. Although Jesus called each one individually, he never sent missionaries out alone. There are just two episodes when an apostle went out alone: one was to betray him, the other ended up denying him. The support of others is essential to living the gospel. Even a hermit has to be commissioned by a community, and must stay in touch with that group.

Jesus sent them out like lambs among wolves. That wasn't very encouraging, but they had a choice. They could preach a message that made people comfortable in their complacency; or they could preach the message of Jesus, that called for fundamental change. But he promised them the gift of healing, and they returned full of enthusiasm for the welcome they got at people's doorsteps. They had obeyed Jesus, and it worked. They experienced for themselves his healing power. And further still, Jesus assured them that their names were registered in the heart of almighty God.

Our discipleship can be summed up in two phrases: "Come and see" and "Go and tell." If we have personally felt the value of having Jesus in our lives, we will want to tell others about him. There is a difference between witnessing and preaching. We are all called to witness, but not all are called to preach. Many good Christians would melt rather than preach in public. But we can all bear witness to Christ, through the quality of our living. Let's ask ourselves the challenging question attributed to G. K. Chesterton: "If you were accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?"

Imagine there were only a hundred people alive on this earth, after a nuclear disaster. On today's statistics, about seventy of them would be poor, while thirty would be comparatively well off. Ninety-three of them would have to grumble that seven of them owned half the money, ate one third of the food, and had more doctors looking after them as the other ninety-three. The real problem is when the seven have the nerve to attempt to evangelise the ninety-three! How can they tell about the wonderful Saviour they have, who talks about sharing, feeding the hungry, while the seven throw out more food than would feed all of the ninety-three! A certain simplicity of lifestyle would be needed, if the good news is to be really credible from those who try to share it.

What kind of peace?

One word, PEACE, recurs in today's readings. In Isaiah, peace flows like a river through the ideal future landscape that he predicts. Then St Paul prays for peace for all who follow Christ ("peace be upon them, and mercy"). And when sending out his disciples, Jesus says their first message must be: "Peace to this house."

But while most people agree that peace must be sought, many seem to want peace only on their own rigid terms. Even many Christians hardly give it more than lip service. Bitter divisions are obvious in the epistle to the Galatians. A radically conservative Jewish-Christian group want the Church to keep the Jewish rite of circumcision, while others like Paul considered that ritual as now obsolete, replaced by baptism. Such arguments and misunderstandings are probably unavoidable. Every age in the Church has its own controversies and sectarian divisions, often based on arrogant refusal to hear competing visions of what God requires of us. Notice how, when the first disciples returned to Jesus, flushed with joy from their success, they were too proud of the people's response to their preaching. They were in danger of arrogance and needed his word of guidance. Pride is far from the poverty of spirit taught by Jesus. It leaves us less compassionate towards a world which needs to know the compassion of Christ.

The splendour of this joyful hymn in Isaiah is that it comes from the Suffering Servant. It is the joy of one who has suffered from hatred and rejection, and yet acts as a reconciler. Paul appreciates this paradox: "The only thing I boast about is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world is crucified to me, and I to the world."

Christian peacemakers and servants of the Gospel must be prepared for their share of the cross. The total, self-emptying service shown by Christ shows us how to behave. We need a simple lifestyle, prepared for service and not tied to material things: "no purse, no haversack, no sandals." He rules out all pride and arrogance. Even those who reject him should be loved and served in his name. The generosity of God must remain our message. In an often cruel world, we can do our part only by remembering Jesus, staying close to him.