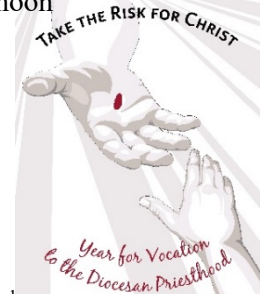


**Parish of Malin (Clonca)      Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
**Pentecost Sunday**

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



**Week Masses:**  
*St. Patrick's Church, Aughaclay:* Tuesday at 7:30pm  
*Star of the Sea Church, Malin Head:* Monday at 10am and Friday at 7:30pm  
*St. Mary's Church Lagg:* Wednesday at 9:30am  
*Cannolly Foundation Oratory:* Friday at 10am

**Anniversary Mass:** Noel Doherty (Donal Mor), Shantla and members of Donal Mor family on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.  
**Months Mind Mass:** Neil Mc Laughlin, Kilourt/Wales on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Jim M Laughlin, Carrowmore on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 9am in St. Mary's Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Eileen McCarron, Templemoyle on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June at 10:30am in St. Patrick's Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Richard Douglas, Carthage Mountain on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.  
**Months Mind Mass:** Gerard Glackin, Bree on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Celia Farren, Glentokert on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm in St. Patrick's Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Annie Waddell, Kilourt on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 8pm in Star of the Sea Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Maire Doherty, Umgal, on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 9am in St. Mary's Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Tony Mc Laughlin, Ballyhillion on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June at 12noon in Star of the Sea Church.  
**Anniversary Mass:** Willie Synott, Croghan, on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July at 10:30am in St. Patrick's Church.  
**Months Mind Mass:** Philomena Mc Callion, Francistown on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 9am in St. Mary's Church.  
**First Anniversary Mass:** John Byrne, Beagh, on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 10:30am in St. Patrick's Church.

**Parish Collections for the last week: Thank You.**

	<i>Aughaclay</i>	<i>Malin Head</i>	<i>Lagg</i>
<i>Parish</i>	495	190	265
<i>Restoration</i>	495	185	270

<b>Parish Fund</b>	<b>€950</b>
<b>Restoration Fund</b>	<b>€950</b>

**Parish Draw:** Still time to join the draw. €70 for the year, €35 for 6 months. Name and money to Malin Parochial House.  
**Malin Parish Charity Shop** is now open upstairs in G & S Supermarket, Carndonagh for the next 4 weeks. Come grab a bargain. Contact Martin on 086 8606 890.

**Aughaclay Chapel Repainting Committee:** Mega Draw is now running. Tickets are €10 each, 3 for €25, or 6 for €50. Ticket Sellers will be calling door-to-door or they can be bought in Bogg's Butchers, Centra Malin, Lafferty's Shop Glengad, Mullin's Shop Malin Head or by contacting John or Patrick by text or WhatsApp on 0868452901 or 0866061557. Also you can check out Aughaclay Chapel Re- Painting Facebook page on how to win a stay at the luxurious Galgorm Resort.

**Novena for Life:** The Pray for Life Novena is an invitation to join thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the protection of human life, until the Feast of the Visitation on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life in Ireland. Visit [www.prayforlife.ie](http://www.prayforlife.ie) for the daily novena prayers which will also be posted on [facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena](https://www.facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena) and @ChooseLifeIRL on Twitter. This is an initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference.

**During this Year of Prayer for Vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood** we ask for open minds and hearts in those the Lord is inviting to "Go, make disciples of all nations..." and that, despite their doubts, fears or reservations, they will hear the Lord saying to them, "...I am with you always."

**The Net** - Sharing the fruits of the faith in the Derry Diocese, the May edition of 'The Net' is now available in parishes as well as on the Diocesan website.

**Two Rosaries on the Coasts** the next Rosaries on the Coasts will be on 4<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm on Lisfannon Strand, Bunrana and also on 18<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm on Benone Strand, Limavady, also at 3pm. All Rosary Coasters welcome and remember – invite your families and friends along too.

**Glengad Community Centre:** Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July at 11am, 5 km Run/Walk/Jog in aid of Glengad Community Centre in Association with Inishowen AC. Registration at Glengad Community Centre from 10am. Courtesy bus from the Community Centre to starting point at Crua Football Pitch. Route ends back at the Community Centre with Tea & Refreshments afterwards. Everyone welcome. €20 per family, €10 adult, €5 child. For more information contact 0860675914 or contact us on Facebook GCC Glengad. We also encourage people to contact us with any suggestions for classes or groups (for all age groups) that they would like to see in the Community Centre in the coming months and we can look into arranging these.

**Gamblers Anonymous:** Is Gambling affecting your life? Perhaps we can help. Tel 028 7135 1329.

**Last remaining places** for Pilgrimage to the Holy Land at Christmas 2023 EX Dublin taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Dead Sea, Sea of Galilee, Last Supper Room, Garden of Gethsemane, Mount of Olives with full day in Bethlehem on Christmas Day. Contact James Treacy 061921470 [jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com](mailto:jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com)

**Homeschooling Conference:** Laura Berquist, founder of Mother of Divine Grace School, will be speaking on Catholic Homeschooling and Classical Education, at Kelly's Inn, Garvaghey, Ballygawley, Co. Tyrone. Tues 6th June at 7pm. Free event where you will have a chance to meet other local homeschooling families. All welcome.

**Pentecost Sunday Acts 2:1-11** *The Spirit of God gives energy to the apostles and sends them out on their mission*

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

**Gospel: John 20:19-23** *They disciples receive the Holy Spirit to continue the mission of Jesus*

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

### **The Spirit who bears fruit**

In our churches there is no shortage of images, mostly statues, paintings or stained glass. They are mostly images of Jesus, Mary and the saints. There are also images of some Old Testament figures like Abraham and Sarah, or Moses and Miriam. There is a long tradition of images within the church, beginning with the paintings in the Roman Catacombs. The Holy Spirit, whose feast we celebrate on Pentecost, does not lend itself easily to imagery. The traditional image of the dove is drawn from the scene of the baptism of Jesus. But the language in that passage is rather vague; the Holy Spirit *descended like a dove*, or in the way that a dove might descend. There are two other images of the Holy Spirit in today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles. Luke says that all who gathered in one room heard *what sounded like a powerful wind* from heaven; he goes on to say that something appeared to them that *seemed like tongues of fire*. Just as the evangelists do not portray an actual dove at the baptism of Jesus, Luke does not say that the wind and fire at Pentecost were tangible phenomena. The Holy Spirit is impossible to visualise, because the Spirit cannot be seen as such. Yet the Holy Spirit is *profoundly real*.

Many things in our universe are real even though invisible to the naked eye. What we see with our eyes is only a fraction of our physical world. The Holy Spirit belongs to the spiritual world, and it naturally cannot see the Spirit with our eyes. Yet, there are helpful ways of *imagining* the Holy Spirit. St Paul uses an image drawn nature when he says that the Spirit bears fruit. He means the visible effect of the Spirit on one's life. We may not be able to see the Holy Spirit, but we can see the effect of the Spirit in our life, just as we cannot see the wind but can see the effect of the wind on people and objects of various kinds. Paul is saying that wherever we find love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control, the Spirit is there at work. The Spirit becomes visible in and through these qualities and virtues. The person who most of all had those qualities was Jesus because he was full of the Holy Spirit, full of the *life of God*. The Holy Spirit is essentially the very life of God, and that life is a life of love. It is that divine life, that divine love, which was poured out at Pentecost, initially on the first disciples but through them on all who were open to receive this powerful and wonderful gift. Paul expresses it simply in his letter to the Romans, 'God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us'. It is that Spirit of God's love we have received who bears the rich fruit in our lives that Paul speaks about in today's 2nd Reading. The Spirit is constantly at work in our lives, making us more like Jesus. The ordinary, day to day expressions of goodness and kindness, of faithfulness and self-control, of patience and gentleness, are all manifestations of the Spirit that has been given to us by God. We can recognise the Spirit's presence in the common happenings of everyday life. The spiritual is not something other-worldly; it is humanity at its best.

Humanity is at its best in today's first reading. Pentecost brought about a wonderful bonding of people from all over the Roman Empire. They were united in admiring and praising the marvels of God. In spite of differences of language and culture there was a real communion among them. Wherever communion of heart and mind exist among people of different backgrounds, the Holy Spirit is at work. Unity in diversity is the mark of the Spirit. Jesus points out another manifestation of the Spirit: the pursuit of truth. Only the Spirit can lead us to the complete truth. If someone is genuinely seeking for truth, and willing to engage in good works with others, there the Spirit is at work. Fullness of truth and love is always beyond us; but the Spirit is given to lead us towards the complete truth and love, in all its height and depth.