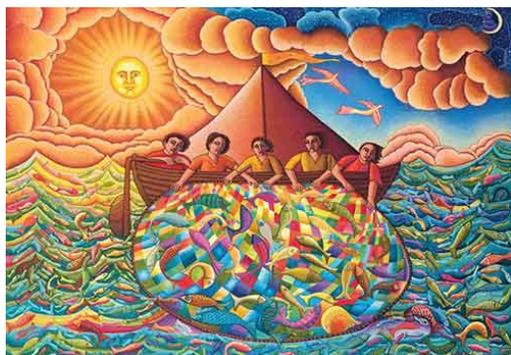


Sunday 1 May 2022 – Fourth Sunday of Easter

St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Monaleen

'May Christ who transformed Mary Magdalene from sinner to saint make his presence felt in our lives'.



We are celebrating the Fourth Sunday of Easter (Day of Prayer for Vocations)

Each celebration of the Eucharist begins with the sign of the cross in the name of the Blessed Trinity. In these days of Eastertide, we await the coming of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday. The Holy Spirit is adored and glorified with the Father and the Son. It is from Jesus that the Church has learnt the name of the Holy Spirit and it is in this name as well as the Father and the Son that each new child of the Church is baptised.

Words of encouragement from Pope Francis.

Dear brothers and sisters, today the Risen Christ invites us to a new impetus- everyone, each one of us. He invites us to dive into the good without fear of losing something, without calculating too much, without waiting for others to begin. Why? Do not wait for others, because in order to go out to meet Jesus we need to be put off balance. We need to be put off balance with courage, restore ourselves, but restore ourselves unbalanced, taking risks.

Saturday/Sunday 7 / 8 May Fourth Sunday of Easter –	7:00pm – Denis Pruss RIP 10:00am – Sally O’Carroll RIP (A); Claire McMahon RIP (A) 11:30am – Bridie Harrington (Birthday Remembrance)
Tuesday, May 10 St Comgall St John of Avila	9:45am – Eamon O’Gorman RIP (A)
Wednesday May 11	9:45am – Peggy O’Shea RIP (A)
Thursday, May 12	9:45am – Vera Danaghery RIP
Friday May 13 Our Lady of Fatima	9:45am – Fr James Gavigan RIP
Saturday, May 14 Fifth Sunday of Easter	7:00pm – Peter Darcy RIP
Sunday, May 15 Fifth Sunday of Easter	10:00am – 11:30am –

Parish Notices

The Third Age charity's 'Failte Isteach' service is now available in most counties across the State in order to facilitate, in an informal setting, improved English language skills for refugees. This service is free and run by local volunteers. To locate the nearest English language class in your location, please see <https://www.thirdageireland.ie/failte-isteach/locations>.

Queen of the May Concert The Queen of the May Concert will take place in St Joseph's Church, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick on Thursday **May 12th at 8pm**. Tickets available at the door and St. Joseph's Church sacristy and they are €15. For information call 061-313401.

Trócaire Boxes: We should be grateful if you would return your Trócaire boxes at your convenience

Easter Dues Envelopes: - (for the support of the clergy of the Diocese) are available at the back of the church

Milford Care Centre: Milford Care Centre wishes to thank the parishioners in Monaleen who contributed €651 at the recent church gate collection.

Rosary at the Grottos: The Rosary will be prayed each day during the month of May at hundreds of grottos around the Island of Ireland. To see a list of locations, or to register a grotto (or other suitable location) simply visit www.coastalrosaryireland.ie You can also register by texting 087 278 652. We are praying for Ireland and for peace in the world.

Parish Choir – New Member Welcome: Our senior choir have resumed singing at the 11.30am mass on the first and third Sundays of the month and on other Special occasions. They would welcome new members and if you are interested you can approach any member of the choir or phone Josephine Browne on 086 3960664. Rehearsals are held in the church on Wednesdays from 8.00pm to 09.30pm. People of all singing abilities are welcome.

Irish Catholic: The Irish Catholic newspaper is on sale at the back of the church

Eucharistic Adoration: Continues daily from 6pm to 10pm except on **Tuesday** from 10am to 6pm and **Wednesday** from 6pm to 8pm

The Popes Intentions – May 2022 – Faith-Filled Young People - We Pray for All Young People, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Community Noticeboard

Castletroy ICA: Meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Monaleen GAA clubhouse.

An Appeal for Ukraine - From Fr Seamus Enright C.Ss.R:

The Redemptorists in Limerick continue their appeal for Ukraine and are grateful for the generous response. You may donate online at www.novena.ie or to make a credit card donation by phoning 061-315099. Cheques should be made payable to Redemptorists Limerick and sent to Fr Seamus Enright, Mount St Alphonsus, Limerick. People can also donate by calling into the Monastery. Every Euro will go directly to the Redemptorists in Ukraine.

News from our Diocese

Godly Play Core Training Course being offered this summer! The course runs from 6-8 July 2022 (Wednesday to Friday) in Thurles. It takes place over three full days and there is a residential option. We return this year to the beautiful MIC Thurles Campus where the 3 Day Core Training will be offered in partnership with the Irish Institute for Pastoral Studies. Cost includes lunches. Cost: EUR 330 and EUR 430 for the residential option (dinner, bed and breakfast on Thursday and Friday).

Booking is not yet open on the IIPS website, but if you email godlyplayireland@gmail.com, we will reserve your place and let you know as soon as the link goes up on the IIPS website.

Lough Derg re-opens Lough Derg welcomes Pilgrims again with a full Pilgrimage programme this summer;

Three Day Pilgrimage: 1st June - 15th August. Booking advised. Concessions available for students, seniors and groups.

One Day Retreats and guided Pilgrim Path experience: dates in May and late August through September. Booking essential. All booking information at www.loughderg.org, email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. Lough Derg, Pettigo, Co Donegal, F94 N289.

Women in the Bible' - A Bible Study for Women: Meet on Zoom Thursdays @ 8:30pm - 9:30pm,

May 12th

For zoom link and more information please email: limerick@op-tn.org

Recently Deceased



Please pray for all our deceased, especially those recently deceased and those whose anniversaries occur at this time

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them

The Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if you were already there,
and I unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
(Saint Alphonsus Liguori)

At Your feet, O my Jesus,
I prostrate myself and I offer You
repentance of my contrite heart,
which is humbled in its nothingness
and in Your holy presence.
I adore You in the Sacrament of Your love,
the ineffable Eucharist.
I desire to receive You
into the poor dwelling that my heart offers You.
While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion,
I wish to possess You in spirit.
Come to me, O my Jesus,
since I, for my part, am coming to You!
May Your love embrace my whole being in life and in death.
I believe in You,
I hope in You,
I love You. Amen.
(Cardinal Rafael Merry del Val)

Three O'clock Prayer to the Divine Mercy



**You expired, O Jesus,
but the source of life gushed forth for souls
and an ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world.
O Fount of Life,
unfathomable Divine Mercy,
envelop the whole world
and empty Yourself out upon us.
O Blood and Water,
which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus
as a fount of mercy for us,
I trust in You.**