

Sunday 17 July 2022 — Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary Magdalene Parish, Monaleen

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



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Religious communities make up a small percentage of the Christian population but nevertheless play a dynamic and central role in the spreading of the Kingdom of God. To belong to a religious society is a call to witness with one's life to what one believes in. The most effective form of witness is the testimony of a person's life

Uplifting thoughts from Pope Francis.

Every day God passes by and sows a seed in the soil of our lives. Making that seed grow depends on us, on our prayer, on the open heart with which we approach the Scriptures so that it might become for us the Living Word of God.

Saturday/Sunday 16/17 July Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:00pm – Baby Lara Guerin RIP (A); 10:00am – Gerard Condon RIP 11:30am – Michael Murphy RIP
Tuesday, July 19	9:45am – Norah Seymour RIP
Wednesday July 20	9:45am – Jim and Mary Hogan & family in thanksgiving
Thursday, July 21	9:45am – Michael O'Keeffe RIP
Friday July 22 St Mary Magdalene	9:45am – Special Intention RIP (A)
Saturday, July 23 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	7:00pm – Fr Patrick Reeves RIP (A)
Sunday, July 24 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	10:00am - 11:30am –

Parish Notices

Eucharistic Adoration: The schedule is as follows: Tuesday, 10.00a.m. to 10.00p.m. All other days of the week 6.00pm until 9.00p.m. A book is provided at the back of the church to sign in when you come to do your hour. It is imperative that the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance is never left unattended. In the unlikely event that the persons due to follow you do not attend there are names and phone numbers at the front of the sign in book of people to contact in that situation. **NOTE: Please note that on Wednesday 20th July Eucharistic Adoration will conclude at 8.30pm – half an hour earlier than usual - to facilitate a visit of the Historical Society to our church.**

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>.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly: Pope Francis established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly which took place for the first time on Sunday 25 July 2021. In 2022, the celebration will fall on next Sunday 24 July, - the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, - Grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is: **"In old age they will still bear fruit"** (Psalm 92:15).

Trócaire: Trócaire is the official overseas development agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland. Trócaire has an obligation to supporters and funders to make sure that donations are being spent wisely and that you know how your money is being used. Trócaire takes the trust you place in them very seriously and adheres to the highest standards of transparency and accountability. Finances are independently audited every year and accounts are published online for anybody to see. To access the most recent financial report please click [here](#)

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

The Popes Intentions – July 2022 – For the Elderly - We Pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility. See Parish Website for video of Pope Francis – <https://monaleenparish.ie/spiritual-resources/the-pope-video/>

Community Noticeboard

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

NEWS from our Diocese

Lough Derg 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.

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)



It is very important to bring together the wisdom of the elderly and the enthusiasm of the young. The encounter between grandparents and grandchildren is key, especially in this moment of economic and social crisis that humanity is undergoing.
- Pope Francis

***PRAYER FOR THE SECOND WORLD DAY FOR
GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY***

24 July 2022

**I give thanks to you, Lord,
For the blessing of a long life
For, to those who take refuge in You,
Grant always to bear fruit.
Forgive, O Lord,
Resignation and disillusionment,**

**But forsake me not
When my strength declines.
Teach me to look with hope
To the future you give me,
To the mission you entrust to me
And to sing your praises without end.**

**Make me a tender craftsman
Of Your revolution,
To guard with love my grandchildren
And all the little ones who seek shelter in You.
Protect, O Lord, Pope Francis
And grant Thy Church
To deliver the world from loneliness.
Direct our steps in the way of peace.
Amen.**