



**Church of St Mary Magdalene, Monaleen Road, Castletroy, V94 E3C8** 'We seek to create an inclusive community, where all are welcome'

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# Third Sunday of Easter 23 April 2023 GOSPEL REFLECTION

'They recognised him at the breaking of bread' Lk 24:13-35

We come to Easter faith by acknowledging the hungers of the heart ("our own hope had been"), by searching the scriptures ("our hearts burning within us"), by holding on to the story of the first disciples and witness of the women, by the Eucharist ("the breaking of the bread") and by sharing our faith ("they told their story").

Is there more?

As the story starts, he stops them. Towards the end of the story, they stop him from walking out of their lives, perhaps for ever. The moment of desire leads to the moment of recognition and a life-changing encounter.

We must notice and respond when our hearts burn within us and ask:

# Where is God accompanying me on my journey?

# Who is the hidden Christ in our midst?

Where is the resurrection playing out now and always?

## BAPTISMS

Sat at 4pm - Sun at 12.30pm

# MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sat 22 - Sun 30 April 2023

#### This Weekend

- Sat 19.00 Adelaide McCarthy Deceased members of the Finucane Family
- Sun 10.00 Eamon O' Gorman Tom Gavin (1st A)
  - 11.30 Betty Cagney John Kenzie

#### Weekdays

- Tue 09.45 Anne Lynch
- Wed 09.45 Marcella Gillano
- Thu 09.45 Maeve Cameron-Moran
- Fri 09.45 Phil McGrath
- Next Weekend
- Sat 19.00
- Sun 10.00 Mary O' Toole Ridgeway 11.30 Pro Populo

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 7.45am -12.45pm Parish Secretary, Mrs Brid Hession **Tel: 061 338340** 

#### Pastoral Unit 1

Fr Seamus Madigan - Monaleen Co-Parish Priest - 086 8441609

Mr Anton O' Carroll Monaleen Pastoral Group Chairperson - 087 2556510

Faith Community News

# Fáilte/Welcome

This weekend we celebrate the baptisms of **Samuel Griffin, Emma Molina-Alves and Liam Lynch**. We welcome Samuel, Emma and Liam into the Christian family and congratulate their families on this happy occasion.

# **Oliver Stapleton RIP**

Our sympathy to Carole Stapleton and family (Monaleen Park) on the death of Oliver, on Wednesday 19th April. Oliver's Requiem Mass took place on Saturday 22nd April in Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Milford May he Rest in Peace.

# **Ceremonies of Light**

Congratulations to all the boys and girls from Monaleen National School and Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treoigh, who took part in Ceremonies Light and Commitment during the past week. This is part of the preparation for their upcoming Confirmation in June.

# **Holy Communion**

We are now nearing the beginning of our Holy Communion Ceremonies. All classes will be making preparations in in the church during the coming week.

A big thank you to the C.O.T.E. (Children of the Eucharist) Team, who recently did some preparation with the children.

## 300 children for Sacraments

Over 300 children will make their 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation from our Faith Community during the next 6 weeks. We keep all children and their families in our prayer.

# **CHY3** Certificates

Thanks to all who returned the CHY3 Forms to the Parish Office. These forms allow us to claim back the tax you would have paid on your annual contribution to our church. The completion of these forms ensure we get full value for your generosity. We ask that any outstanding forms be returned as soon as possible.

# For your Diary

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- **Milford Hospice Collection** Annual Church Gate collection Sat 23 & Sun 24 April. All support appreciated.
- First Holy Communion 2023 Venue - Monaleen Church Sat 29th Apr, Gaelscoil, 10.30 / 12.30 Sat 6th May, Monaleen NS, 10.30/12.30 Sat 20th May, Monaleen NS, 10.30/12.30
- Confirmations 2023
  Venue Milford Church
  Thu 1st Jun, Monaleen NS, 10am/12noon
  Fri 2nd June Gaelscoil, 11.30am
- Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - 22-27 June 2023 Further details on noticeboard
- Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock - Saturday 22 July -Feast day of St. Mary of Magdala
  - World Youth Day 2023 02-09 August in Lisbon, Portugal. This event is open to young people, 18 to 35. See Fr Seamus.
- Parish Retreat Day
  Saturday 4th November Glenstal

# Getting Married in Church?

Do you live in Monaleen Parish and wish to get married in Church? If so, you will need to complete pre-nuptial wedding papers



here in Monaleen; no matter where your church venue is. It is advised that these papers would be completed three to six months before your wedding day Further info on our parish website.

**Blood Clinic** Castletroy Park Hotel Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th April 16.15 - 19.30 New and existing blood donor welcome. Call 1800 222 111 for an appointment.