



**Church of St Mary Magdalene, Monaleen Road, Castletroy, V94 E3C8**

*'We seek to create an inclusive community, where all are welcome'*

Parish Office: +353 61 338340 (Tue, Wed & Thu 7.45am -12.45pm)  
E-mail: [info@monaleenparish.ie](mailto:info@monaleenparish.ie) Website: [www.monaleenparish.ie](http://www.monaleenparish.ie)



## Sixth Sunday of Easter

14 May 2023

### GOSPEL REFLECTION

*'The Father will give you another Advocate'*  
John 14:15-21

'If you love me, you will keep my commandments', and specifically the commandment to love one another. Jesus is preparing his disciples for his imminent departure and for a future in which he would be with them in a different way. He would not 'leave them orphans' but send them an 'Advocate' to be with them forever.

Perhaps you have also experienced the challenge of preparing another (a child, a friend) for a time when you would no longer be physically together.

Regardless of the circumstances of our lives, we have never been and never will be orphaned by God. The proof of the ongoing presence of Jesus with his disciples is that 'I live and you will live'. Discipleship is about much more than rules and regulations. It is about being alive, fully alive!

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday,  
7.45am -12.45pm

Parish Secretary, Mrs Brid Hession

**Tel: 061 338340**

**Email: [info@monaleenparish.ie](mailto:info@monaleenparish.ie)**

Bookings for Mass Intentions, Baptisms, Weddings etc. to be made though the Parish Office or by calling into the sacristy, before/after Mass. Thankyou.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 13 - Sun 21 May '23

### This Weekend

Sat	19.00	Irene McNamara
Sun	10.00	Michael & Mary Daly Sarah Madigan
	11.30	Margaret Corless Maura Reade Domenico Contro & Vittorio Fortuna

### Weekdays

Tue	09.45	Anne Lynch
Wed	09.45	Maggie & Ned Rhatigan & D.M. of their Family Timothy Kirby
Thu	09.45	Denis Foley
Fri	09.45	Therese Ryan

### Next Weekend

Sat	19.00	John Ashworth (1st A) John Madden Michael O' Regan Maureen & Maire Gaffney
Sun	10.00	D.M. of the Ryan Family (Beechwood, Golf Links Rd.)
	11.30	Michael Burke Tommy O' Neill Mary O' Brien & D.M. of O' Brien & Hurley Family Phyllis Mullane

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE**

### Pastoral Unit 1

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

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

## Faith Community News

### Parish Retreat Day

A Parish Retreat Day is planned for Saturday 4th November at Glenstal Abbey. The theme of the day will be:

**AWAKEN YOUR SPIRIT  
TO ADVENTURE**

Our Parish Pastoral Working Group is in the early stages of planning this day with the Monks of Glenstal. Promotion posters with details of how to book your place will follow shortly. For now, we suggest you keep the date free.

### Collections for April '23

Weekend	02	1,483.19
	16	879.25
	23	915.79
	30	816.15
	DD/SO/Online	1,314.88

**Total parish collection €5,409.26**

Holy Places	626.11
Diocesan Needs Collection	308.50
Diocesan Needs Online	60.00

*Thank you for EASTER DUES collected  
9th Apr and your continued generosity*

## MENS RITES OF PASSAGE

### IRELAND 2023

Men's Rites of Passage is a transformative event, one that will resonate with any man looking to make a deeper connection and know his value and place in the world.


Ancient ritual, story telling and other ways of communicating are used to create a safe environment where men can explore and discover the true purpose of their lives.

This event is organised by 'MALES Ireland', a not for profit group. They welcome all men regardless of age, ethnicity, background, sexual orientation, status or creed. They aim to be inclusive and are open to men of all faiths and none.

Upcoming Event: Men's RITES of Passage, 26-30 July '23, Kiltegan, County Wicklow.

Further information: [malesireland.ie](http://malesireland.ie)

## For your Diary

- ◆ **Student Priests Collection**  
This weekend, 13/14 May  
1 of 6 - RED BAG Collection 
- ◆ **Milford Care Centre**  
Annual Service of Remembrance on Sunday 14th of May commencing at 3pm in Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Milford.
- ◆ **First Holy Communion 2023**  
**Venue - Monaleen Church**  
Sat 20th May, Monaleen NS, 10.30/12.30
- ◆ **Diocesan Needs Collection**  
Next weekend, 20/21 May.  
Supporting the administration and ministry of our diocese.
- ◆ **Screening of 'The Letter'**  
Salesian Spirituality Centre,  
Milford - Tuesday 23rd May at 7pm
- ◆ **Limerick Youth Service**  
Annual Collection 27/28 May  
2 of 6 - RED BAG Collection 
- ◆ **Confirmations 2023**  
**Venue - Milford Church**  
Thu 1st Jun, Monaleen NS, 10am/12noon  
Fri 2nd June - Gaelscoil, 11.30am
- ◆ **New to the Parish**  
Welcome cuppa and chat,  
Sunday, 4th June at 10.30am
- ◆ **Vincent de Paul Collection**  
03/04 June. No collection Jul/Aug
- ◆ **Limerick Social Services**  
Annual Collection 10/11 June  
3 of 6 - RED BAG Collection 
- ◆ **Peter's Pence**  
Annual collection 01/02 July  
4 of 6 - RED BAG Collection 

## Irish Catholic Newspaper

Please note - the cost of the weekly Irish Catholic has increased to €3

## Thank you from our Sacristans

James & Joan express their gratitude for your generosity to their recent collection.