



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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17 September 2023

GOSPEL REFLECTION

'Forgive... from your heart'
Mt 18:21-35

Jesus surprised Peter by telling him he needed to forgive seventy-seven times. Perhaps you have known the value of this when something reminds you of a past hurt and you find you need in your heart to forgive again the person who hurt you. Sometimes we also need to forgive ourselves for things we regret about past behaviours.

Pope Francis chose as his motto 'miserando atque eligendo' (seen with compassion and chosen) to express his belief that Jesus viewed his past mistakes with compassion, and called him, nonetheless. At this moment can you see Jesus calling you, no matter what your past has been like?

Forgiveness doesn't mean forgetting or excusing the harm done to you. It also doesn't necessarily mean making up with the person who caused the harm. Forgiveness brings a kind of peace that allows you to focus on yourself and helps you go on with life. Letting go of grudges and bitterness can make way for improved health and peace of mind.

CATHEDRAL UNIT

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 16 - Sun 24 Sep '23

This Weekend

Sat 19.00 Peggy Corrigan
Sun 10.00 Níall O' Carroll
11.30 John Walters

Weekdays

Tue 09.45 Eileen Corkery
Wed 09.45 Bridie Hannan
Thu 09.45 Dermot Morris
Fri 09.45 Eileen Cullothy

Next Weekend

Sat 19.00 Noel Brett
Sun 10.00 Pro Populo
11.30 Christina & Michael
Connolly
Deirdre Hayes

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



PARISH OFFICE

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday,
7.45am -12.45pm
Parish Secretary, Mrs Brid Hession
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SACRISTY

Sacristan, Mr Aidan O' Mahony
Tue-Fri, 8.30-11.30am
087 902 4117
Weekend Sacristan, Ms Joan Body
087 663 9459

All Church Bookings to be made though contacting the Parish Office or by calling into the sacristy. Thankyou.

Faith Community News

Fáilte/Welcome

This weekend we celebrate the baptisms of **Bonnie Fitzgerald, Bobby Scanlon and Willow Gorman**. We welcome Bonnie, Bobby & Willow into the Christian family and congratulate their families on this special occasion.

Choir - New Members

Our Parish Choir rehearsals begin this Monday 18th September, from 7.30 to 9pm in the Church. New members are welcome, particularly Tenors and Basses. For further information contact Josephine Browne on 086 396 0664.

Altar Servers

A registration evening and practice for new Altar Servers will take place on Thursday 21st September at 7pm in the Church. Young people from sixth class upwards are now welcome to become Altar Servers.

Monaleen/Milford

Active Retirement Group

Meetings will commence on Monday 18th September at 11am in Monaleen GAA Clubhouse. New Members welcome. Enquiries to 086 880 0081.

Ministers of the Eucharist

A one day training course will be organised shortly for new Ministers of the Eucharist. Expressions of interest are now welcome to Fr Seamus. We need Ministers particularly for Mass on Saturday at 7pm and Sunday at 10am.

Parish Website

More info, www.monaleenparish.ie

CONFESSION - NEW TIME

Saturday, 6 - 6.45pm

ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Tuesdays, 10am to 10pm. All Welcome

PARISH RETREAT POSTERS

Could you find a public place to display this poster to advertise our Parish Retreat? Posters now available at the exits. Your help would be welcome.

For your Diary

- ◆ **Monthly Diocesan Needs**
This weekend - 16/17 September Supporting the administrative and pastoral work of our diocese.
- ◆ **Choir**
Practice begins Mon 18th Sep, 7.30pm in the Church. All Welcome
- ◆ **ICA Castletroy**
Our local ICA Branch will meet on Wed 20th Sep at 8pm in the Don Bosco Hall, Milford. All ladies welcome
- ◆ **Altar Servers**
Registration and Practice Thu 21st Sep at 7pm in the Church
- ◆ **Kilmurry Arts & Heritage**
Our local Arts & Heritage Centre will host a coffee morning on Thu. 21st Sep, 10am to 12noon. Proceeds in aid of Milford Hospice.
- ◆ **Autumn Dues**
Autumn Dues envelopes are now available in the Church. The 'Dues' collection pays your priest's salary and will be collected on 23/24 Sep. Your support is much appreciated.
- ◆ **Parish Retreat**
Glental Abbey, Saturday 4th Nov. 10.30am to 5pm. €45 per person: includes morning coffee, lunch, afternoon tea, talks etc. Bookings through the parish office.



Let Justice and Peace Flow
Season of Creation 2023

MONALEEN PARISH
RETREAT DAY AT GLENATAL ABBEY



Starting at 10.30am with tea and coffee at registration, the day includes talks, Mass, lunch, art, Holy Hour (with the option of confession), and afternoon tea. The retreat day ends at 5pm but all are welcome to remain for Vespers at 6pm.

SATURDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2023

