



Monaleen Parish

Newsletter

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 - Year B 21st January 2024

Gospel Reflection



'Repent, and believe the Good News.'
Mk 1:14-20

Today we begin to read from the gospel of Mark and this will continue until the end of November except during Lent and Eastertide. Mark's gospel is the shortest one and is considered by most to be the first gospel to be written.

'The time has come' - this is a decisive moment in the life of Jesus. His public ministry is about to begin.

'Repent, and believe the good news'. Jesus was not preaching a new doctrine, but calling for a change of heart, as a response to the good news of the gospel message. A new way of understanding God leads to a conversation in how we relate to God.

The Spirit of God who was at work in Jesus calling the disciples, continues to work in our day and our lives. That is why the gospel message is one of GOOD NEWS.

Today is called the **'SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD'** in order to emphasise the role and importance of the Word of God in our lives. What has helped you to discover the scriptures as a source of encouragement, enlightenment and renewed faith? Is there something extra you could do now to enhance your appreciation and love of the Word of God?

NEWSLETTER ITEMS BY THURSDAY, 16.00hrs

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 20th - Sun 28th Jan '24

This Weekend

Sat	19.00	Mamie & Sean Gilmartin
Sun	10.00	Chrissie Ryan Pat & Margaret Doyle
	11.30	Connie & Maureen Bourke, Martin & Bridget Bourke Jerry McMahon Bessie & Fr Liam Kelly Pat, Brenda & Joe Cahill

Weekdays

Tue	09.45	Martin Griffin
Wed	09.45	Michael Keane
Thu	09.45	
Fri	09.45	

Next Weekend

Sat	19.00	
Sun	10.00	
	11.30	Pat & Jane McGrady Margaret O' Brien & DM of O' Brien & Hurley Families

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Tue, 10am - 10pm. All Welcome.

PARISH OFFICE

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 7.45am -12.45pm
Parish Secretary, Mrs Brid Hession
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Faith Community News

Collections for December '23

Weekend	03	923.64
	10	913.02
	17	817.94
	24	405.00
	31	1,066.09
	DD/SO/Online	1,106.70

Total Parish Collection €5,232.39

Diocesan Needs Collection	351.30
Sick and Retired Priests	1,055.00

Thank you for your continued generosity

Family Carers Ireland

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie.



18-25 January 2024

The Good Samaritan

This year the theme 'You shall love the Lord your God... and your neighbour as yourself' (Lk 10:27) has come from an ecumenical team from Burkina Faso. They have reflected on the familiar story of the Good Samaritan, and all are encouraged to Go and do likewise. It is a story about crossing boundaries that calls our attention to the bonds that unite the whole human family.

For your Diary

Monthly Diocesan Needs

This weekend - 20/21 January 2024 Supporting the administrative and pastoral work of our diocese.

Mission Appeal

Next weekend, 27/28th January the Little Sisters of the Assumption will hold an annual Mission Appeal in our Parish. Your support for their Missionary work among the poorest people will be appreciated.

First Holy Communions Monaleen NS

Friday 10th May, 10.30am & 12.30pm
Friday 24th May, 10.30am & 12.30pm
Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treoigh
Friday 31st May, 10.30am & 12.30pm

Confirmations Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treoigh Monaleen NS


Thursday 16th May, 10am & 12noon
Thursday 13th June, 10am & 11.30am
Friday 14th June, 10am & 11.30am

Catechesis Training

The Dominican Sisters in Limerick will be offering Catechesis Training for Adults at St. Saviour's Parish, 12-17 Feb, 2024. This is a Montessori based method of catechesis for children 3-12 yrs old. For more info, email Sr Mary Emily at; limerick@op-tn.org

Young Men's Rites of Passage

24th - 28th of July 2024 • Kiltegan, Co Wicklow, Ireland



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