



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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Fourth Sunday of Lent 10th March 2024

For

Loved the World

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Gospel Reflection

'God loved the world so much' In 3:14-21

Jesus speaks of himself being lifted up, a term that can mean a physical lifting, or also exaltation. By this play on words the evangelist explains to us that Jesus' gift of himself in the passion was a glorious revelation of love, despite all its injustice and brutality. It is God's wish that everyone who believes in Jesus will have 'eternal life', that is a relationship with God that begins now and survives death.

We receive life from God when our faith enables us to trust in God's love for us. We give life to one another when the love between us is trustworthy. It would be very cushy for us if we could be a source of life to others without cost to ourselves. True life-givers know that they need the generosity of being *lifted up* by giving their lives so that others may have life.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 9th - Sun 17th March

This Weekend

- Sat 19.00 Bridget Hennessy Sun 10.00 Gery (Geraldine) Murphy
 - 11.30 Jim & Claire Supple Krvstvna Bort

Weekdays

- Tue 09.45 Angela Nolan
- Wed 09.45 Michael Lynch
- Thu 09.45 Michelle Grant and Ronnie Grant
- Fri 09.45 Tony Cross

Next Weekend

- Sat 19.00 Dick Sadlier
- Sun 10.00 Eddie Aherne
 - 11.30 Anne Lynch (1st Anniv)

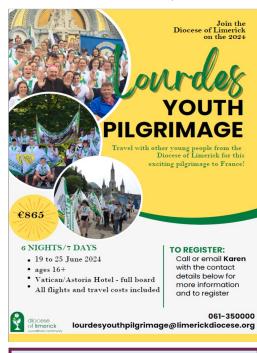
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

PARISH OFFICE Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 7.45am -12.45pm Parish Secretary, Mrs Brid Hession Tel: 061 338340 Email: info@monaleenparish.ie

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

> Tue, 10am - 10pm ADORATION of the All Welcome BLESSED SACRAMENT

Faith Community News



PARISH WEBSITE www.monaleenparish.ie

Please check out the Diocesan Engineers Report on our Church Tower.

Community News

Monaleen Cancer Support

A fun run/walk in aid of Monaleen Cancer Support Group will take place on Sunday 24th March at 2pm. Start/finish line will be at Monaleen GAA Club.

Registration at the Clubhouse on the day from 11am. Details on noticeboard.

If you or a member of your family is living with cancer, Monaleen Cancer Support Group can help with practical assistance in complete confidence and privacy. Tel: 087 2113394.

Dominican Pilgrimage Lourdes 5th-9th May. Organised by Marian Pilgrimages. Bookings can be made by ringing 01 8788159. The Spiritual Director is Fr Frank Downes, O.P.

For your Diary

St Patrick's Day Masses ٠ Vigil Mass Saturday 16th March 7pm Sunday 17th March, 10am & 11.30am

> **Emigrant Collection** Our first of seven 'red bag' collections will be taken up after Holy Communion at all Masses next weekend. This collection supports the pastoral work of the Irish Bishops in various Irish Centres throughout the world.

Diocesan Needs ٠

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Our monthly collection supporting the administrative and pastoral work of our diocese takes place next weekend, 16/17 March 2024. Thank you for your support.

- **First Confessions** Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treoigh Wednesday 20th March at 11am
- Ceremony of Light (6th Class) ٠ Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treoigh Thursday 21st March, 11am
 - **Reconciliation Service** Tue 26th March, Milford Church, 7.30pm, All Welcome,
 - Ceremony of Light (6th Class) Monaleen National School Wednesday 17th April, 7pm
 - **First Holy Communions** Monaleen National School 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 Thursday 16th May, 10am & 12noon Monaleen National School Thursday 13th June, 10am & 11.30am Friday 14th June, 10am & 11.30am

Diocesan Pilgrimage to LOURDES

Thu 20th to Tue 25th June 2024 If you know someone who would like to travel as part of our assisted pilgrim section please let them know. For further information contact the Lourdes Office on 061-350000 (Tue & Thu 10.00 am to 4.00 pm).