



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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2nd Sunday of Easter 7th April 2024



Gospel Reflection

'Peace be with you'
Jn 20:19-31

'Peace be with you' was the greeting of Jesus on meeting his frightened apostles. Who has come to you bringing peace at times when you were frightened? For whom have you been an agent of peace? This greeting is followed by Jesus missioning his apostles, and us, to continue his project of spreading the Good News of God's love and forgiveness.

Jesus promises the gift of the Holy Spirit to empower the disciples to be witnesses to forgiveness. Forgiveness is at times an essential step on the road to peace. Perhaps you can recall when holding on to a hurt or grudge disturbed your inner peace.

Reflect upon a specific fear you struggle with right now. What is it that causes excessive worry and anxiety? Whatever it may be, the Lord wants you to trust him. Yes, a certain 'holy' fear can help us evaluate all situations properly and act diligently and responsibly, but too often what we actually struggle with is a lack of trust in God. Reflect upon your fear and your trust and invite Christ more deeply into your heart. His presence will cast out all useless fear, enabling you to fully trust in His care, providence and Mercy.



MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 6th - Sun 14th April '24

This Weekend

Sat	19.00	Billy Coffey
Sun	10.00	Geraldine Glynn
	11.30	Eoghan O' Driscoll & D.M. Cregan/O'Driscoll Families Margaret Collins Tom Moore

Weekdays

Tue	09.45	Úna Flanney
Wed	09.45	Maura Reade
Thu	09.45	Maureen Clancy
Fri	09.45	Eamonn Boland

Next Weekend

Sat	19.00	Special Intention
Sun	10.00	Pro Populo
	11.30	Breda Wall (1st Anniv) Con Twomey Gerard Cosgrave

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

PARISH OFFICE

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday,
7.45am -12.45pm
Parish Secretary, Mrs Brid Hession
Tel: 061 338340
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All Church Bookings to be made by contacting the Parish Office or calling into the sacristy. Thankyou.

Tower Report

Brief Update: The report from Punch's Engineers has now been submitted to the Diocesan Property Trust Committee for information, consideration & advice.

Faith Community News

Fáilte/Welcome

This weekend we celebrate the baptisms of Rayna McCauley, Zoe Coughlan and Emma O' Sullivan. We welcome Rayna, Zoe and Emma into the Christian family and congratulate their families on this special occasion.

Diocesan News

Diocesan Pilgrimages 2024

Knock

The Limerick Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Saturday 13th July. Please let Fr. Seamus or Brid know if you might be interested in travelling together. If there is enough interest we may organise a bus.

Lourdes

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes returns to its full capacity this year. For now, please note the dates in your diary: Thursday 20th to Tuesday 25th June, flying directly from Shannon to Lourdes. Expressions of interest are now invited, especially from those who would like to travel as part of the assisted pilgrim section. Further information is available from the Diocesan Office on 061-350000.

Community News

Aoife O'Driscoll Physiotherapy is holding Strength & Balance Exercise Classes in the Kilmurray Arts & Heritage Centre every Thursday. Would you like to improve your balance, increase your functional mobility, gain confidence and feel stronger in a fun & social environment? Why don't you give this class a go. All abilities welcome. Exercises tailored for each individual. Small class size. 6 weeks block or Pay as you go options available. If you are interested please contact:

Aoife O'Driscoll, Tel: 083 3094587

Email: aoifeodphysio@gmail.com

For your Diary

- ◆ **Vincent de Paul**
Our monthly collection in aid of the important work of the Society of St Vincent de Paul will take place at all Masses this weekend. Your support is very much appreciated.
- ◆ **Divine Mercy Sunday**
Special devotions and Mass will be held this afternoon, Sunday, 7th April at Mount Saint Alphonsus, Redemptorist Church, 2.30 to 5.45pm. All Welcome.
- ◆ **Parish Pastoral Group**
Our Pastoral Working Group will meet on Thursday 11th April at 7pm.
- ◆ **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**
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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).
- ◆ **Diocesan Pilgrimage to KNOCK**
Saturday 17th July. Contact the office or Fr Seamus to express your interest.

Please return your Trocaire Box to the Church.

Thank you for your generosity

