



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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## 5th Sunday of Easter 28th April 2024

## **Gospel Reflection**

'I am the true vine' In 15:1-8

In a relationship connectedness is important. Just as the vine is pruned in order to be fruitful, so we will be pruned when we accept the give and take of healthy relationships. Just think of the times when you found a relationship grew when considered the needs of the other as well as your own.

In the 'JOY OF THE GOSPEL' Pope Francis wrote, 'I invite all Christians, everywhere, at this very moment to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ. He goes on to suggest that when individuals, or groups, focus on Jesus there is an increase of energy and vitality.

The parable of the vine and the branches, reminds us we are not the source of our own life. It is a gift from God, from our parents, and from all who have nourished us. We give thanks for those who have been the source of life for us.



#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat 27th - Sun 5th Mav'24

#### This Weekend

19.00 Special Intention

Sun 10.00 Oliver Condon

11.30 Mary O' Toole Ridgway

#### Weekdays

Tue 09.45 Marcella Gilliand

Wed 09.45 John Drumm

Thu 09.45 Tommy Murphy

Mary Murphy

09.45 Danny McCormack

#### Next Weekend

19.00 Thomas Moloney (Months Mind)

10.00 Bridie & Thomas O' Shea & John & Anglea Ryan & grandson Frank

11.30 Seamus Movnihan

**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.



# Faith Community News

#### Fáilte/Welcome

This weekend we celebrate the baptism of Charlie Hurley. We welcome Charlie into the Christian family & congratulate his family on this special occasion.

#### Sympathy

The Funeral Mass of **Seamus Moynihan** (School House Road) took place in our Church on Friday 26th April. Our sympathy to his wife Rita and family. May he rest in peace.

#### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Aidan Madden and Clare O' Regan (Newtown) who celebrated their wedding here in Monaleen Church on Thursday 25th April. We wish Clare, Aidan and their children Eli and Leah every happiness and blessing for the years ahead.

#### **Holy Communion/Confirmation**



Please keep our 263 children preparing for their 1st Holy Communion & Confirmation in your prayers.



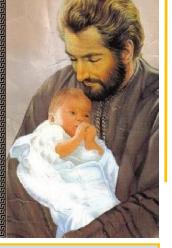
## Feast of St Joseph-1st May

#### **Prayer to** St. Joseph

In quiet Nazareth long ago, the Holy Spirit spoke to your heart and you followed God's will with wonderful faith.

In the quiet of my days, and in the hard choices I must make, help me follow the Spirit's guidance and believe when I cannot see.

thepassionists.org



Confessions: Sat. at 6pm

## For your Diary

**Prayer for Priests** 

The Marian Movement for Priests will meet for prayer after the 9.45am Mass on Wednesday 1st May. All Welcome.

First Friday Calls

Calls with Holy Communion to the sick and housebound will take place this Friday, 3rd May, 10.30am to 1pm.

Limerick Youth Service Our annual collection supporting Limerick Youth Service will take place next weekend, 4/5 May 2024. This will be a special 'red bag' collection after Communion. Your support would be appreciated.

**National Pilgrimage for Life** Knock Shrine, Sat 4th May, 3pm Mass and anointing of the sick.

**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).

Diocesan **Pilgrimage** KNOCK, Saturday 27th July. Contact the office or Fr Seamus to express your interest.

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**NEWSLETTER ITEMS BY** THURSDAY, 16.00hrs