



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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The Ascension of the Lord 12th May 2024

Gospel Reflection

'He was taken up into heaven' Mk 16:15-20

The ascension marked the end of the visible presence of Jesus with the disciples, but he would be with them in other ways. We can experience that death is not the end of the presence of someone significant for us. We can experience the unseen presence of and influence of a parent, a friend or inspiring leader, even after they have died.

Leonardo da Vinci had started to work on a large canvas in his studio. Then suddenly he stopped working on it. Summoning one of his talented students, the master invited him to complete the work. The horrified student protested that he was both unworthy and unable to complete the great painting which his master had begun. But da Vinci silenced him. 'Will not what I have done inspire you to do your best?'

Jesus our master began to spread the Good News two thousand years ago by what he said and did, and supremely by what he suffered. Jesus illustrated his message and left us to finish the picture. This is the message of the Ascension.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 11th - Sun 19th May'24

This Weekend

Sat	19.00	Seamus Moynihan
Sun	10.00	Jim Christian (Month's Mind) Seamus Moynihan
	11.30	Michael Burke Tom Toomey Eamon O' Gorman Domenico Contro & his father Vittorio Fortuna

Weekdays

Tue	09.45	Larry & Norah Kenny Mary O' Connell
Wed	09.45	Pat Hennessy Seamus Moynihan
Thu	09.45	NO REGULAR MASS Confirmations
Fri	09.45	Jim Christian Timothy Kirby

Next Weekend

Sat	19.00	John O' Connor (1st Anniv) & his father Tom Gregory & Stuart Byrne
Sun	10.00	Fr Willie Walsh Michael & Mary Daly Sarah Madigan
	11.30	Hilda Uí Raitfeirí Seamus O' Shea Mary O' Brien and DM of O' Brien & Hurley Family Joe & Eda Mulqueen

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



ADORATION
of the
BLESSED
SACRAMENT

Tue, 10am - 10pm

All Welcome

Faith Community News

Fáilte/Welcome

This weekend we celebrate the baptism of Kayla Spillane. We welcome Kayla into the Christian family & congratulate her family on this special occasion.



Congratulations

Congratulations to **Emma Rea & John Canny** (Ballysimon Rd) who celebrated their wedding here in Monaleen Church on Saturday 11th May. We wish Emma and John every happiness and blessing for the years ahead.

Getting Married?

If you plan to get married in any Church and are living in Monaleen Parish; please remember you must complete pre nuptial Marriage Papers with Fr Seamus. Please see our website for more details.

First Holy Communion Day

Congratulations to the 40 girls & boys from Monaleen National School who made their 1st Holy Communion on Friday 10th May. We wish all the new communicants and their families every blessing and hope they may continue to know Jesus as their friend. *Ní heart go cur le Chéile.*



PARISH WEBSITE
www.monaleenparish.ie

NEWSLETTER ITEMS BY
THURSDAY, 16.00hrs



Transition Year students from Castletroy College with teacher, Ms. Marie Hanley and Fr Pater-Claver, pictured outside Monaleen Church. Our gratitude to students and teachers for the big clean up around our Church on Wed 8th May.

For your Diary



- ◆ **Sacristans Collection**
Our twice yearly collection in support of our wonderful Sacristans will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Your generosity toward this collection would be most welcome & appreciated.
- ◆ **ICA - Castletroy**
Meeting next Wednesday, 15th May, 8pm - Don Bosco Hall, Milford.
- ◆ **Diocesan Needs**
Our monthly collection supporting the administrative and pastoral work of our diocese takes place next weekend, 18/19 May 2024. Thank you for your support.
- ◆ **Coffee Morning**
A fundraising coffee morning will be held in the vicinity of the sacristy area after Sunday morning Masses on 26th May. This is in aid of supporting young people travelling to Lourdes with the Diocesan Pilgrimage in June. Your support would be appreciated.
- ◆ **First Holy Communions**
Monaleen National School
Friday 24th May, 10.30am & 12.30pm
Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treigh
Friday 31st May, 10.30am & 12.30pm
- ◆ **Confirmations**
Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treigh
Thursday 16th May, 10am & 12noon
Monaleen National School
Thursday 13th June, 10am & 11.30am
Friday 14th June, 10am & 11.30am