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SUNDAY 21st APRIL 2024
THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FÁILTE / WELCOME

to everyone who worships in our churches today

The Church of Ireland is glad to welcome **all baptized Christians** to receive communion at celebrations of the Eucharist.

Please take a moment to check you have **switched off your phone** before worship begins.



This year, we are celebrating the Bi-Centenary of the consecration of St James's Church, Mallow, and there will be services and events to mark this significant anniversary of one of our three churches.

SERVICES TODAY

10.00am MORNING PRAYER in St Mary's, Castletownroche

10.00am THE EUCHARIST in St Mary's, Doneraile

11.45 THE EUCHARIST followed by refreshments in St James's, Mallow

WEDNESDAY

24th April Eve of St Mark, Evangelist

11.00am

THE EUCHARIST

in St James's, Mallow

Acts 15: 35-41 Mark 13. 5-13

TODAY'S READINGS

Acts 4: 5-12

The next day the rulers, elders and scribes of the Jewish people assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This lesus is "the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

John 10: 11-18

Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

NEWS ITEMS

THANK YOU to all who supported the concert in St Mary's, Doneraile, on Friday last. It was a great occasion which was enjoyed by many.

BIG HYMN SING All are welcome to St Fachtna's Cathedral, Rosscarbery, next Saturday I Iam April 27th. Proceeds will go towards the Mothers' Union project 'Mums in May'.

MALLOW FIELD CLUB will have an evening outing to explore St James's and St Anne's Churches on Wednesday Ist May from 7pm-9pm. Please note the new date. The evening is part of the St James's 200 years celebrations.

CASTLETOWNROCHE MAY SUPPER All are very welcome to a supper in the Community Hall in Castletownroche on Friday 3rd May at 8.00pm. Please pre-book tickets (€20) *before* 30th April from either Diana Buckley 086 1547810 or Hazel Ladd 087 9471182.

THE CHOIR OF ST FIN BARRE'S CATHEDRAL, CORK will be coming to St James's, Mallow on Sunday 9th June at 4.00pm to lead us in a service of Choral Evensong. This is a muchtreasured part of our Anglican tradition of worship from the Book of Common Prayer, with glorious music, offering us all space to reflect and pray. All are very welcome.

ST JAMES'S COMMUNITY CAFÉ This new outreach initiative on Friday mornings during the Farmers' Market in Mallow is in full swing. Do come and support it – and invite others to come with you!

ST JAMES'S COMMUNITY GARDEN Thank you to those who have taken bulbs to prepare for planting – but don't forget to bring them back! Also, let us know if you want to be involved in the garden.

WHATSAPP St James's now has its own Whatsapp group. If you want to belong to this group, get in touch with any one of the three administrators: Jennifer Hartnett: 087 253 6884; Kevin Keane: 086 080 8946; Valerie Ferguson: 087 167 8646

POETRY IRELAND DAY will be celebrated with a free event in Mallow Library on Thursday next, 25th April at 2.30pm with poetry reading, writing and music. All are welcome.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For Paul, our Bishop, and for the clergy and people of this united Diocese; and, in the worldwide Anglican Communion, for the Anglican Church of Australia.

We pray for all those who have asked for our prayers, including Olive Kingston, Cliff O'Hanlon, Nicholas Cummins, Ben Buckley, Tom Ladd, Annette Hooton.

We commend to God the recently departed especially Beatrice Alice Waldron, Anthony Connolly, Ediagbonya Uwumarogie, Doris Moffatt, Ann de Montfort and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time, especially Angelica Das, Edward O'Grady, Catherine O'Flynn.

We also pray for victims of war throughout the world, especially in Ukraine and Gaza; and for farmers and growers across Ireland whose work and livelihoods have been severely impacted by the weather.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 28th April: The Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 8. 26-40; John 15. 1-8

10.00am THE EUCHARIST in St Mary's, Castletownroche **10.00am** MORNING PRAYER in St Mary's, Doneraile

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