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> SUNDAY 5th MAY 2024 THE SIXTH 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 8th May

I I.00am THE EUCHARIST

Acts 17. 15, 22 – 18. 8; John 16.12-15 ***

> 9th May Ascension Day

8.00pm FESTIVAL EUCHARIST (with hymns) in St James's, Mallow

Acts 10: 44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

John 15: 9-17

lesus said, as the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. 'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants^{*} any longer, because the servant^{*} does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

NEWS ITEMS

THANK YOU to *everyone* who gave their time, skill and energy to welcome so many of us from the three churches of the Union, along with friends from the wider community, to the buffet supper in Castletownroche on Friday last.

ASCENSION DAY The fortieth day of the Easter season, when we celebrate the risen Jesus returning to his Father and taking our humanity with him, falls on **Thursday next**, **9**th **May**. There will be a celebration of the Eucharist (with hymns) at **8.00pm** in St James's Church, Mallow.

CÓR MHAGH EALLA will be holding a concert "May Melodies" in St James's Church, Mallow, on Friday next 10th May at 8pm, with a Prosecco reception at 7.30pm. Tickets available at the Farmers' Market, at Katie's Newsagents and the Lime House, Main Street, Mallow.

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 much-treasured part of our Anglican tradition of worship from the Book of Common Prayer, with glorious music, offering us all space to reflect, to breathe and to pray. All are very welcome.

BICENTENNIAL QUILT Various organisations in the area are contributing a square to this fabulous quilt. How about helping with a square depicting St Mary's Doneraile and the same for St Mary's Castletownroche? Do be in touch with Jennifer Hartnett.

ST JAMES'S COMMUNITY CAFÉ This excellent 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 The gardening volunteers meet usually Saturday 10am at St James's. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in.

MALLOW LIBRARY Celebrate Bealtaine on Tuesday next, 14th of May at 11.00am with a Morning of Music and Memories, Stories and Images from Days Gone by With Linda Kenny & Maurice Healy on Piano and Vocals along with Special Guest Seán Ó Sé.

REPAIR CAFÉ Saturday, 18th May – 11.00-1.30, Mallow Library. **TALK** given by Clinical psychologist Dr. Mary Tobin on "Coping with the Ups and Downs of Everyday Life" as part of "Your Good Self: Cork's Positive Self -help programme" - Tuesday May 28th at 11.00am, Mallow Library.

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, Jill Roche, Kitty Griffin 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 young people preparing for the Junior and Leaving Certificate.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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NEXT SUNDAY Sunday 12th May : The Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1: 15-17, 21-26; John 17. 6-19

10.00am THE EUCHARIST in St Mary's, Castletownroche
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in the Parish Hall from 11.30am.