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MALLOW UNION

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SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER 2024
THE THIRD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

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.

TODAY

10.00am THE EUCHARIST in St Mary's, Castletownroche

10.00am MORNING PRAYER in St Mary's, Doneraile

4pm SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND REFLECTION in St James's

Mallow. A service of music and readings as we hold our departed loved ones and past worshippers before God. The service is followed by refreshments.

WEDNESDAY

13th November

11.00am

THE EUCHARIST in St James's, Mallow

Titus 3. 1-7 Luke 17. 11-19

TODAY'S READINGS

I Kings 17: 8-16

The word of the Lord came to Elijah, saying, 'Go now to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and live there; for I have commanded a widow there to feed you.' So he set out and went to Zarephath. When he came to the gate of the town, a widow was there gathering sticks; he called to her and said, 'Bring me a little water in a vessel, so that I may drink.' As she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, 'Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.' But she said, 'As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of meal in a jar, and a little oil in a jug; I am now gathering a couple of sticks, so that I may go home and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.' Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid; go and do as you have said; but first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterwards make something for yourself and your son. For thus says the Lord the God of Israel: The jar of meal will not be emptied and the jug of oil will not fail until the day that the Lord sends rain on the earth.' She went and did as Elijah said, so that she as well as he and her household ate for many days. The jar of meal was not emptied, neither did the jug of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Mark 12: 38-44

As he taught, Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the market-places, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honour at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.' He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.'

NEWS ITEMS

TODAY there will be acts of remembrance for all who have died in conflicts here in Ireland and across the wider world in Castletownroche and Doneraile at the regular services at I 0.00am. At **4.00pm** in St James's, Mallow, there will be the annual service of Remembrance & Thanksgiving, to which the recently bereaved are especially welcome, where we will remember our departed loved ones and, in this bicentennial year, we shall remember especially past worshippers.

GARDENING CLASS There is a 4 week Introduction to Gardening course in the Pastoral Centre in Doneraile. Beginning November 14th 4pm to 6.30 All are welcome. Please register on the 'Doneraile for All' Facebook Page. This is organised by Ballyhoura Development www.ballyhouradevelopment.com

MOTHERS' UNION are hosting a Christmas Dinner on Tuesday 26th November (more details to follow). All are very welcome.

GENEROUS GIVING / GIFT DAY On Sunday next, November 17th we will hold our Gift Day when we focus on the generosity of God and our own response to God's generous love towards us. We are invited to bring an additional financial donation so that our parishes can meet our financial target for 2024. We are grateful to all who give financially or by other means to the parish each year. This ensures that the parish can continue to develop its ministry and mission into the future. If anyone wishes to sign up to:

- The 'Planned Giving/Envelope' method of regular giving for 2024 onwards, and/or
- The Revenue Tax Back Scheme (for donations over €250 in the year, tax can be claimed back by the parish from the Revenue Commissioners) You can contact the parish treasurer, Jackie Nagle on (087) 795 1559 or by email at mallowuniontreasurer@gmail.com

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS will take place on Friday 13th
December and Saturday 14th December in St James's Church,
Mallow. Tickets at €25.00 are now on sale: in Katie's Newsagent, Main
Street, Mallow; in church during the Farmers' Market on Friday mornings
from 10.00am-12.30pm. You can phone 085 178 8336 but only between
2.00pm-4.00pm. Also please consider helping with refreshments on
either evening (or both). First timers are very welcome!

COMMUNITY CAFÉ We are very grateful to those who give their time to welcome people to the café during the Farmers' Market on Friday mornings at St James's, Mallow, and all those who keep the church doors open to offer a welcoming presence to visitors as well as people from the town. The café is open from 9.30am every Friday.

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 United Church of South India.

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

We commend to God the recently departed, especially Kehinde Adeyanju, Victor Sullivan, Violet Draper and those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time of the year, especially Eileen O'Riordan, Bose Akanu, Bryan Deane, Evelyn Atkinson, Norman Bolster.

We also pray for victims of war throughout the world, for members of the Defence Forces and for all who seek lasting peace in all places of conflict.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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NEXT SUNDAY

Sunday 17th November: The Second Sunday before Advent (PARISH GIFT DAY)

Daniel 12. 1-3; Mark 13. 1-8

10.00am MORNING PRAYER in St Mary's, Castletownroche

10.00am THE EUCHARIST in St Mary's, Doneraile

II.45am THE EUCHARIST, followed by refreshments. (with activities for our Younger Worshippers in the Parish Hall from II.30am)