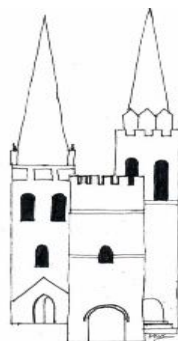


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SUNDAY 19th JANUARY 2025
The Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Fáilte – Welcome

We are very glad to welcome everyone who worships in our churches today. We hope you will feel at home among us, especially if you are joining us for worship for the first time.

Please take a moment to check that you have turned off your 'phone before worship begins.

The Church of Ireland is a part of the worldwide Anglican Communion. We are glad to welcome all baptized Christians, who normally receive communion in their own churches, to receive communion at all celebrations of the Eucharist.

WORSHIP THIS WEEK

TODAY

10.00am MORNING PRAYER *in St Mary's Castletownroche*

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

11.45am THE EUCHARIST *in St James's, Mallow*

with Sunday Club for our younger worshippers,
followed by refreshments.

WEDNESDAY 22nd January : Conversion of St Paul (anticipated)

11.00am THE EUCHARIST *in St James's, Mallow*

Acts 9. 1-22; Matthew 19. 27-30

PROCLAIMING & RECEIVING THE WORD



Isaiah 62: 1-5

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give. You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

John 2: 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

CHURCH AND COMMUNITY LIFE



WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY began yesterday, when all Christians pray for greater unity in the worldwide Church. To conclude the week, there will be worship in Charleville on Sunday next, 26th January at 7.30pm, when the Rector will give a reflection on the theme of this year's material, marking the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea, from which the Creed we recite at celebrations of the Eucharist on Sunday emerged – and which provides a shared framework of belief for Christians of all traditions.

DIOCESAN VOCATIONS EVENTS There are two events being held in the coming weeks. First, an Exploration Morning (for anyone thinking generally about either lay or ordained ministry) at Carrigrohane Parish Hall from 10.00am to 1.00pm on Saturday next, 25th January. Second, there is a retreat for anyone considering ordained ministry specifically, at the Manresa Retreat Centre in Drumcondra, Dublin from Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd February. If anyone is interested in either event, please have a word with the Rector for further details.

MALLOW FIELD CLUB LECTURE Tuesday 21 January 2025 at 8.00pm: The Story of Ireland's Natural Gas. Lecture given by Diarmuid O'Drisceoil at the Mallow GAA Complex, Carrigoon, P51 XV58.

ADULT EDUCATION There is a course covering QQI Level 4 Spreadsheet Methods starting in Cork College of FET on Wednesday January 22nd from 12.30pm to 3.00pm. Contact Brendan Glynn for further details (022) 55452 or email brendan.glynn@corketb.ie

LOOKING FROM CHRISTMAS TOWARDS EASTER The 40 days of Christmas & Epiphanytide concludes on Sunday 2nd February, the feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple when, in the words of the hymn 'Christmas meets Easter on Candlemas day.'

CONFIRMATION If anyone is interested in preparing for Confirmation this year, please be in touch with the Rector before the end of January.

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

26th January : The Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Nehemiah 8: 1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Luke 4: 14--30

- 10.00am THE EUCHARIST *in St Mary's, Castletownroche*
10.00am MORNING PRAYER *in St Mary's, Doneraile*
11.45am THE EUCHARIST *in St James's, Mallow* with Sunday Club for our younger worshippers and all followed by refreshments.
7.30pm ECUMENICAL WORSHIP *in the hall at the rear of the Convent of Mercy, Main St, Charleville*

FOR OUR PRAYERS



FOR THE CHURCH For Paul, our Bishop, and for the clergy and people of this united Diocese; and, in the worldwide Anglican Communion, for the Church in the Province of the West Indies.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS Tom Ladd, Jerome O'Callaghan.

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED & THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME Annette Hooton, Dorothy Morgan, Clifford O'Hanlon, Gillian St Leger Mulligan, Alastair Russell, Paula Canty; Norman Bolster, Louise Nagle, Ned Foott, Sandy Lysaght, Geraldine St Leger, Gerry Flynn.

FOR THE WIDER COMMUNITY & THE WORLD for Ukraine, Gaza (and for efforts to implement the ceasefire) Lebanon, Syria, Somalia, Sudan and all places of conflict; for those working to form a government in our own country; and for those who have lost loved-ones, homes and livelihoods following the fires in Los Angeles.

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