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## *Mallow Union of Parishes*

Aontas Pharóiste Mhala

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SUNDAY 16th FEBRUARY 2025

*The Third Sunday before Lent*

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 19th FEBRUARY**

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

Genesis 8. 6-13, 20-22; Mark 8. 22-26

## PROCLAIMING & RECEIVING THE WORD



### **Jeremiah 17. 5-10**

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

### **Luke 6. 17-26**

Jesus came down from the mountain with the twelve and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

## CHURCH AND COMMUNITY LIFE



**DEMENTIA AWARENESS WEEK** North Cork Dementia Alliance is offering a free on-line session to provide information and support on dementia awareness, on Wednesday next, 19<sup>th</sup> February from 10.00am to 11.00am. To register, contact [sinead@ncdementiaalliance.ie](mailto:sinead@ncdementiaalliance.ie)

**LOOKING AHEAD TO LENT** This year, we have four weeks of 'ordinary time' between Candlemas and the beginning of Lent, as Easter is later. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March, and there will be two celebrations of the Eucharist, with hymns and ashing, on that day: at 11.00am in Mallow; and at 8.00pm in Castletownroche.

**DIETRICH BONHOEFFER – THE FILM** is being released on 7<sup>th</sup> March and is a gripping historical drama based on the life of German theologian, anti-Nazi resistance leader, and Christian martyr, Dietrich Bonhoeffer. He made a significant and lasting impact on Christian thinking during the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Look out for it at a cinema near you.

**INTERNATIONAL WOMENS' DAY** will be celebrated on Saturday 8th March in St Mary's Church, Doneraile, at 7pm (doors open at 6,30pm) with an evening of music, song and creativity to celebrate the girls and women in our community and beyond. If anyone would like to submit an artwork, craft, textiles or wishes to perform on the night, please contact Mary St Ledger on: 085 178 8336.

**BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS** The Church of St John the Baptist in Midleton is celebrating its 200th anniversary this year, beginning with a service of celebration beginning of this year of celebration at 6.00pm on Sunday 9th March. This service is open to all.

**MOTHERS' UNION** We are looking forward to welcoming members of the Mothers' Union Diocesan Council to a celebration of the Eucharist (with hymns) in St James's Church, Mallow, on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April at 11.30am.

## WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

23<sup>rd</sup> February : The Second Sunday before Lent

Genesis 2: 4b-9, 15-25; Luke 8. 22-35

- 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,  
followed by refreshments.  
7.30pm ECUMENICAL WORSHIP *in the hall at the rear of  
the Convent of Mercy, Main Street, 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 of Bangladesh.

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

**THE RECENTLY DEPARTED & THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME** June Gardiner, Alastair Russell, Paula Canty, Billy Quin, Deirdre, Gertrude Musgrave, Tony Goodman and Thomas Atkinson.

**FOR THE WIDER COMMUNITY & THE WORLD** for Ukraine, Gaza and for those struggling to maintain the fragile ceasefire, and for all places of conflict.

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