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## *Mallow Union of Parishes*

Aontas Pharóiste Mhala

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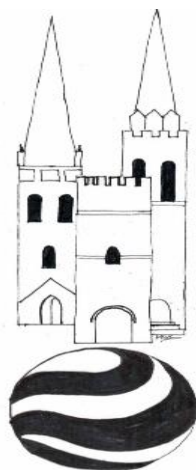
*The First Sunday after Trinity*

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 MORNING PRAYER *in St Mary's, Doneraile*

11.45am MORNING PRAYER *in St James's, Mallow* with Sunday Club for our younger worshippers, followed by refreshments.

#### **WEDNESDAY 25th JUNE**

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

Genesis 15: 1–12, 17–18; Matthew 7: 15–20

## PROCLAIMING & RECEIVING THE WORD



### **Isaiah 65: 1-9**

The Lord says, I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am', to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, 'Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you.' These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, 'Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it', so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

### **Luke 8: 26-39**

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, 'What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me' — for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, 'What is your name?' He said, 'Legion'; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man

from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, 'Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you.' So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

## *CHURCH AND COMMUNITY LIFE*



**SUNDAY NEXT, 29<sup>th</sup> JUNE** When there is a fifth Sunday in the month, there is one service for the whole Union. On Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June there will be a celebration of the Eucharist in St James's, Mallow, at 11am followed by refreshments, to which all are very welcome.

**ECUMENICAL WORSHIP** takes place in the hall at the rear of the Convent of Mercy, Main Street, Charleville at 7.30pm on Sunday next, 29<sup>th</sup> June. This is an opportunity for Anglicans, Methodists, Roman Catholics and Christians of other traditions to worship and enjoy time together over refreshments afterwards.

**FESTIVALS** Doneraile Art FesT begins this coming week, from Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 26<sup>th</sup> through to Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June. Mallow Arts Festival runs from Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> through to Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July (which will include four concerts in St James's, Mallow). For more details, please go to: [www.doneraileartfest.com](http://www.doneraileartfest.com); and [www.mallowartsfestival.com](http://www.mallowartsfestival.com)

**SUMMER CLUB** All our younger worshippers are welcome at the Parish Hall for a few hours enjoyment and refreshments on Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 11am-3pm

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** St James's Mallow, July 6<sup>th</sup> after the Eucharist

**THE BISHOP** intends to ordain candidates for the diaconate and the priesthood at St Fin Barre's Cathedral at 3.30pm today. We pray for all new deacons and priests as they begin their new ministry.

**WE ARE GRATEFUL** for the ministry of Dr Simon Woodward, Diocesan Reader, who is leading worship in Castletownroche and Mallow today, alongside Avril Gubbins, who is leading worship in Doneraile.

## WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

29<sup>th</sup> June : St Peter, Apostle

Acts 12: 1-11; Matthew 16: 13-19

11.00am THE EUCHARIST *in St James's, Mallow*, 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, for the clergy and people of this united Diocese; for the worldwide Anglican Communion, for the Church of the Province of Myanmar.

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

**THE RECENTLY DEPARTED & THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME** Ella Marry, Tom O'Donovan, David Scannell, Tim O'Callaghan, Olive Kingston, Victoria Adeduntan, Kayode Adeyanju, Pauline Castle.

**WE PRAY TOO** for young people completing their exams and who are looking forward to a long summer break. We pray, too, for farmers facing into a busy summer of grass cutting for winter feed.

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## KEEPING IN TOUCH

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