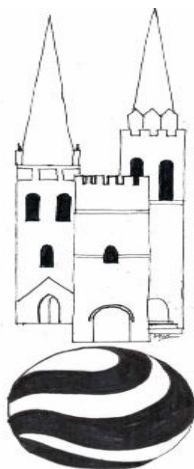


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SUNDAY 4th JANUARY 2026

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

10.00 am MORNING PRAYER in St Mary's Castletownroche

10.00 am THE EUCHARIST in St Mary's Doneraile

4.00 pm CHRISTINGLE SERVICE in St James's Mallow – with festive music and symbols - followed by a Christmas Party for our young (and not so young) members

WEDNESDAY 7th January 2026

11.00am THE EUCHARIST in St James's, Mallow

1 John 3: 22- 4-6; Matthew 4: 12-17, 23-25

PROCLAIMING & RECEIVING THE WORD



Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

Matthew 2: 1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.' " Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

CHURCH & COMMUNITY LIFE



PASTORAL CARE DURING THE RECTOR'S LEAVE The Rev'd Clodagh Yambasu, Rector of Fermoy Union will be the primary priest responsible for pastoral care. She can be contacted on 0873262472. The Rev'd Meghan Farr will be the next priest in support. Her number is 0851282778. Sunday Services will continue at the usual times. The Wednesday morning Eucharist will be celebrated by the Rev'd Eileen Cremin.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please let Churchwardens have notices for inclusion in Newsletter by Wednesday of each week if possible:

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*We thank all who have helped with
faithful preparation for the celebration
of this Christmas Season in the Parish.*

*We hope you continue to have a Happy
and Peaceful Christmas - especially if
you are in our midst for the first time!*

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

11th January 2026 The Baptism of our Lord

Isaiah 42: 1-9; Matthew 3: 13-17

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| 10.00 am | THE EUCHARIST <i>in St Mary's Castletownroche</i> |
| 10.00 am | MORNING PRAYER <i>in St Mary's Doneraile</i> |
| 11.45 am | THE EUCHARIST <i>in St James's Mallow followed by refreshments</i> |

FOR OUR PRAYERS



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

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS Jerome O'Callaghan, Mary Greany, June Williams, Fiontain Roukema Murray, Pat MacDonagh, Alison Bingham, Ruby Austin, Teagan Chambers.

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED & THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME Rose Shire (nee Buckley), Bill Cagney, Michael O'Callaghan, Anne Kingston, Michael Kelly, Ken Nagle, Ruby Perrott, Katherine Barnwell, Barry Daly, Billy O'Connell, Tim O'Callaghan, Annette Hooton, Cliff O'Hanlon, Jillian St Leger, Geraldine St Leger & Elizabeth St Leger, Louise Nagle, Beckett Burnstad, Annie Lysaght.

WE PRAY TOO for people struggling to survive amid conflict at home and in many parts of the world – and for those seeking just and peaceful resolutions.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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