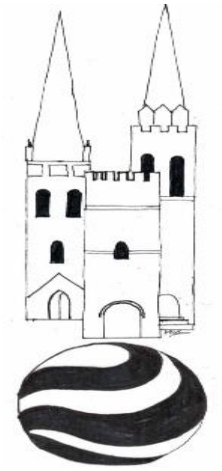
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SUNDAY 29th NOVEMBER 2026

ADVENT SUNDAY

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:

11.00am	THE EUCHARIST – UNITED SERVICE FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY IN THE MONTH *in St Mary's Castletownroche followed by refreshments*
7.30pm	ECUMENICAL SERVICE *in the hall at the rear of the Convent of Mercy, Charleville*

Wednesday 2nd December

11.00am	THE EUCHARIST *in St James's, Mallow* Isaiah 25: 6-10a; Matthew 15: 29-37

PROCLAIMING & RECEIVING THE WORD

Isaiah 64: 1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence - as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil - to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself, we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Mark 13: 24-37

Jesus said 'But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. 'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. 'But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake - for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.'

MALLOW UNION CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

on Friday 11th and Saturday 12th December, in St James's Church.
Tickets €30 available in St James's Church
Wednesdays: 12noon – 1.30pm & 5.00pm-7.00pm
Fridays: 9.30am-1.00pm
Saturdays: 11.00am – 1.00pm
Also at Katie's Newsagents

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE CHRISTMAS CONCERTS. We will need people to help with setting up before each event and clearing up after each event; Decorating St James's Church from Saturday 6th December; for Food and Drink service at both intervals and Parking attendants on both nights. Please add your name & telephone number and preferred role to the lists at the back of each church.

FROM THE DIOCESAN YOUTH OFFICER: **On Sunday 6th December** the annual Diocesan Advent Youth Service for those in 6th class and secondary school will take place in and around St Anne's Shandon. The day will begin with lunch followed by activities around the area and ending with a Service. A lovely way to prepare for Christmas, with a bit of fun and food along the way! **Age:** 6th class & Secondary School **Cost:** €15pp.
For full details contact: dyo@corkchurchofireland.com

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES FOR 2027 If you know of anyone in this Union of Parishes who wishes to be confirmed in the coming year, **please let the Churchwardens know**. They will need candidates' date of birth and their class in school so as to assess if 2027 is the best year for them and they should also need to go to church sometimes before being confirmed. As last year, Mallow Union candidates will attend classes with Revd Clodagh Yambasu and the Fermoy Union candidates, in Fermoy Rectory.

BOOK LAUNCH for Mel O'Dea's new book "The Silken Thread" will take place on Thursday 10th December – 6.00-9.00pm in West End Art Studios, Mallow. (P51 N4FR) All Welcome.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER Please let the Churchwardens have any notices or information for inclusion in the Newsletter by Wednesday of each week: Tom Cremin thomascremin8@gmail.com Catherine Harold Barry catherineharoldbarry@gmail.com and Hazel Ladd laddhazel@gmail.com

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY

6th December 2026
THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Isaiah 40:1-11; Mark 1: 1-8

10.00am	MORNING PRAYER *in St Mary's Castletownroche*
10.00am	THE EUCHARIST with BAPTISM *in St Mary's Doneraile*
11.45am	THE EUCHARIST *in St James's Mallow followed by refreshments – Jigsaw Club in the Parish Hall for younger worshippers from 11.30am*

FOR OUR PRAYERS

FOR THE CHURCH For the bishop, the clergy and people of this united Diocese; for the worldwide Anglican Communion, for the Anglican Church in Hong Kong and Macao.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS Hugh Garrett, Jerome O'Callaghan, Mary Greany, Pat MacDonagh, Teagan Chambers, Marie Nagle, Charlie Clifford, Ruby Austin.

THE RECENTLY DEPARTED & THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME Liam Forde, Fionntan Roukema, Tom Ludgate, Tommy Moore, Ben Buckley, Margaret Nagle.

WE PRAY TOO for people struggling to survive amid conflict both at home and in many parts of the world and especially for all impacted by the conflicts in Ukraine and across the Middle East – and for those seeking just and peaceful resolutions.

KEEPING IN TOUCH

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