Fermoy Parish Newsletter – *8th Nov 2026*
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collections for Weekend 31st Oct – 1st Nov 2026

Door: €1985: - Diocesan Purposes: €1985:

Fermoy Parish Office - Tel **025 30856 –** email info@fermoyparish.ie
For this week the Office hours are Monday to Friday **10am to 12pm**.

Priest on Sick Call Duty: Telephone: **087 2552276**

Offertory Collection: Restoration Fund

The Annual November Remembrance Mass: Thank you to all those who attended the Mass on Friday Evening.

Children's Liturgy: We will be celebrating 25 years of Children's Liturgy at the **10.30 am Mass** today **Sunday 8th of November.** Light refreshments will be provided after Mass in the Wagon Tavern.

November Visits & Prayers in Fermoy Cemeteries: Will take place on Sunday 15th November. Castlehyde Cemetery at 3 pm; Kilcrumper Old at 3.20pm approx., Followed by Kilcrumper New at 3.40pm approx. November Visits to Kilworth and Araglin cemeteries will take place on **Sunday 22nd of November** – Araglin Cemetery at 10.15am. Leitrim at 2.30pm, Macroney at 3.00pm and Kilworth at 3.30pm.

Masses for the Faithful Departed: The November Envelopes and Lists for Masses for the Faithful Departed are available at the back of the churches. Please include the names of your loved ones you want to be remembered on these lists. Bishop Crean and the Fermoy Priests will offer 12 Masses each for those named on The November List of The Dead. Envelopes & lists can be returned anytime during the month of November at any of the masses or to the parish office.

Adoration Chapel: The following hours needs help - Tuesday 11.30am to 12.30pm Wednesday 5.30pm to 6.30pm. - Thursday 5.30pm to 6. 30pm.Please contact the parish office if you can help out or if you can give an hour a week, thank you.

The Divine Mercy Prayer Group; Will meet on Wednesday 11th of November in the Adoration Chapel 7.30pm to 8.30pm. All are very welcome.

Fermoy Parish Envelope System: The weekly envelope collection is a valuable source of income to the parish. With reduced income on our Door collection, we encourage and appeal to anyone who has not yet signed up to the envelope system to do so for 2027, forms are available at the parish office. **If you are already contributing using the envelope system, there is no need to complete this form.** May we take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of Fermoy Parish.

Padre Pio Healing Mass: WA special Maas will be held on Monday 9th November at 7.30pm in St Patricks Church. Confessions will be held from 6.30 to 7pm. Rosary will be at 7pm. With Mass at 7.30pm followed by Benediction, Adoration & blessing with St. Pio first class relic. All Welcome

St Joseph's Monthly Men's Prayer Group: Franciscan Friars of the renewal will host an Adoration, Rosary & Talk on the 2nd Monday of Every month, 7.30 to 8.30pm. Corpus Christi Parish, Moyross, V94 V2W0, Limerick. Tea and chat optional.

ALONE: the national organisation that enables older people to age at home, are looking for Telephone Support & Befriending and Visitation Support & Befriending Volunteers to support older people in the community**. 1 hour per week** – please call 086-1677512 or email volunteer@alone.ie. If you or an Older Person you know is in need of support call 0818 222 024, seven days a week 8 am to 8 pm or see ALONE.ie/Volunteer for more info.

Before We Die: What happens to a person with an intellectual disability when their parent or family carer can no longer provide care because of illness, age, incapacity or death? **Before We Die** is seeking to address a serious and growing concern facing families in relation to securing appropriate residential support & care, and will hold an important information morning at Fermoy Community Youth Centre on Nov 20th from 11am to 1pm. Contact 085 106 8789 for further information.

Anniversary List:
Pad Burke, Anniv, Castlehyde;
Mary Granville, 1st Anniv. St. Josephs Square;
Denis O'Brien, 22nd Anniv. Duntaheen Road;
Johnny O'Sullivan, Anniv, Redmond Street;
Danny Byrne, 4th Anniv. Rushbrooke, Cobh;
Dave Walsh, Anniv. Clancy Street;
Mrs Kathleen Bourke, 2nd Anniv. Devlin Street;
Mary & Jerry Llewellyn, Anniv. Corrin View;
Anne O'Callaghan, Pike Road;
Michael Murphy, Chapel Hill;
Bridget Joyce, Knockanning & Beechfield Estate;
Mrs Kay Bourke, Devlin Street;
Michael Hassett, 40th Anniv. St Bernard's Place;
Martin Brennan, McCurtain Street;
Peggy & Michael McGrath, Dublin Road;

Fermoy Parish Newsletter: Please submit all items to be included in the newsletter by **12 noon Wednesday** to the parish office. Thank you.

THE PARISHES OF MALLOW & MOURNEABBEY

Parish Office St Joseph's Parish Centre, 27/28 Bank Place, Mallow
Phone: (022) 20276 Email: parishmallow@gmail.com
Hours: Monday to Friday 9am-5pm. Closed 10am-10.30am & 1pm-2pm
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8TH NOVEMBER 2026 ~ 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

St Mary's Church, Mallow
Saturday (vigil): 6.30pm
Sunday: 8.30am & 11.00am
Monday – Saturday: 10.00am
Confessions Saturday after 10.00am Mass
Convent of Mercy: Sunday Mass 9.30am

Church of the Resurrection, Mallow
Saturday (vigil): 7.30pm
Sunday: 10.00am & 12.00pm
Monday – Friday: 9.15am
Confessions Friday after 9.15am Mass

St John the Baptist, Burnfort
Sunday 11.30am
Thursday 9.30am

St Michael the Archangel, Analeentha
Sunday 10.00am
Friday 9.30am

Adoration Chapel in St Mary's Church Monday to Saturday 10.30am – 6.00pm
The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Saturdays & Sundays. Enquiries to the Parish Office.
Livestreaming from St Mary's Church on churchservices.tv/mallow
Catholic newspapers are on sale after Sunday Masses in Mallow.
Society of St Vincent de Paul Contact (022)50188 or (086)2693571

November - Month of the Holy Souls

November is a special time to remember to pray for our dead. Each Priest in the Parish celebrates twelve Masses for the Holy Souls annually. The lists of all deceased will be placed in front of the altar and they will be remembered at all Masses during November.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR COMING WEEK - MONDAY 9TH NOVEMBER – SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER

St. Mary's Church *Mon* Margaret Fleming *Wed* Michael & Hannah May O'Regan *Thur* Eileen Flaherty, *Fri* Margaret (Ciss) Higgins, *Sat 10am* Brendan Barton, *Sat Vigil 6.30pm* Kathleen O'Flaherty, *Sun 8.30am* Archdeacon Gerard Casey P.P., *Sun 11am* Joe & Nora Cronin

Church of the Resurrection *Wed* Ellen Cronin *Fri* John O'Regan & Richardson Family, *Sat Vigil 7.30pm* Frank Egan, *Sun 10am* Tom O'Connor, *Sun 12pm* Months Mind: Brendan Murphy

St. Michael the Archangel, Analeentha *Sun 10am* First Anniv: Richard Curtin

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK (*Optional observance in italics)*
Mon 9th The Dedication of the Lateran Archbasilica of Our Saviour and St John, **Tue 10th** St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church, **Wed 11th** St Martin of Tours, Bishop, **Thur 12th** St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr, **Sat 14th** *St Laurence O'Toole, Bishop*

Cemetery Prayers in November

St. Joseph's; today, Sunday 8th Nov. at 3.00 p.m.
(If weather prohibits, Prayers will be said in St. Mary's Church at 3 p.m.)
St. Mary's; Sunday 15th Nov. after 11 a.m. Mass
(If weather prohibits, Prayers will be said in St. Mary's Church after 11a.m Mass.)

Cemetery Prayers in Mourneabbey Parish

The Abbey and Ballinamona Cemeteries; today, Sunday 8th Nov., at 12.30pm and 1pm

Mallow General Hospital Grounds; Sunday 22nd November at 2.30 p.m.
Prayers will be recited around the Cross at the back of the carpark.

Adoration Chapel

We appeal to anyone who might consider committing to **1 hour per week in the Adoration Chapel** to please contact either John at 087 2539597 or Vincent at 086 1085098. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

NOTICES

The 2nd Mass for the children of the 2nd classes and their families in the "Grow in Love in the Parish" programme will be at the **10.00am and 11.00am Masses next Sunday, 15th November.**
Thanks to all who assisted in organising last week's Masses for those who died during the year.
The second collection next weekend 14th/15th Nov., will be for the Social and Family Services. This annual collection goes towards other contributions from the Diocese to various social and family agencies. These include ACCORD and the Regional Marriage Tribunal. Support of these agencies is one very practical way of supporting family and life in the present culture.
St. Mary's Tea/Coffee after Mass – everyone's invited for a cuppa and chat after 10am Mass on Fri., 13th Nov., (in the Hibernian Hotel!) A chance to grow our parish community spirit (from Mallow Parish Pastoral Council).
Week of Witness for Persecuted Christians – One in ten Christians, 220 million people, live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith. The charity Aid to the Church in Need, which works to support them, is organising a Week of Witness from November 15 – 22 to highlight their plight with a special appeal for parishioners to pray for the suffering Church on 'Red Wednesday' November 18th. More information is available at www.acnireland.org
A Presentation on our *Mental Health and Wellbeing* will be given by Mr. Martin Ryan, Mental Health Resource Officer, on **Thurs., 19th Nov., at 7.30pm** at Mourneabbey Community Centre, P51 AKP9. The talk will cover simple ways to support and maintain positive mental health, and provide information on approved mental health supports, services and websites. There will be time for questions and answers following the presentation. All welcome. **Please note that the date has changed for this event.**
Mourneabbey Parish - Remembrance Mass for those who died during the year will take place on **Friday, 13th November, 7.30pm** at the **Church of St John the Baptist, Burnfort.**
ALONE - the national organisation that enables older people to age at home are looking for volunteers for Telephone support, befriending and visitation to support older people in the community – 1 hour per week. Contact 086 1677512, email volunteer@alone.ie or see ALONE.ie/Volunteer for further details.
Mallow GAA – Annual Mass for Deceased Club Members will be held on Thurs., 12th Nov., at 7.30pm at the Mallow GAA Complex.

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Thirty Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Thought for the Day

Ready for Action

'It's a terrible thing, I think, in life to wait until you're ready. I have this feeling now that actually no one is ever ready to do anything. There is almost no such thing as ready. There is only now. And you may as well do it now. Generally speaking, now is as good a time as any.' Hugh Laurie

I'm not ready – we all think it or say it from time to time. It could be as simple as not being able to find your shoes to leave the house, or a more serious situation like being under-prepared for a work presentation. It can also refer to our emotional state – we might not be ready to talk about an experience, to change a habit, to enter into a relationship, or to let go of a loved one. No one else can tell us if we are ready for a situation or not. It is something only we know. But there is some wisdom in the quote above, in that sometimes we need to push ourselves, to just dive in.

The parable in today's gospel pits two groups in stark contrast – the foolish bridesmaids who failed to prepare, and the sensible ones who were ready with their lamps and oil. Both groups fell asleep on the job, but only one group had laid the groundwork and so were ready for action. Jesus tells us we need to be watchful and ready. As well as having the light of faith, we need the fuel – the actions – to keep it lit so we are ready when the Lord comes.

Some Light Humour – "Being a bridesmaid is an honour, an emotional journey, and a financial contribution to a colour palette you didn't choose."

The Pope's Monthly Intention - *For the proper use of wealth* – Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

A Lighted Candle - Often, we light candles as a sign of remembering and as we light the candle, we say a prayer for that person that they may be enjoying the marvellous light of heaven. The candle light reminds us that we too have the opportunity to share the light of hope, that we carry, with others.

When you are in a dark place, the warmth of a smile or a kind word can mean a lot. It may feel that our own light is very small and insignificant in times of much darkness but each time it is shared, it is not halved but doubled. Together we really can make a difference.

Prayer to St Martin de Porres for Pets and Animals - Feast 5th November

Gentle St Martin, you loved the animals God gives to us in the wonders of creation. Watch over the animals Our Loving Father has provided for our use and welfare. Bless also our pets. Intercede that all disease and harm may be averted since on them so much of our livelihood and joy depends. Help us never to be cruel to them or neglectful of them. May we always, following your example, attend our daily tasks with gratitude and with ever growing love for God and for one another. And may we know the joy of animals and pets kept safe by your powerful intercession. We make this and all our prayers through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Why Sunday Matters

From the very beginning, the early Christian communities realised the importance of Sunday. It is the day of Jesus' Resurrection, a day of joy and rest, as well as charity. Sunday is the Lord's Day, the day when we are called to remember what God has done and continues to do for us. This, then, is the day the Lord's people are called to keep holy, together. The observance begins with the evening of the preceding day. Early Christians did what Jesus had asked them to do; they gathered and celebrated the meal Jesus had shared with them, the Eucharist. We also know this as the Mass. This gathering of the community on a Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist gave rise to a basic principle of the Church: There can be no Sunday without the Eucharist and no Eucharist without an assembly of the faithful. This principle endures to this day. It led Voltaire to declare, 'If you want to kill Christianity, you must abolish Sunday.' As members of the Christian community, we are each called to gather with the rest of our faith community on a Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist. The Sunday Mass is the place where we gather as a parish, as a community, as the People of God. This is at the heart of the life of the Church. It is the highpoint of our Christian life, where God nourishes us to go out and live as Christians. *catholicbishops.ie*

Arranging of Flowers in the Parish Church - We are always grateful to those who arrange the flowers in our parish church. If you would like to get involved and help create a welcoming and beautiful space for our celebrations, new volunteers would be most welcome. No previous experience is needed—just a willingness to be part of a team.

Plenary Indulgence

The Church offers a **Plenary Indulgence** during these days for those who have died and who are awaiting purification – we refer to these as ***Souls in Purgatory.***

A Plenary indulgence is a remission of the punishment due to sins and is gained by our prayers for the dead.

It may be gained in two ways:

1. Once by visiting a church between midday November 1st and midnight November 2nd and there say one Our Father and the Apostles Creed and also pray for the Pope's intentions.
2. Once each day by visiting a cemetery from midday November 1st to November 8th and praying for the dead.

Both these indulgences require that the Sacraments of **Holy Communion** and **Reconciliation** be received within twenty days.

Cemetery Prayers

Sunday 8th November - Prayers will be offered in the **Presentation Convent Cemetery** immediately after the 11.30am Mass and in **Marshalstown Cemetery** at 2.30pm.

Afterglow

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.
I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,
of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun;
of happy memories that I leave when life is done.

St. Fanahan's Well - The Novena to St. Fanahan, our local Saint begins on Monday 16th November. The Novena is for 9 days before St Fanahan's day and 9 days after. The Well path will be lit every night and for a time each morning of the Novena.

- Rosary on Sunday 22nd November at 3pm at the Well.
- Rosary on St. Fanahan's Day 25th November at 3pm at the Well.
- Mass at 7.30pm on St. Fanahan's Night in the Parish Church.

Holy Hour in remembrance of our deceased loved ones, **Sunday 22nd November 4pm to 5pm, Mitchelstown Parish Church.**
Remembrance Mass for the Dead, Thursday 19th November – 7.30pm, Mitchelstown Parish Church.
Those who died during the past year will be remembered at the beginning of the Mass.
Night lights will be lit during the ceremony in remembrance of all our dead. (Night lights provided)

November Masses - Names for the **November Masses for the Dead** should be handed in at the Church or to the Parochial House. Twelve Masses will be offered for all on the November Dead list. **Envelopes are available at the back of the Church**.

Series of Talks for Neocatechemal way - Mondays and Thursdays at the Town Hall at 8pm. Come and listen. God does not abandon us.

St. Fanahan's Rosary Group meet every Thursday night at 6:30pm in Marian Hall.
All welcome.

Save the Date! Raising Hope, Caring for Our Common Home Together - Join us for a Laudato Si' conference exploring how parishes can respond to the cry of the earth at this time. Practical initiatives, eco-spirituality and more, do save the date! Where? Clayton Silver Springs Hotel, Cork, T23 E244
When? **Saturday 21 November, 10am – 4pm.** 'May our struggles and concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope.' (LS 244) More information on the parish notice board, register by emailing maria.murphy@trocaire.org

C.B.S. Primary Parents Association will be hosting an Adult Table Quiz in **Jackie O'Brien's / Tavern, Friday, 20th November,** to raise funds to support the school. €40 per table of 4. There will be Finger food and a Raffle. So please join us on **Friday 20th November, at Jackie O'Brien's / Tavern, at 9pm**. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Mitchelstown Musical Society - Don't miss the opportunity to see Europe's and the UK's Number 1 ABBA Tribute Band - "The Bjorn Identity", at **The Firgrove Hotel, on Saturday, 28th November!** This event is brought to our area by Mitchelstown Musical Society, as its major fundraiser for the 2026/2027 Season. It promises to be a fantastic pre- Christmas night out, featuring an amazing live band, playing all the ABBA hits, followed by Disco.
Tickets, €27.50, are now on sale from Spar and The Favourite.
Mitchelstown Musical Society sincerely thanks you all for your ongoing support.

Masses during the week in the Parish Church – 9th to 13th November 2026

- Monday to Friday: Rosary: 9:30am Mass: 10am
- Friday: Divine Mercy: 3pm.

Confessions 14th November 2026

- Confessions in Parish Church: Saturday 12 Noon

Parish Masses on Sunday 15th November 2026

Parish Church – Vigil 7:30pm; 8:30am and 11:30am. **Killacluig;** – 10:00am.

Please note Mass times are displayed on Church Noticeboards.

Live streaming of Masses in the Parish Church, please use the following link:
https://mitchelstownparish.ie/livestream

The Parish Office will be closed
Wednesday 11th November.

PARISH PERSONNEL:

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FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

- All Anniversary/Months Mind Masses and Weddings must be booked directly with one of the Priests of the Parish; they are not booked through the Parish Office.
- All Baptisms must be booked directly with Patricia in the Parish Office.
- Signed Mass Cards for all occasions are on sale in the Parish Office (Cash only).
- When writing Cheques to the Parish, please issue them to 'Mitchelstown Parish'

The Parish Office will be closed
Wednesday 11th November.

Free 4-week Stress Management/Mindfulness Course run by Ballyhoura Development started on Tuesday November the 3rd at 10am in the Town Hall. There are still spaces available. If anyone is interested, please contact Eugene O'Donnell on 083 3084398, email eodonnell@ballyhoura.org.

Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard but always near,
still loved, still missed
and held so dear.