



The Kinsale Times



HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2026



Palm Sunday March 29

8.30am Holy Communion, Kinsale
10.00am Morning Prayer, Ballymartle
11.30am Service of the Word, Kinsale

Wednesday

8:00pm Service of Wholeness and Healing, Ballymartle

Maundy Thursday

8:00pm Holy Communion, Templetrine

Good Friday

10:00am Ecumenical Walk of Witness, Kinsale
3:00pm An hour by the Cross, St. Multose

Easter Day

All Services of Holy Communion

8.30am St Multose
10:00am Ballymartle
11:30am St Multose



KINSALE UNION
OF PARISHES



Art Competition

Two young artists from the Kinsale Union were awarded prizes at the Art Competition in the Kinsale tourist office. Well done to Dara and Kiera and a big 'thank you' to everyone who entered the competition. Rev Eugene



Making a difference...

I was delighted to be at the St Patrick's Day Parade yesterday and doubly so as I got to spend time with Fred Treacy, newly appointed Life President of the St Patrick's Day Committee. This was a very well deserved acknowledgement of Fred's tremendous work in Kinsale down through the years.

There are so many reasons not to do something these days. So it is more important than ever that we celebrate and thank all those who organise events like this. On your behalf, a big 'thank you' goes to all of the people in the town (Lion's Club, Sea Sunday Committee, Strawberry Fayre Committee, Belgooly Show, various fundraising committees et al) who organise all the events that we enjoy so much. They really do make a difference in our town and help make Kinsale what it is. We are truly blessed. **Rev Eugene**

The Multose Singers will sing the anthem at the Sea Sunday Service on May 10. If you would like to be part of it, let Joanna or myself know.

Kinsale Union of Parishes: out and about!



All kinds of everything....

Lots of things happened in the Union over the last couple of weeks - Our Songs of Praise Service, The Friendship Club annual dinner, Alana James' gallery exhibition and the Lion's Club Quiz Night. It's great to be out and about making a difference!

By the way - our line up for the charity **Sea Sunday Concert** has just been finalised. At 5pm in St Multose Church, Kinsale on 10 May, Billy Crosbie together with Deirdre McCallum, Joanna Griffin and Rev Eugene will open up the Great American Songbook! The concert is free but a donation on the way out would be appreciated.

All proceeds go to St Multose National School.



Well done Lucille on your lovely piece for the Art Competition.

A date for your diary - **Strawberry Fayre** will take place on 13 June from 1-4pm in St Multose Community Hall.

If you would like to help out (and it will be very much appreciated) please send a text to Joanna at 086 3819375

Alone is the national organisation that enables older people to age at home. They are looking for people to help them provide various supports to the elderly: by telephone, befriending and visiting in person.

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.

Parish Safeguarding Panel

Panel members are Jennifer McElroy, David Peare and Rev Eugene Griffin. If you have any concerns, please contact them. Details are on the Panel notices in each church.

World Day of Prayer 2026

On Friday 6 March Kinsale Union hosted our annual Ecumenical World Day of Prayer in St Multose. There was a great turnout on the day for what was a very spiritual and uplifting service. Many thanks to all those who took part from each of our churches.



As Christians, we know that God listens to our prayers for the world. Our hearts and minds can feel overwhelmed by the immense challenges affecting people, all around the world as well as our loved ones.

God, our Heavenly Father, listens to His loved ones. Scripture promises that when we turn to Him, He will respond resulting in powerful prayers of intercession. [Psalm 46:1](#) says, “God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble”.

Our Father God is sovereign over all. He is good, He is powerful, and He is filled with compassion. So, let’s turn to Him in faith, casting our cares upon Him with persistence and thanksgiving, remembering all the ways He has helped us in the past. As we pray, we echo the word of the Lord’s Prayer calling on our Father in heaven to bring His kingdom, provide for our needs, and lead us in grace and truth. Thank you for taking time to bring the needs of others before God. He hears your prayers for the world, and we know He can do more than we ask or imagine.

[A prayer for the world today](#)

Father God, we pray for our world today. We pray for peace and hope to abound. Many are affected by natural disasters: floods, droughts and forest fires. Many are struggling with conflict, poverty and the global food crisis. O Lord, we pray for your provision, peace and protection. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

[A prayer for people facing difficulty](#)

Loving Lord, we lift to you those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit. So many people are facing all kinds of trials due to ill health, conflict, poverty and injustice. As Jesus teaches us in the Lord’s prayer, we ask that your kingdom come, and your will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven. Please comfort those who are in despair and help your followers be moved with compassion to share your love. Amen.

[A prayer for the countries facing crisis](#)

Lord Jesus, we offer a prayer for you to bring peace in all places. We pray for Compassion projects, for the local churches, their staff and volunteers. Please help those who are working in communities afflicted by crisis. Lord, we ask for peace in these nations and throughout the world. Please protect all those who are vulnerable to the effects of war and displacement from their homes. Please give those in authority the patience, humility, wisdom and endurance to persevere in bringing about positive solutions for their nations. Amen.

Kinsale Union: Services March to early May 2026

March 8	The Third Sunday in Lent		
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Templetrine
	11.30am	Morning Prayer	Kinsale
March 15	The Fourth Sunday in Lent - Mothering Sunday		
	8.30am	Holy Communion	
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Ballymartle
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
March 22	The Fifth Sunday in Lent		
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Templetrine
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
March 29	Palm Sunday		
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Ballymartle
	11.30am	Morning Prayer	Kinsale
April 1	Wednesday of Holy Week		
	8.00pm	Service of Wholeness and Healing	Ballymartle
April 2	Maundy Thursday		
	8.00pm	Holy Communion	Templetrine
April 3	Good Friday		
	10.00am	Walk of Witness	Carmelite Friary to Parish Church to St Multose to Methodist Church
	3.00pm	An hour by the Cross	Kinsale
April 5	Easter Day - The First Sunday of Easter		
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Ballymartle
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
April 12	The Second Sunday of Easter		
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Templetrine
	11.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
April 19	The Third Sunday of Easter - United Service - Easter Vestry		
	11.30am	Morning Prayer	Kinsale
April 26	The Fourth Sunday of Easter		
	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Templetrine
	11.30am	Morning Prayer	Kinsale
May 3	The Fifth Sunday of Easter		
	8.30am	Holy Communion	Kinsale
	10.00am	Morning Prayer	Ballymartle
	11.30am	Morning Prayer	Kinsale
May 10	The Sixth Sunday of Easter		
	11.30am	Ecumenical Sea Sunday Service	Kinsale

Service of Wholeness and Healing

Wednesday 1st April 2026
8pm Christchurch Ballymartle

Join us for a contemplative hour together



St Multose Amble



Come on a 30 min amble around our historic church, exploring its history, stories and charm with Joanna and David

3pm every Monday and Thursday

No booking required
Meet inside the church
Donations appreciated for upkeep of church



SAVE DATE

YOU'RE INVITED TO

STRAWBERRY FAYRE

STRAWBERRYS, CAKES, WONDERFUL STALLS, AFTERNOON TEAS, HOT DOGS AND MORE ...

13 JUNE

1 - 4 PM

ST. MULTOSE COMMUNITY HALL
P17 K763

Cork Ecumenical Bible Week 2026

Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly. (Colossians 3:16)



Women in the New Testament

7.00 p.m. SUNDAY, 17TH MAY 2026

Women in John's Gospel

Ms Gillian Kingston

in Church of Our Lady Crowned, Mayfield, Cork. T23 K377

10.45 a.m. TUESDAY, 19TH MAY 2026

Five Women on Five Women from the Acts of the Apostles
in Church Hall, Sacred Heart Church, Western Road, Cork. T12 TN80

Speakers:

Rev Geraldine Gracie (Dorcas)

Ms Joanna Griffin (Lydia)

Rev Elise Hanley (Rhoda)

Dr Rosalie Moloney (Mary, the mother of Jesus)

Dr Marian Mortell (Priscilla)

7.00 p.m. THURSDAY, 21ST MAY 2026

Women in Luke's Gospel

Rev Dr William Olhausen

in St Luke's Church, Churchyard Lane, Douglas, Cork. T12 N832

All events are free to the public and all are welcome.

For further information: email corks scripturegroup@gmail.com

Bishop Paul Colton

On 18 April next, Bishop Paul Colton will lay down his crozier at a special service of thanksgiving in St Finn barre's Cathedral, Cork. On the occasion of his retirement I would like to say 'thank you' to Bishop Paul for his ministry to the people and clergy of Cork, Cloyne and Ross Diocese.

His visits to Kinsale in the last few years were greatly appreciated by all and we look forward to the day when he and Susan might visit us again when they are enjoying their well earned retirement.

Bishop Paul and Susan, on behalf of the people of Kinsale Union we all wish you both long life, good health and abundant blessings in the years to come.

Rev Eugene



Friendship Club

On Thursday 19 March John Adams from Customs and Excise will be the speaker at the next meeting of the Friendship Club. Starting time is 3pm.

Pictured with our February speaker Prof John Collins are Louise and Hazel from the committee.



Baptism - On Sunday 25 January, we welcomed Hazel Kathleen Boyd into the Christian family at her baptism in St Multose Church. Pictured with Hazel are her parents Alison and Derek and Godparents Rhianna and Philip.

Confirmation - On Sunday 15 February Alex Moore was confirmed by Bishop Paul in St Peter's Church, Bandon.

God's richest blessings to Hazel and Alex.

Easter Vestry 2026

Our Easter Vestry will take place during our Service in St Multose, Kinsale at 11.30am on Sunday 19 April next. The Easter General Vestry is the Annual General Meeting of the Parish. At the meeting, there is a review of the previous year and a preview of the year ahead. Any member of the parish can attend the Easter General Vestry, and may speak at the Easter General Vestry, but only those who have signed up to the Register of Vestry persons can vote or hold office.

This year, we also have triennial elections which means that you have to elect Parochial Nominators (whose responsibility it is to find a new Rector should the need arise) and Diocesan Synods persons (who represent the parishes at Diocesan Synod).

Please value your right to have a say, and your right to vote. Do please support your parish by attending the Easter General Vestry

Ambling around St Multose

Two parishioners (Joanna Griffin and David Peare) have now started conducting guided tours of St Multose Church. So if you or any visitors you know of would like to join them as they amble about, they would be very welcome.

The tours take place every Monday and Thursday at 3pm. They are free but donations for church funds would be appreciated.



Milestones

Our condolences go out to several of our parishioners who have suffered a recent loss. We remember Eddie Sullivan whose funeral took place in Ballymartle Church on 18 February last, the friends and family of Josephine Wood whose interment took place in St Catherine's recently and Gail Swanton on the death of her father. May they and all our loved ones rest in peace and rise in glory. Rev Eugene