

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **JFM Research calls on public to visit Magdalene graves this weekend**

This weekend, on Sunday March 6th the fifth annual Flowers for Magdalenes events will take place around the country in all cities and towns where there were Magdalene Laundries. Justice for Magdalenes Research (JFMR) is calling on members of the public to visit Magdalene graves and lay a flower to honour the women who lived and died behind convent walls.

At least 1,663 former Magdalene women are buried in cemeteries in Ireland, many of whom are in unmarked graves.

JFMR would be grateful for the media's assistance in publicising these events which are being organised by volunteers from around the country. Details are available below.

Flowers for Magdalenes is a family event and children are welcome.

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Flowers for Magdalenes Events 2016

#### **Dublin**

Where: Glasnevin Cemetery

Date: Sunday, 6th March

Time: 11.30am

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/481623872024803>

#### **Cork**

Where: St. Joseph's Graveyard, Tory Top Road

Date: Sunday, 6th March

Time: 11.30am

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1727301084171932/>

#### **Galway**

Where: Bohermore Cemetery

Date: Sunday, 6th March

Time: 3pm

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/580914912058102>

#### **Limerick**

Where: Mount Saint Lawrence Cemetery

Date: Sunday, 6th March

Time: 3pm

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1035244286533468>

#### **New Ross**

Where: St. Stephen's Cemetery

Date: Sunday, 6th March

Time: 2pm

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1656805271235611/>

#### **Waterford**

Where: Ballygunner Cemetery

Date: Sunday, 6th March

Time: 2pm

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/186616971709880/>