

# Mungret Heritage Society Visitor's Room



## Morgan Tripamer

I'm an international student from Truman State University working on the Mungret Heritage project with UL Engage. As a History major, the ability to work directly with local history in a setting typically unavailable to me broadened the scope of my learning. Working with the Mungret community has given me invaluable work skills I will take with me for the rest of my life.

## Emily Lowerr

I am from the University of Minnesota Twin Cities studying Environmental Engineering. Having the opportunity to work with an Irish community has been an eye opening experience. Not only have I been able to learn in a non-traditional environment, I have been able to immerse myself in Irish culture. All in all, the UL Practicum has definitely been a worthwhile experience and I would recommend it to anyone who asks.

## Ryan Cafaro

I am from Southern Connecticut State University. I major in History with a concentration in Secondary Education. Participating in the UL Practicum while in Ireland has allowed me to learn about the local history that I would not have gotten in a traditional classroom. Working with Mungret Heritage has been a wonderful experience and I am proud of the work I have done with Morgan and Emily.

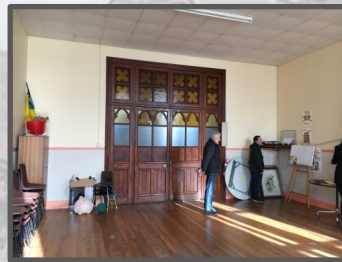
We collaborated with Aoife Ashworth (masters' student), Ian Feerick (masters' student), Vincent O'Connell (UL History Department), and Nessian O'Donoghue (Mungret Heritage).

## About the site:

Mungret College is the current location of Mungret Heritage and the Limerick Christian Way's school and church. The property also houses a playground, a coffee shop, and a bookstore. Throughout Mungret several interpretive panels explain the history and importance of Mungret Abbey, St. Nessian's Church, and the graveyards.

## About the project:

Our task was to create the foundations for a historical information room at Mungret College. The main aspects of the project included designing informational panels for the walls of the room and producing a map brochure of the interpretive panels that already exist at the site. We utilized information from online resources as well as an archeological assessment to create the content of the panels. The brochure contains images from Mungret Heritage.



## Outcomes:

- Map Brochure of the existing Mungret interpretive panels
- Indoor interpretive panels:
  - ⇒ Design for Early Medieval: Church and Graveyards of Mungret panel
  - ⇒ Text for Mesolithic and Neolithic panel
  - ⇒ Text for Bronze Age panel
- Video of Mungret College history (10 minutes)

## Recommendations:

- Repaint the meeting room
- Timeline to go on wall opposite the new panels (~1850's - present)
- Better layout of services (ie. bookshop, meeting rooms)
- New videos: Christian Learning Center and Mungret Parish
- Interview/ testimonies from Dorothy, William, past pupils, etc.
- Photo montages

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