

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 4th October, 2020

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DAY FOR LIFE 2020 SUNDAY Oct 4th

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Choose Life



The Council for Life, an initiative of the Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference. On this 25th anniversary of St. John Paul II's "The Gospel of Life", we renew the call for respect and celebration of all life. The parish is a 'family of families' (Amoris Laetitia, 87). We ask our parishes to be places of welcome, where we can support pregnant women and celebrate the precious gift entrusted to them. We recognise that family is often 'a challenging mosaic made up of many different realities, with all their joys, hopes and problems' (Amoris Laetitia, 57). We want to provide support for women and men who face difficult circumstances, as well as those who have experienced abortion and seek

comfort in the Lord and their community. We pray that, inspired by the Holy Spirit who is the giver of life, we may bear witness in all that we say and do to the beauty of life in every human person.

OUR SCRIPTURE READINGS: Our readings remind us that the Lord of the vineyard is the God of hosts, the master of creation and the giver of all gifts. The texts invite us to reflect on both the Lord's giving of such gifts and on our acceptance of them. We, the beneficiaries, are totally dependent upon the one giving. And God gives to us too, so that we can respond in a way worthy of praise. As we read and ponder, we see that, sometimes, the gifts are met with unproductivity; at other times they are even misused. This week, let's pray that the God of peace, who has already promised to be with us, may find in us a 'noble' and 'virtuous' response.

The October Stations - Many thanks to all who contribute very generously to our October Stations. This year the Station Contributions can be handed in at your own convenience in the envelope from your parish box or in an envelope marked 'October Station'. Due to restrictions on numbers attending mass there will be no designated station area masses this year. Throughout the month various masses will be offered for parishioners resident across the parish. The October Station contributions go towards the salary of the priests and we are grateful for them all. *Fr. Murphy, Fr. Dunphy*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday Oct 4th Clonaghadoo NS
12 noon St. Mary's Clonaghadoo

Saturday Oct 10th Scoil Iósaif Naofa
11.00am – Group A 2.00pm Group B

Sunday Oct 11th The Rock NS
2.00pm St. Joseph's Church



Due to Covid19 restrictions numbers attending the ceremonies are strictly limited to **the immediate family of the candidates only, living in the same household as they do.** Sadly, we are unable to have any grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins, neighbours, or friends attend. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation. Let's keep one another safe.

**REMEMBERING OUR
FAITHFUL
DEPARTED ANNIVERSARY
MASSES**

Month's Mind Mass:

Joan Kirwan, Davitt Road, mass here on Tuesday October 6th at 7.30pm.

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered.

Maureen Delaney, Manor Lane, Paddy O'Brien, Cappanlug and his parents Patrick & Elizabeth O'Brien,

Pauline Carroll, nee McEvoy, Killeen & Clonaheen,

Michael Murray, Graigue,

Sarah Burke, Derryguile,

Patrick & Mary Goodwin, Emmet Road,

May & Kevin Hibbitts, Harbour St.

Ronnie O'Rourke, Hill 60,

Patrick Dunne, Connolly St.

Joe & Mary Dunne, Lower Forest,

Mick & Paddy Dunne, Lower Forest,

Elizabeth Cunningham, Derryguile, Ellen & Thomas Lynch, Portlaoise,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend 10th & 11th October:

Beth Bennett, O'Moore's Forest,

Thomas McGlynn, Twoomey Terrace,

Lar Geoghegan, Bay Road,

Edward Dempsey, Moneyquid & Strahard,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

We welcome

**Oistin Murphy, Ashgrove,
Emma Noonan, Ashgrove,
Holly Donellan, Grange Hall,**

whose Baptism Mountmellick Parish celebrated recently.

“..and he took the children in his arms, placed his hands on them and blessed them” Mk 10:16

Congratulations

Emer O'Loughlin & Paul Scanlon who married in St. Mary's Church, on Friday October 2nd.

May the Lord keep them forever in fidelity and love.

**ENVELOPES
THANK YOU**

Many thanks to all those who, this week, have returned Weekly Envelopes, Station Envelopes and Giving Sunday Envelopes.

If you wish to return your contributions you can, for the moment, put them through the letterbox of either Fr. Murphy's or Fr. Dunphy's house or into the church. Thanks again, all greatly appreciated.

CHEQUES CHEQUES

Please make all cheques for the parish payable to "Mountmellick Parish No 1 Account". Many thanks.

**MOUNTMELICK PARISH
LOTTO**

Results for Wed. September 30th

Jackpot Numbers: 4:7:20:23:

NO Jackpot winner

**Next week's Jackpot is: €20,000
22 Match '3' - €46**

Winner:

Cora Murphy

Jack Nallen

Promoter

McElwees

C. Lindley

READERS

Ministers of the Word

Sat/Sun 10th & 11th September

7.30pm: Ann Conroy

11.00am: Bernie Reddin

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Sat/Sun 26th & 27th September

Plates: €785

Envelopes: €1,110

Many thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted.

The September/October Messenger, Africa & Reality magazines are available for collection in the Parish Office.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat/Sun 10th & 11th Oct.

7.30pm: Oliver Ging & Peggy Bloomer

11.00am: Bernie Reddin & Antoinette Makim

PARISH OFFICE

Opening Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 10am to 1.00pm.

& Friday 10am to 1pm &

3pm to 5pm

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Monday Oct 5th feast of St. Faustina Kowalska.

On February 22, 1931, Jesus appeared to this simple Polish nun, and asked her to dedicate her life to make God's mercy known to every human being and entrusted her with the mission of **Divine Mercy**, a devotion which St. Pope John Paul II helped promote with her beatification and canonisation and his own death on that feast.

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.



PARISH RADIO AND WEBCAM SERVICE.

Masses will be celebrated as follows, available via our parish radio and parish webcam service.

MASSES

**Mon October 5th 10.00am; Tues 6th 7.30pm;
Weds 7th 10.00am; Thurs 8th 7.30pm; Fri 9th 10.00am.
Sat 10th Oct 7.30pm Vigil Mass; Sun 11th Oct 11.00am.**