

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 11th October, 2020

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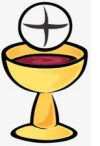
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Come to the Wedding! Images of banquets and feasting, of hospitality and generosity abound in today's readings. In the First Reading, the prophet Isaiah tells how God will prepare a banquet of rich food for all peoples. God will remove their sadness so that all will rejoice in the saving hand of God. The Gospel from St. Matthew offers us yet another parable of the Kingdom. The 'great' banquet is offered to all, Jews and Gentiles – though some refuse and are rejected. All of us, good and bad alike, have only to respond to the invitation. The wedding feast is not just a heavenly banquet: the Reign of God is in the here and now.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – Sadly we are unable to have our First Holy Communion ceremonies this weekend. With the children, their parents/guardians and teachers we feel so disappointed. Our attention now is on watching out for the safest available date and being ready to avail of it.



The October Stations - Many thanks to all who contribute very generously every year to our October Stations. The Station Contributions can be handed in at your own convenience - in the boxes at the entrance to the Church, to the Parish Office or to the Priest's houses – using the envelope from your parish box or in an envelope marked 'October Station'. Due to Covid restrictions there will be no designated station area masses this year. Throughout the month various masses will be offered for all parishioners. The October Station contributions go towards the salary of the priests and we are grateful for them all. *Fr. Murphy, Fr. Dunphy.*



LEVEL 3 - VISIT. LIGHT. PRAY. For the duration of the current Level 3 Restrictions both the Parish Church and Clonaghadoo Church will open every day for private prayer only. Pay a visit. Light a candle. Say a prayer. All Masses from St. Joseph's Parish Church will be streamed 'live' via the parish webcam service and will also be available via the Parish Radio Service. On Sunday evening there will be a holy hour of Adoration, Rosary, Music from 8.00pm. All are welcome as we continue our prayer with and for one another.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY Oct 18th: Next weekend, on World Mission Sunday, Mass collections in over 120 countries will be offered to support the life-giving work of overseas missionaries. However, this direct appeal from Pope Francis, is in jeopardy. The worldwide pandemic means that less of us can physically attend Mass, resulting in less offerings in the basket. Its implications for suffering overseas communities in the months ahead will be devastating. You can help right now! Donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively donate at www.wmi/mission or call Fiona in World Missions Ireland on 01 497 2035. (Texts cost €4. World Missions Ireland will receive a minimum of €3.60. Service Provider: LikeCharity. Helpline: 076 680 5278. Republic of Ireland only.

Tell among the nations his glory, and all his wonders among the peoples, for the Lord is great and highly to be praised. (Ps95)

**REMEMBERING OUR
FAITHFUL
DEPARTED ANNIVERSARY
MASSES**

1st Anniversary Mass:

**Sr. Columbanus Kyne,
Presentations Sisters, Bridge Street,
Mass on Thursday October 15th at
7.30pm**

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

**Leo Dunne, Derryguile,
Beth Bennett, O'Moore's Forest,
Joseph O'Rourke Jnr., O'Moore St.
Joseph, Bridie, Charlie & Ellen
Conroy, Chapel Street,
Patrick & William Conroy, Chapel
Street,
Bridie Birrane, Graigue &
Bradford,
Delia Hanson, Ashgrove,
Tim O'Connor, Coolagh,
Liam Kinch, St. Joseph's Tce.,
Jack & Carmel Gorman, Connolly
Street,
Joseph Byrne, Wolfetone Street,
Thomas Flanagan, Derrylamogue,
Lucy Walsh, Harbour Street,**

**All masses behind closed
doors.**

***Masses available on parish webcam
or church radio.***

We welcome

Keelin Marum, Grove Park

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***

READERS

Ministers of the Word

Sat/Sun 17th & 18th October

7.30pm: Michael Feely

11.00am: Mona Conroy

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Sat/Sun 3rd & 4th October

Plates: €640

Envelopes: €740

**Many thanks to all who
contributed, collected and counted.**

**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. October 7th
Jackpot Numbers:14:24:31:32:**

No Jackpot winner

**Next week's Jackpot is: €20,000
3 Match '3' - €334**

Winner:

Promoter

No Mountmellick Winner

CELEBRATING BAPTISMS



If you have a baby for
Baptism, please make
sure we have your
"Baptism Registration
Form" on file in the Parish Office.
The parish office will contact you
to make appropriate arrangements.
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**The September/October
Messenger, Africa & Reality
magazines are available for
collection in the Parish
Office.**

PARISH OFFICE

Opening Hours:

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

**& Friday 10am to 1pm &
3pm to 5pm**

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DONATING ONLINE

There are now two electronic
'Donate Buttons' on the front
page of the Kildare and Leighlin
diocesan website

www.kandle.ie. The first is
called '**Parish Collections**'.

This button allows a donor
make a contribution to our
weekly parish collection or the
Support of the Clergy
Collection. The second button

is called '**Diocesan**

Collections'. This allows the
donor to support any of the
Diocesan appeals as they are
listed. Many thanks.

**COVID-19 Support Line for
Older People**

ALONE has launched a
national support line and
additional supports for older
people who have concerns or
are facing difficulties relating
to the outbreak of COVID-19
(Coronavirus). The support
line is open seven days a
week, 8am - 8pm, by calling
0818 222 024.

MDA - Local History

Visit the MDA website for a
collection of informative
historical and unique
articles on Mountmellick's
rich and colourful history
(well worth the read).

www.mountmellickdevelopment.com

PARISH RADIO AND WEBCAM SERVICE.

**Masses will be celebrated as follows,
behind closed doors, but available via our parish radio and
parish webcam service.**

MASSES

**Mon October 12th 10.00am; Tues 13th 7.30pm;
Weds 14th 10.00am; Thurs 15th 7.30pm; Fri 16th 10.00am.
Sat 17th Oct 7.30pm Vigil Mass; Sun 18th Oct 11.00am.**