

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

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'Well done, good and faithful servant!' This week's readings, like those of last week, continue to remind us that we need to be prepared for the end of time, an event which the authors of the New Testament thought was imminent. In the Gospel reading, the parable of the talents reminds us to use the gifts and talents we have for the benefit of others. Everyone has been given at least one talent, and it is our duty to use it in the service of society. This week, spend some time reflecting on how best you can use the talents you have been entrusted with, so that when the time comes, you can also be called a 'good and faithful servant'.



Next Saturday, Nov 21st, is the Congregational Feast Day of the Presentation Sisters. We are looking forward to the Sisters returning soon to Mountmellick from their time in Bagenalstown. This week we keep them all in our prayers as we send best wishes for a Happy Feast Day on the 21st.

The Presentation of Mary to the Temple.

Mary, by your unconditional Yes, lean down to us who stammer out our weak assent and tremble lest God take us at our word. By your swift love, redeem our paltriness, when with a sparing hand we dole from what, unmeasured, has been heaped on us.

Without a backward glance you followed when He led to Calvary. Come, lest from that all-demanding love we turn, Lot's wife, immobile, hard as stone.

Ah, Mary, little one whom God raised from the depths unto the heights, help us, we pray, grow small enough again to marvel at the wonder of our call. *Raphael Consedine, pbvm*

PRAYER TO CHRIST THE HEALER

In the comfort of your love, I pour to you, my Saviour,
the memories that haunt me, the anxieties that perplex me,
the fears that stifle me, the sickness that prevails upon me,
and the frustration of all the pain that weaves about within me.

Lord, help me to see your peace in my turmoil, your compassion in my sorrow,
your forgiveness in my weakness,
and your love in my need.
Touch me, O Lord, with your healing power and strength.



ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS

In Loving Memory Our annual remembrance mass, for all those who have died in the past twelve months, will be held on Monday Nov 30th at 7.30pm. As of now it will be celebrated behind closed doors but available on our webcam and radio service. If you have relatives around the country or abroad who might wish to join in now might a good time to give them notice of it.

HOLY HOUR –

Adoration, Music, Reflection,
Rosary – Sunday evening 8.00pm, via parish webcam and radio service.

Log in at www.mountmellickparish.ie.



**REMEMBERING OUR
FAITHFUL DEPARTED
ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

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

**John Joseph Lawlor, Harbour St.
Jack Deegan, Borness,
Elizabeth Lill Conran, Harbour St.
Mary Cullen, Lord Edward St.
Mary & Liam Carroll, Emmet St.
James Lawlor, Yorkshire &
Kilcavan,**

**John Dunne, Emmet St.
Matty Culleton, Derrycloney,
Ellen Comerford, Manor Lane,
Elizabeth Hickey, Emmet St.
Sheila Fitzpatrick, Ashgrove,
Mary Fennelly, Emmet St.
Mabel Kearns, Lord Edward St.
Edward Quigley Snr, Emmet Tce.
Charlie Dunne, Garrymore,
John Meehan, Garoon,
Patrick Duffy & Patrick Duffy Snr,
Carmel Dunne nee Duffy
Ellen, Patrick, John & Con
Dempsey, Emmet Tce.,**

*For those whose anniversaries
occur at this time and for whom
Mass will be offered next weekend
21st & 22nd November:*
**Ann Reddin, Bridge Street,
Mary Horan, Irishtown,**

All masses behind closed doors.
**Masses available on parish webcam
or church radio.**

THE PARISH OFFICE

Because of the Government's introduction of Level 5 restrictions earlier this week we have been advised to CLOSE the Parish Office until further notice. For Newsletter notices, Anniversary notices, Certificate requests etc., you can make contact in any of the following ways:
(a) telephone 057/8624390;
(b) email: stjosephs1878@gmail.com
(c) use the post box on the wall beside the office door. Enquiries/requests for Mass cards/Mass bouquets will be attended to when we have contact details for you; Horan's and Eamonn Comerford's will also have a supply available. **Lotto tickets and monies will be taken in at the parish office on Wednesday mornings - 11am to 12 noon.**

**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.

READERS

**Ministers of the Word
Sat/Sun 21st & 22nd November**

**7.30pm: Carol McAuley
11.00am: Mona Conroy**

**MOUNTMELICK PARISH
LOTTO**

**Results for Wed. November 11h
Jackpot Numbers: i:12:21:32:
NO Jackpot winner.
Next week's Jackpot is: €20,000
11 Match '3' - €91**

<u>Winner:</u>	<u>Promoter</u>
C & G Dunne	Eileen Dunne
Ann McEvoy	Emmet Stores
Kilkenny Women	M. Thompson

**MOUNTMELICK PARISH
Sat/Sun 7th & 8th November**

**Envelopes: €1,160
Many thanks to all who
contributed, collected and counted.**

**PARISH CHURCH
Opening Hours**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Thursday, Friday & Saturday
11am to 6pm.
Sunday 12 noon to 6pm.**

REMEMBRANCE TREE

**During November we
remember our faithful
departed. Place the names
of your deceased loved ones
on our
remembrance tree and as a
community we unite in
honouring and
thanking God for them.
May the souls of our
faithful departed,
through the mercy of God
rest in peace. Amen.**



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.

**CONCERN FAST 2020 on Thurs
19th Nov.**

Your support is very much appreciated. Donation buckets in Horan's & Watchorne's Shops, McElwee's Pharmacies & The Post Office. Also online <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mountmellick-fast>

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 November 16th 10.00am; Tues 17th 7.30pm;
Weds 18th 10.00am; Thurs 19th 7.30pm; Fri 20th 10.00am.
Sat 21st Nov 7.30pm Vigil Mass; Sun 22nd Nov 11.00am.**