

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

2nd Sunday of Lent - 28th February, 2021

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COVID 19

All masses will be celebrated behind closed doors. Thank you for your understanding.

'This is my Son, the Beloved.' Trust in the Lord is the theme that links all this Sunday's readings as we are reminded of the extent of the Lord's love and generosity – if we but listen to his voice and place our trust in him. In the First we see the depth of Abraham's trust in God as he is asked to sacrifice his beloved son. Abraham's faithfulness is rewarded with more blessings than he could ever have imagined. In the Gospel reading from St. Mark, Jesus asks Peter, James, and John to trust him and not speak of the wonder of what they have witnessed on the mountain top. This week we pray for the grace to trust and to listen ever more closely to the voice of the Lord, so that we too might walk in his presence.



God our Father, we gather once more in your name. In these unstable times we are encouraged by the assurance of the promise of eternal life glimpsed by Peter, James, and John, during the Transfiguration. We are also on a climb to the mountain top to find you in your Glory. Most of our Journey to you is shrouded in cloud and mystery.

We earnestly pray for the Hope and the resilience needed to continue our climb.

**BACK
TO
SCHOOL!**

Best wishes to all Leaving Cert. students who return to school tomorrow (Mar 1st) and well done to you and your teachers for the application/dedication shown by all to schoolwork during the lockdown. Congrats too and thank you to all involved with MYFRC who have given great support to so many during lockdown.

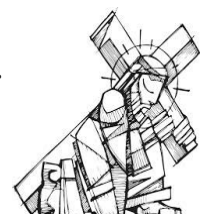
The younger primary school pupils of Jnr Infants, Snr Infants, 1st and 2nd classes also return tomorrow. Enjoy! Enjoy!



Women's World Day of Prayer (Mar 5th) focuses on the Bible story in Matthew 7:24-27 about the kingdom of heaven using the image of a house and the land on which the house is built. Choosing the land on which to build the house is an important decision for people in Vanuatu. In Jesus' story, the wisdom of the builder of the house comes from hearing and acting on the Word of God, which is a word of love. This is the foundation on which our sisters call us to build our homes, our nations and the world. A call of faith to be earnestly considered when responding to the prayer of commitment: "What is the house that you would build?"

Sunday Evening Stations of the Cross

Every Sunday evening for Lent (8.00pm) you are cordially invited, via the parish webcam and radio, to our praying of the Stations of the Cross. We will use different reflections/prayers each week so that the deeper meaning of these moments on Jesus' final journey and how they speak to us today might be uncovered.



"By your Holy Cross you have Redeemed the World"

**REMEMBERING OUR
FAITHFUL DEPARTED
ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

1st Anniversary Mass:

John Dillon, Emmet Street, mass here on Thursday March 4th at 7.30pm

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

Sam Kelly, Borness,
James Brennan,
Anna Bergin, Graigue,
Michael & Bridie Bergin,
Portarlinton,
Johnny, Paddy & Nonie Walsh,
Graigue,
Dan Kavanagh, The Commons,
Paddy Dunne, St. Joseph's Tce.,
Margaret Joyce, Derrydavy,
Joe Maher, Harbour Street,
Mary Kate & Marie Scott, Parnell St.
Patrick Colbert, Harbour Court,
Jack Flanagan, Portarlinton,
Mary & Maureen Tierney,
George & Agnes Graham, Garoon,
Michael & Margaret Phelan,
Clonterry,
Thomas, Christina & Tom Gallagher,
Burton-on-Trent,
John & Margaret Coss, Garoon,
John Coss, Twomey Park,
James Lynch, Straboe,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend 6th & 7th March:
Eoin Gorman, Derrycloney,
Annie Dalton, Lought,
Jim McGlynn, Bay Road,
Thomas Masterson, O'Moore Street,
Christy Dempsey, Davitt Road,

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

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Sat/Sun 20th & 21st February
Envelopes: €750

THANK YOU

Many thanks to all those who, this week, have returned their Weekly Envelopes. Please write your name on your envelope when returning.

CHEQUES CHEQUES

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

**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 March 1st 10am.,
Tues 2nd 7.30pm.,
Weds 3rd 10am.
Thurs 4th 7.30pm,
Fri 5th 10am,
Sat March 6th 7.30pm Vigil
Mass Sun March 7th 11.00am.

READERS

**Ministers of the Word
Sat/Sun 6th & 7th March**

7.30pm: Michael Feely
11.00am: Sheelagh Coyle

The readers list for March is available on the Notice Board in the Church.



**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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057/8624390
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**MOUNTMELICK PARISH
LOTTO**

Wednesday February 24th
Jackpot Numbers: 3:4:16:30:
No Jackpot winner.
Next weeks Jackpot is: €16,000
10 Match '3' - €100

Winner Susan Gorman
Promoter C. Lindley

WILLS/BEQUESTS

Occasionally the Parish receives bequests from wills. A bequest reflects someone's desire to make a contribution to the parish from their will. Please remember Mountmellick Parish in your will.
Thank you.

Lenten Stations

Many thanks to all who contribute very generously to our 'Lenten Stations'. This Lent 'Station' contributions can be handed in at the church, using our usual boxes, our post-box or the Parish Office. Please use the envelope from your parish box or an envelope clearly marked 'Lenten Station' to make your contribution.

Due to the ongoing Covid restrictions there will be no designated Station Masses this Lent.

The Lenten Station contributions go towards the salary of the priests and we appreciate your kindness.

Fr. Murphy, Fr. Dunphy.

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

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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. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. We are open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.