#### Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

Palm Sunday - 28th March, 2021

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## **COVID 19**

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

## Holy Week 2021 Behind Closed Doors

For Christians, Holy Week is the most important week of the year. Holy Week lasts from Palm Sunday until Easter Sunday and reaches its highpoint in what we call the Easter Triduum – those three great days from the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper to Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday. Reflecting on the Scriptures and turning to ritual and symbols, Christians throughout the world, journey with Jesus through those final days of his life, his passion, his death and resurrection. In the process, we experience God's redemptive presence, our faith is deepened, our hope is renewed and our commitment to living a life of love of God and one another is strengthened.

A different way of praying as a community of faith.

Again, this year, our celebrations will be hugely different due to the restrictions in place because of Covid-19. As a Christian Community we cannot gather for our usual Holy Week prayers, services, or masses so these <u>will all take place behind closed doors</u> but available on our Parish Radio and Webcam. Please God this Holy Week will be a truly enriching experience of the presence of God in our lives.

## Schedule for the Week.

### **Palm Sunday**

Vigil Mass on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Sunday morning mass at 11.00am. Blessed Palm can be collected after the 11.00am Mass on Sunday.

#### **Diocesan Chrism Mass**

Monday March 29<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow. It can be viewed via the Kildare and Leighlin Facebook page and iCatholic You Tube livestream.

#### **Easter Penitential Service:**

Wednesday March 31st Parish Church 7.30pm. This will not be confession but a service that calls us to turn from sin and follow the way of the Gospel.

## **HOLY THURSDAY - Mass of the Lord's Supper**

7.30pm, Mass; 10.00pm - Night Prayer. An hour of silent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place between 9.00pm and 10.00pm.

## **GOOD FRIDAY - Celebration of The Lord's Passion**

10.00am Morning Prayer, 3.00pm, Passion of the Lord, 8.00pm, Stations of the Cross.

## EASTER - APRIL 3rd & 4th The Resurrection of the Lord

Sat. 10.00am Morning Prayer: 9.00pm – EASTER VIGIL.

Sun. 11.00am - Mass. Blessed Easter Water can be collected after the 11am Sunday mass.

Some suggestions for Keeping Holy Week

- Create a sacred space in your home for the week. It can be as simple as a candle and a bible. You can add particular symbols for given days, palm on Palm Sunday, a water bowl & towel on Holy Thursday, a cross on Good Friday, a candle and holy water for Easter Sunday.
- Take time each day for prayer: Join in a livestream liturgy from your parish / use the daily prayer ritual in Bringing Holy Week Home 2021 on Kandle ie or the Kandle Facebook page /read the readings of the day and go out for a walk as you reflect on them.
- Visit your local parish church for some private prayer and a physical connection with your parish
- See Bringing Holy Week Home 2021 for 'to do' suggestions for each day of Holy Week.



#### REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED ANNIVERSARY MASSES

#### Month's Mind Mass:

Rita Breen nee Reddin, Portlaoise and formerly Brittas, mass here on Tuesday March 30th at 7.30pm.

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

Josephine & Bill Redmond, Davitt Road,

Ned Comerford, Manor Lane, Lena & Jimmy Dunne, Wolfetone St. Ellen, Joseph, Charlie, Patrick & William Conroy, Chapel St. Michael Byrne, formerly Brockview (1st Anniversary), Patrick Byrne, Cloncannon, Thomas Culleton, Derrycloney, Annie McDonald, Brittas, Tommy McDonald, Brittas, Ned Kelly, Derryguile, Patrick Gorman, Station View, James & Philomena Fingleton, Avolia Ger Horohan, Clonsaughey, Mai Healion, O'Moore St. Nancy Keogh, Borness, Tom & Peter Lawlor, Harbour St. Patrick & Elizabeth Lynch, Emmet St William Flanagan, Patrick St.

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend 3rd & 4th April: Mary (Peg) White, Emmet Street, Brigid Gorman, Borness,

John Deegan, Derryguile,

James & Mary Scott, Chapel St.

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.



CELEBRATING BAPTISMS vou have a baby fo

If you have a baby for Baptism,

please make sure we have your "Baptism Registration Form" on file in the Parish Office.

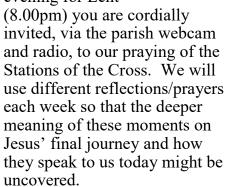
The parish office will contact you to make appropriate arrangements.

Please note that during current restrictions a total of 6 people (incl. the priest) should attend at Baptism ceremonies.

Parish Office telephone: 057/8624390 email stjosephs1878@gmail.com

#### Sunday Evening Stations of the Cross

Every Sunday evening for Lent



"By your Holy Cross you have Redeemed the World"

## PARISH RADIO AND WEBCAM SERIVCE.

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

**MASSES** 

Mon March 29th 10am.
Tues 30th 7.30pm.
Weds 31st 10am.
Penitential Service 7.30pm.
Holy Thurs April 1st 7.30pm;
9.00pm Adoration &
10.00pm Night Prayer.
Good Fri 2nd 10am Morning
Prayer; 3.00pm Passion of The
Lord & 8.00pm Stations
of The Cross.
Holy Sat April 3rd
10am Morning Prayer.
9.00pm Solemn Easter Vigil
Easter Sun April 4th 11.00am.

#### MOUNTMELLICK PARISH

Sat/Sun 20th & 21st March Envelopes: €800

#### **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

We welcome.....
Croi Minnock, Tullamore
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 3rd & 4th April

7.30pm: Bernadette Clear, Fiona Walsh, Pat Dalton, Ger Rochford, Sheelagh Coyle.

11.00am: Ann Storey

# MOUNTMELLICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday March 24th
Jackpot Numbers: 10:19:20:24:
Jackpot winner: €10,000
William McNamee, Rhode
Next weeks Jackpot is: €10,000
23 Match '3' - €44

Winner
A. N. Other
Mary Coleman
Eleanor Duff
Mollie Dalton

Promoter
M. Thompson
E. Comerford
E. Duff
M. Phelan

# Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

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## **Chrism Mass 2021**

This year's <u>Diocesan Chrism</u>
<u>Mass</u> can be viewed via the
Kildare and Leighlin Facebook
page and iCatholic livestream.
We are delighted to be able to
share greetings from our
parishes from 7:10pm, with
Mass beginning at 7:30 pm.
Please join Bishop Denis for this
celebration of the diocesan
family.