Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

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Public Masses Monday May 10th

From Monday (10th) we are once more able to come together in our Churches for the celebration of Mass, having been physically separated for these past months. In this Easter season, as a Church, we continue to ponder the joy of the resurrection and its meaning for us as followers of Christ. From Monday we are undergoing something of a resurrection as we begin to arise once more out of lockdown to gather for Mass and give worship to our God.

Hand hygiene, social distancing and wearing of facemasks will all apply. Thank you for your cooperation. **HANDS MASK** DISTANCE

THAT YOU

ONE ANOTHER

THIS IS MY COMMANDMENT, God is love, and we show we know God when we act with generous

love. God's love is both profoundly faithful and utterly overwhelming. This is what this Sunday's readings reveal, with the 1st reading showing a love that is also universal. The early disciples, at first limited in their mission, are now convinced that God's love embraces everyone. In the Gospel (Jn15: 9-17), St. John goes on to speak ever more deeply of God's love for us. He recalls Jesus's teaching about his loving relationship with his Father and of his desire to make

this relationship both known and available. All are invited into that same intimate relationship! This week, I might ask for the grace to let that teaching sink into my heart and become a reality in the way I live and by the fruit I bear. 'Help me, Lord, to respond to your friendship by being a true friend to you through my loving relationships with my sisters, brothers and all of creation. Amen.'

Fáilte Ar Ais - Welcome Back.



It is with great delight that this weekend we welcome back the Presentations Sisters to their Mountmellick home. With the refurbishment work complete its marvellous to have the Sisters back to their Convent and we wish them every health and happiness. The lantern of Nano Nagle shines brightly among us again.

"Lord God, you raise up people from age to age to speak anew your Word to us and to show us your ways. Such is Nano Nagle. In days when courage is needed, you give us this woman of strength to walk with conviction. In days of great change, you present us with a prophet whose faith is firm. As the light of her lantern brought hope into lives made wretched by poverty and oppression, so may she inspire us to compassionate action for those in need around us."

ACCORD New Online Counselling.

ACCORD, the Catholic Marriage Service has launched its first online counselling service to support individuals and couples experiencing difficulties in their relationships. Welcoming the new service, Bishop Denis Nulty, President of Accord CLG, said, "For the first time in our near sixty years service, Accord is now operating its specialist counselling services online to those who, for whatever reason, are unable to travel to an Accord centre to access in person counselling". Accord counsellors can help if your family relationships are under stress. For online or in person counselling visit www.accord.ie If you can't talk to each other, talk to Accord.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Month's Mind Mass:

Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Garrymore, Clonaghadoo, Jackie Doyle, Emmet Street, mass here on Tuesday May 11th at 7.30pm.

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered:
Mary Conroy, Derryguile,
Margaret Lynch, Portlaoise,
Jim Blanc, Emmet Street,
Mike Joe & Helen Mahon, Leitrim,
Pauline Conroy, Davin Park,
Myra Goode, Lord Edward Street,
Mary Lawlor, Aughans, Kilcavan,
John Joe Lawlor, Aughans & London
Sydney & Nora Bassett, Garoon,
John Quigley, Emmet Tce.,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend 15th & 16th May:

Martin Mulhall, Emmet Tce., John Challoner, Graigue, Peter Delaney, Four Roads,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

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.

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

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We welcome Millie Collins-Dunne, Cullenbeg Park, Iarla McDermott, Camira,

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

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH

Sat/Sun 1st & 2nd May Envelopes: €715

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".

READERS

Ministers of the Word Sat/Sun 15th & 16th May



7.30pm: Bernadette Clear 11.00am: Bernie Reddin

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Sat/Sun 15th & 16th May

7.30pm: Anna Reddin - Carol McAuley

11am: Ellen Coss - Noreen Savage

Eucharistic Ministers List available on the Notice Boards in the Church.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday May 5th Jackpot Numbers: 3:8:12:29: No Jackpot winner: Next weeks Jackpot is: €14,000 29 Match '3' - €35

WinnerPromoterRay MurphyMyra MurphyStephanie GormanC. LindleyTeresa ThompsonM. ThompsonAnne GingC. MaloneAnn McKaneMountmellick CU

Please support our weekly parish lotto. Tickets on Sale in the parish office, from promoters and in the local shops. Thank you for your support.

Good Luck!

May the month of Mary Beloved Mother, help us

realise that we are all members of one great family and to recognise the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves.

O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

The Board of Directors of Mountmellick Credit Union would like to thank all our Members who attended our recent Virtual AGM. We acknowledge the extra effort it requires and that some Members who normally attend could not join us. We look forward to resuming the physical meeting format in the near future. We would also like to thank and compliment webmill, the MDA digital hub for the use of their fabulous technological centre that allowed us to have the AGM. It is an amazing asset for Mountmellick and surrounds, thank you to the Manager Mr Patrick Buggy and all involved in the providing of this amenity. We wish everyone well, stay safe and thank you.

THANK YOU

Pat Holohan, Twomey Park would like to thank all who send get well wishes and get well mass bouquets, it was very much appreciated.