Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

The Holy Trinity - 30th May, 2021

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TRINITY SUNDAY.



Today is an opportunity to reflect on the relationships among the persons of the Trinity: Father, Son, Holy Spirit. Especially on the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, we are invited to pray about the relational nature of God, and we can find inspiration to strengthen our relationships with God and one another. St. Elizabeth of the Trinity, a Carmelite nun from France, offers us a prayer about her love of the Triune God: "O my God, Trinity whom I adore, let me entirely forget myself that I may abide in you, still and peaceful as if my soul were already in eternity; let nothing disturb my

peace nor separate me from you, O my unchanging God, but that each moment may take me further into the depths of your mystery! Pacify my soul! Make it your heaven, your beloved home and place of your repose; let me never leave you there alone, but may I be ever attentive, ever alert in my faith, ever adoring and all given up to your creative action". St. Elizabeth's mystical encounter with the Trinity can inspire us to pray for our own close relationship with God. Likewise, today's Gospel reminds us that a close relationship with God requires us to share our experiences with one another.



The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Celebrated on May 31, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the Virgin Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth. The meeting of these two women was a joyful and unique event. Both found themselves pregnant in unusual circumstances -- Elizabeth in her old age after suffering from infertility, and Mary by the Holy Spirit. At their meeting, John the Baptist leaped in the womb of Elizabeth, and she blessed Mary and the Christ Child. Mary, in turn, responds with the famous Magnificat praising the Lord.

The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

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<u>Masses:</u> 10.00am St. Joseph's Parish Church and 8.00pm in St. Mary's Clonaghadoo. **HOLY HOUR** of Prayer, Adoration, Reflection, Rosary and Benediction

from 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the Parish Church. All Welcome.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED ANNIVERSARY MASSES

<u>Month's Mind Mass:</u> Marie McGlynn, Davitt Court, mass here on Tuesday June 1st at 7.30pm.

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Margaret (Peg) White, Chapel Street, Noel Goode, Wolfetone Court, Jim Lawlor, Aughans, Kilcavan, Thomas & Bridget Lee, The Rock, Paddy Kearns, Lord Edward Street, Thomas Quigley, Derryguile, For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend 5th & 6th June: Martin & Maíre Delaney, Upper Forest,

Ann Davis, Harbour Street, Baby Dora Mitchell, Bay View, Liam Gorman, Clonaghadoo, Teresa Dempsey, Davin Park,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS Sat/Sun 5th & 6th June

7.30pm: John Payne & Gillian Colgan 11am: Mona Conroy & Michael Gormley

SACRED HEART NOVENA 2021 June 3rd - June 11th

Novena Prayer Lord Jesus, you have said, 'Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you'.

I come to you in faith and trust, in love ad hope. Let me know your closeness to me and your care for me and for all who are dear to me.

My intention for this Novena is dear to me and I know that what is important to me is important to you. Hear my prayer (intention); grant what I ask, and may I always trust that in all that happens in life, you will be close to me as my friend, guide and saviour. And so, Most Scared Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

Novena Leaflet available in the parish office.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH

Sat/Sun 22nd & 23rd May Envelopes: €1,535 Baskets: €1,005

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".

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.... Ollie Bishop, Connolly Street

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 LOTTO

Wednesday May 26th Jackpot Numbers: 4:15:16:22: No Jackpot winner: Next weeks Jackpot is: €17,000 17 Match '3' - €59 <u>Winner</u> Hazel Duffy Yvonne Florists Whelehan Family M. Phelan Please support our weekly

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READERS

Ministers of the Word Sat/Sun 5th & 6th June

7.30pm: Ann Conroy 11.00am: Ann Storey

Are you being called to the **Permanent Diaconate?** Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the Altar and Service. Bishop Nulty is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment. A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in October 2021. For further information please contact Fr. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st. Tel: 059 9161114. Email: permanentdiacona te@kandle.ie

ROCK GAA & ROCK N.S.

Jackpot No's: 1:13:15:25: 5 x €20 winners: Helen Dunne, Michael, Alicia, Finn, Ollie & Lila, Stephen McDonald, Antoinette Makim, Elaine Murphy. NW J/Pot: €8,000

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.

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and

Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

