

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

Pentecost Sunday - 23rd May, 2021

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PENTECOST: The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth.

Today we celebrate the great day of Pentecost, when Christ filled the Church with the power of his Spirit and sent his followers out into the world to bring his peace, joy and mercy to all. The First Reading tells the story of what happened on the first Pentecost. With the advent of the Holy Spirit, the disciples are filled with its power and the Church is born. The barrier of language between peoples is removed as the whole community hears the wonders of God's message. The atmosphere is one of an exuberant and joyful new beginning. In the Gospel reading, Jesus promises that the Spirit – the Advocate – will come and continue to be with them. He also invites his followers to begin to witness to the fullness of God's message of love, with the guidance and companionship of the Holy Spirit. This week, let us pray for ourselves and for the Christian Church. We ask for a sense of rediscovery of what it means to be the people of God, and that our hearts and minds might be open to the Spirit of truth. On this day God, poured out the Holy Spirit upon the disciples to enlighten their minds and hearts: may God fill us with the joy of heaven's blessing and the gifts of the Holy Spirit for ever. Amen.

SUPPORTING OUR RETIRED PRIESTS

The Kildare and Leighlin Annual Diocesan Collection for our Retired Priests takes place on May 29th/30th – next Sat/Sun. This collection is essential to the care of our retired priests and your generous support is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Attending Mass!!!!

It is great to have our congregations back at mass once more. As we continue to gather in prayer, please honour all the protocols/guidelines that are in place to help prevent the spread of the Covid virus - hand hygiene, social distancing and wearing of facemasks. Holy Communion should only be received in the hand. Thank you for your cooperation.



MOUNTMELICK COMMUNITY SCHOOL LC GRADUATION

Congratulations to the Leaving Cert Class of 2021 who had their "Graduation Ceremony" on Friday. We wish them the very best in their upcoming exams and in their life's journey in the years to come.

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER

Breathe in me, O Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Act in me, O Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Draw my heart, O Holy Spirit, that I love but what is holy. Strengthen me, O Holy Spirit, to defend all that is holy. Guard me, then, O Holy Spirit, that I always may be holy. Amen.

**REMEMBERING OUR
FAITHFUL DEPARTED
ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

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

Thomas Walsh, Chapel Street,
Rita & Seamus Gorman, Borness,
Liam Lawlor, Aughans & Dublin,
Kathleen Byrne, Harbour Street,
John Copper, Pattisons Estate,
Thady & Lucy Fox, Lought,
Martin Horan, Parnell Street,
Anne Furlong, Emmet Street,
Paddy Styles, Pearse Street,
Anne Nancy O'Reilly, Connolly Street
Joseph Lynch, Straboe,
Bride, Ange & Luke Ryan, Wolfetone
Street,
Francis Ruschitzko, Irishtown,
Patrick Fennelly, Emmet Street,
Patrick & Marie Conroy, Twoomey
Park,
Paddy & Mary Conroy, Twomey
Park,
Bernie Conroy, Derryguile,
Mary Duffy,

*For those whose anniversaries occur
at this time and for whom Mass will be
offered next weekend 29th & 30th
May:*

Mark McDonald, Pattisons Estate,
George Oliver Healion, O'Moore St.

*Masses available on parish webcam
or church radio.*

READERS

**Ministers of the Word
Sat/Sun 29th & 30th May**

**7.30pm: Fiona Walsh
11.00am: Mona Conroy**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sat/Sun 29th & 30th May**

**7.30pm: Ger Rochford &
Patricia Moloney
11am: Therese Wall & Paddy Buggy**

**Eucharistic Ministers List
available on the Notice Boards
in the Church or call to the
Parish Office.**

**Parish Office
Opening Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday
10.30am to 1.00pm
3.00pm to 4.30pm.**

**MOUNTMELICK
PARISH**

Sat/Sun 15th & 16th May
Envelopes: €1,685
Baskets: €765

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....



**Charlie Quille,
Debbicott,
Danny Power,
Rosenallis,**

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

**MOUNTMELICK PARISH
LOTTO**

**Wednesday May 19th
Jackpot Numbers: 5:15:17:25:
No Jackpot winner:
Next weeks Jackpot is: €16,000
19 Match '3' - €53
Winner Promoter
Frances Hibbits F. Hibbits**

**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!**

**STATEMENT FROM BISHOP
NULTY REGARDING
CELEBRATION OF
SACRAMENTS.**

On Wednesday last, 19th May,
Archbishop Dermot Farrell, Dublin,
was communicating with the Office
of the Taoiseach seeking further
clarification, and guidance, on the
Celebration of Sacraments at this
time. The subsequent advice that
was issued from the Office of the
Taoiseach, was "it is advised that
other religious ceremonies such as
First Holy Communions and
Confirmations should not take place
in May and June. Further advice
will follow on resumption of these
ceremonies when it is safe to do
so". It is with sadness then that I
request that there be no celebration
of the Sacraments of First Holy
Communion or Confirmation in
Kildare & Leighlin in these months.

We must continue to adhere to
advice not even, but especially, as
we emerge, hopefully, from this
pandemic. With continued prayers,
Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of
Kildare & Leighlin. *May 21st, 2021*

**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: permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie

ROCK GAA & ROCK N.S.

Jackpot No's: 6:10:21:26:
5 x €20 winners: Dick Conlon,
Ann Dempsey, Anne Conroy,
Sean Doyle, Sam MacCuirk,
NW J/Pot: €7,900