

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 3rd October, 2021

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BLESSING OF

FAMILY PETS Families and individuals are warmly invited to bring along their family pets to the front of

the Parish Church today Sunday (3rd) for a special blessing at 3.00pm. Please help us pass on this invitation from the parish by word of mouth or on social media to your neighbours, friends, and family. We look forward to seeing all creatures great and small, we just ask that owners take care to keep their pets and others safe and secure on the day.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat/Sun 9th & 10th October

7.30pm: Gillian Colgan & Elizabeth Moore

11am: Therese Wall & Antoinette Makim

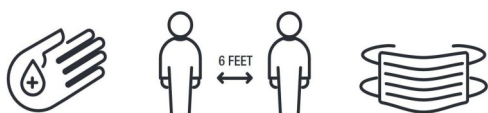
Ministers of the Word

Sat/Sun 9th & 10th October

7.30pm: Ger Rochford

11.00am: Mona Conroy

HANDS DISTANCE MASK



Covid 19 #HoldFirm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION This weekend the girls and boys who had their First Holy Communion celebrations postponed because of Covid at last got to mark this special day in their young lives. The Sacrament of the Eucharist (Holy Communion) is the heart of who we are as people of God. We are a holy communion in faith, in care and in peace and we share and receive Holy Communion to nourish us for the journey we make as followers of Christ and of His Gospel. We are the Body of Christ. The journey of the girls and boys who received the sacrament for the first time this weekend has been and will continue to be guided and supported primarily by their parents/guardians, their families, their schools and their parish. Many thanks to all for your encouragement, example and commitment and thanks too to all the team who helped in so many ways with the preparations for our ceremonies. *Fr. Murphy, Fr. Dunphy, Sr. Ann.*



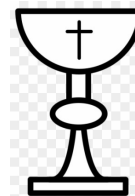
"One bread, one body, one Lord of all.
One cup of blessing which we bless. And
we, though many, throughout the Earth,
we are one body in this one Lord".



'He put his arms round them and gave them his blessing'

The scriptures today teach us about the importance and centrality of loving relationships to the expression of our faith. The Gospel contrasts two different aspects of human nature. The Pharisees attempt to exert authority and power over Jesus by testing his understanding of contested aspects of the law. Jesus responds by reminding them that the law was only given to them because they had lost touch with the essential truth of loving relationships at the heart of creation. His response to the Pharisees and subsequent welcoming of little children is a stark challenge to the patriarchy of the time. Unlike them, Jesus views women and children as equals to men. We pray that we will be blessed with the same compassionate spirit of Jesus to build a more just society that urgently focuses on restoring our harmony with nature.

The October Stations - Many thanks to all who contribute very generously to our October Stations which go towards the salary of the priests and for which we very grateful. Station Contribution Envelopes can be left in the usual Church boxes or in the post box at the Office door. In appreciation of your kindness various masses will be offered for parishioners throughout the month of October. *Fr. Murphy, Fr. Dunphy.*



B I N G O Sunday evening bingo has returned and we're delighted to have many of our patrons and friends back. Our seating capacity is limited, masks must be worn and only fully vaccinated people should attend. For safety and well-being there will be no shop and no raffle.

Sunday Oct 3rd bingo begins at 8.00pm!

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Mass: Sr. Monica (Mona) Hayes, formerly Irishtown, mass here on Tuesday October 5th at 7.30pm.

1st Anniversary Mass: Brendan Conroy, Davin Park & Mullingar, mass here on Thursday October 7th at 7.30pm

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

Joseph O'Rourke Jnr., O'Moore Street, Peter McEntee (1st Anniversary) Sarah Burke, Derryguile, Maureen Delaney, Manor Lane, Patrick & Mary Goodwin, Emmet Terrace, Michael, Mary & Kathleen Delaney, Upper Forest, Seamus Lynch, Straboe, Joe & Mary Dunne, Lower Forest, Mick & Paddy Dunne, Lower Forest, Pauline Carroll, Killeen, Elizabeth Cunningham, Derryguile,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH Collections

Sat/Sun 25th & 26th September
Envelopes: €1,395
Baskets: €805

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".

DONATE ONLINE

You can make your donation to support the parish via the 'Donate' button on our Parish Website, www.mountmellickparish.ie.

PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday September 29th
Jackpot Numbers: 11:16:28:32;
No Jackpot Winner:
Next weeks Jackpot is: €11,000
4 Match '3' - €250

Winner

Promoter

No Mountmellick winner

Defibrillator:

The Board of Mountmellick Arts Centre, thanks to the generous sponsorship of P & J Stewart, The Rock, is pleased to announce the installation of a new defibrillator on the front wall of the Centre. This public resource will be monitored by CCTV and the office staff will attend to the required checking of it on a daily/weekly basis.

CELEBRATING BAPTISM

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.

Welcome to our newly baptised....

**Billy Knowles, Manor Grove,
Billy Holom, Clonaghadoo,**

"O Angel of God, my Guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen."

Mountmellick Community School - Virtual Opening Evening on Thursday October 7th at 7.30pm

THE BALCONY CINEMA

Showing "Sorry we missed you" A story of the highs and low's of a family's struggle for financial independence. Wednesday October 6th @ 8pm. Tickets €5pp. At the moment numbers will be strictly limited to 50 tickets, pre-booking will be essential and masks must be worn at all times. To book call or text 089 4247448.

ROCK GAA & ROCK N.S. LOTTO

Jackpot No's: 7:18:21:24:

5 x €20 winners: Eamonn Dunne, Milly Dowling, Noel Hibbitts, John & Josie, Peter & Lil NW J/Pot: €9,800

P.A.T.H.

Clonaghadoo PATH Support Group will accept donations of practical and non-perishable items (hats, scarves & gloves needed) for their work with homeless people across Dublin and the surrounding area. A basket, for donated items, is located inside the door of Clonaghadoo Church. Further details: Angela 087/1304453, Catherine 087/9860265, Annette 085/1018988. Thank you.

Child-minder required for 2 children. Initially I will need 1 child (19 month old) minded 1-2 days per week from now. In March/April 2022 I will require both kids to be minded full time (2nd child will be 9 months old). Located near Emo. Contact 087 4150456.

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

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