

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 24th October, 2021
Mission Sunday**

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Opening Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,

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OCTOBER MISSION MONTH - This week will celebrate World Mission Sunday, the Pope's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. Worryingly, it is in jeopardy. The pandemic means that less of us can physically attend Mass, meaning less offerings in the basket. The implications for overseas missionaries and the communities they serve over the coming months will be devastating. You can help right now. Please donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively donate at www.missio.ie or call Missio on 01 497 2035. To learn more go to www.missio.ie

Covid 19

While there may be some easing in capacity restrictions for places of worship it is expected that "protective measures remain in place" (Dept of Taoiseach, Thurs Oct 21st). Mindful of same, the protocols etc we have in place for our churches/ceremonies remain for now - wear face coverings, sanitise hands, socially distance. Thank you for your cooperation.

Covid 19 [#Hold Firm](#)



World Mission Sunday is Pope Francis' annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. It always falls on the second last Sunday in October. It is a

moment of universal solidarity when each member of the Church family, regardless of location or background, play their part in supporting each other. Its theme this year '*We Cannot Remain Silent - We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard (Acts 4:20)*' is twofold. It is a message of hope – Jesus Christ is risen, and we cannot keep his love, compassion, and mercy to ourselves. It also challenges us to stand up and speak out on behalf of those who are weaker. All too often, the voices that need to be heard are not the loudest. For them, we cannot remain silent.

Opening Prayer.....

O God, you have willed that your Church be the sacrament of salvation for all nations, so that Christ's saving work may continue to the ends of the ages; stir up, we pray, the hearts of your faithful and grant that they may feel a more urgent call to work for the salvation of every creature, so that from all the peoples on earth one family and one people of your own may arise and increase.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



COMMUNION PARTICIPATION MISSION SYNOD 2021-2023

On Oct 17th Pope Francis launched an initiative for the whole Catholic Church worldwide to get involved with. It's called 'Synodality' and the three key words that inform the idea are 'communion, participation, and mission'. It's all about walking together, listening respectfully to every voice, and discerning together what God wants us, the people of

God, the Church, to be today. The synod aims to invite laypeople and those who have not traditionally had a voice in church leadership into discussions on how the church can be more inclusive and collaborative.

Share your views/observations/comments by email to stjosephs1878@gmail.com or by post to Fr. Murphy, PP, Parish Office, St. Joseph's Church, Sarsfield St, Mountmellick, Co. Laois. R32DV27.

ALL SAINTS - ALL SOULS

November 1st & 2nd

Mass Times

Monday November 1st is the '**Feast of All Saints**'.

Mass times as follows: 11am & 7.30pm in
St. Joseph's Parish Church.

Tuesday November 2nd is '**All Souls Day**' when we remember our Faithful Departed. Masses as follows:
11am & 7.30pm in St. Joseph's Parish Church.



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.

Bingo begins at 8.00pm!

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED ANNIVERSARIES

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered:
John & Eileen Lowry, Emmet Street, James & Bridget Lowry, O'Moore Street, Jack O'Brien, Kildcavan,
Tom Flynn, The Rock, Martin & Mary Delaney & Josie Fennelly, Graigue, Mark McDonnell, Cullenbeg,
Donal Lawlor, Killeenmore Killeigh & Aughans, Margaret Murray, Kirwan Park, Seamus Fitzpatrick &
Lily Danaher nee Fitzpatrick, Graigue, Marie Bacon, Connolly Street, Michael, Julia & Jim Sherlock,
Eyne, Sherlock & Beale Family, Michael Lewis, Debbicot, Jack & Carmel Gorman, Connolly Street, Ellen /
Curham, Killeen,
*For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend 30th & 31st
October:* Breda Moss, Derrycloney, Paddy Dunne, Borness, Patrick, Michael & William Deegan,
Derryguile,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH Collections

Sat/Sun 16th & 17th October
Envelopes: €1,070
Baskets: €780

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.

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....

Oisín Wardick, Acragar,

"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."

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS Sat/Sun 30th & 31st October

7.30pm: **Bernie O'Toole & Ger O'Mahony**
11am: **Noreen Savage & Mona Conroy**

Ministers of the Word Sat/Sun 30th & 31st October

7.30pm: **Padraig O'Toole**
11.00am: **Sheelagh Coyle**

PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday October 20th
Jackpot Numbers: 8:10:27:30:
Jackpot Winner: Dolly Whelan, Hacketstown
Next weeks Jackpot is: €10,000
15 Match '3' - €67

Winner
Alice Culliton
May Lynch

Promoter
Mary Donohoe
May Lynch

THE BALCONY CINEMA

Showing "The Biggest Little Farm" A couple are followed
through their successes and failures as they work to develop a
sustainable farm on 200 acres outside of Los Angeles. Over the
years, their desolate purchase begins to thrive and is transformed.
Wednesday October 27th @ 8pm. Tickets €5pp. Pre-booking
will be essential and masks must be worn at all times. To book
call or text 089 4247448.

St Vincent's Hospital Support Group will hold their AGM on
Tuesday 16th November 2021 @ 8.00pm in the Town Hall
Mountmellick. This is a wonderful community service in our
town. We look forward to welcoming new members at our AGM.

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.

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

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