

## Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

**Baptism of The Lord**  
**9th January, 2022**

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### Parish Office

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### Opening Hours

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,**

**Thursday & Friday**

**10.30am to 1.00pm**

**3.00pm to 4.30pm.**

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**'You are my Beloved; My favour rests on you!'** Today marks the end of the Christmas season, as we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord. It heralds the beginning of Jesus's public mission: the work of teaching, preaching, and healing. God's great love and mercy offer salvation to all through Jesus, by the gift of the Holy Spirit. In the Gospel God proclaims

Jesus as his 'beloved Son' at his baptism in the Jordan. We, too, are beloved daughters and sons of God, called to make known the love of God to all we meet. We pray this week, and in the weeks ahead, for whatever grace God feels we need to help us.

**Jesus, sinless, you stood among us, awaiting the sacrament like everybody else, as though you were a sinner who needs to be made clean. But the Father said in a loud voice: "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."**

**Oh God of us and all, you stand with us, sinful as we are, forming us as beloved daughters and sons. Baptism shows your light in us for all the world. Let it be.**

**In 2021 85 children were baptised in our parish.  
We keep them, their parents/guardians, and  
families in our prayers today.**



## 2022 Envelopes

**Please take your 2022  
box of envelopes as you  
leave after mass.**

**Many thanks to all who  
generously and regularly  
return their weekly envelopes.**

**For the next few weeks, as you  
return your envelope  
contributions, please write  
your name on the front of the  
envelope.**

**Míle buíochas.**



## SYNOD 2021-2023.

The image on our 2022 Parish Calendar is of the special focus of the Church for the next few years. Pope Francis describes "Synodality," as being 'on the road together'. He wants this vision of the church being 'on the road or journey together' to come alive.

The fundamental question that guides this is the following: How is this 'journeying together' happening today in your particular Church? What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our 'journeying together?' Share your views/observations/comments by email to [stjosephs1878@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephs1878@gmail.com) or by post to Fr. Murphy, Parish Office, St. Joseph's Church, Sarsfield St, Mountmellick, Co. Laois. R32DV27.

## Covid 19

With the recent announcement about capacity restrictions and the advice to keep protective measures in place, those protocols etc we have in our churches will remain for now - wear face coverings, sanitise hands, socially distance.

Thank you for your cooperation.

R.S.V.P. Risk, Symptoms, Venue, People.



Holy Mother of God, to you we consecrate this New Year. You, who know how to cherish things in your heart, care for us, bless our time, and teach us to find time for God and for others.  
(Pope Francis)

## 2022 PARISH CALENDAR



Please take a 2022 Parish Calendar available at the back of the churches.

## REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

**Month's Mass Masses:** Betty Doyle, Emmet Tce., & Michael McCann, Garoon, mass here on Tuesday January 11th at 7.30pm.

**1st Anniversary Mass:** Alice McCann, Borness, mass here on Thursday January 13th at 7.30pm.

***For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered:*** Kathleen & Paul Goodwin, St. Joseph's Tce., Fr. Con Phelan, Strahard, Michelle Oxley, Lord Edward St., Mary Deegan, Twomey Tce., Essie Forde, Acragar, Joe Blanc, Pattison's Est., James Gormley, Parnell St, Bill Horan, Strahard, Maura Horan, Strahard, Denis Quinn, Harbour St., Richard Coss, Emmet St., Theresa Ciss O'Sullivan, St. Joseph's Tce., Edward & Bridget Murphy, Emmet St., William Deffew, O'Moore St., Joseph & Jane Delaney, Manor Lane, Martin & Mary Delaney & Josie Fennelly, Graigue, Des Conroy, Harbour Court, Jack, Mick, Tom, Timmy & Jack Jnr. Lawlor, Eamon Conroy, Dangans, Charlie & Johnny Cahill, Mary Jane Allen, Eyne Owen Lawlor, Cloncosney, Elizabeth Milmoie, St. Joseph's Tce.

***For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday 15th & 16th January:*** Rose Dempsey, O'Moore St., John Bunny Bracken, Portnahinch, Kathleen & Joseph McNamara, Kathleen & Tom Hall, Elizabeth Reynolds.

***Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.***

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH Collections

Saturday/Sunday 1st & 2nd January  
Envelopes: €970  
Baskets: €745

### THANK YOU THANK YOU DONATE ONLINE

You can make your donation to support the parish via the 'Donate' button on our Parish Website, [www.mountmellickparish.ie](http://www.mountmellickparish.ie)

### CHEQUES CHEQUES

Please make all cheques for the parish payable to  
"Mountmellick Parish No 1 Account".

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS Saturday/Sunday January 15th & 16th

**7.30pm: Bernadette O'Toole &  
Sebastian Kopijka**

**11.00am: Noreen Savage &  
Mona Conroy**

### Ministers of the Word Saturday/Sunday January 15th & 16th

**7.30pm: Sr. Ann Walsh  
11.00am: Bernie Reddin**

### Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person & Director of  
Safeguarding

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057 8624390.

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday January 5th

Jackpot Numbers: 9:14:17:20:

No Jackpot Winner.

Next weeks Jackpot is: €16,000

15 Match '3' - €67

#### Winner

Robert O'Meara  
Eileen Walsh

#### Promoter:

Stephen O'Meara  
Carol Lindley

### MISSION ALIVE

**The Mission Alive committee would like to thank all who  
contributed so generously to their Mission Alive collection.  
The amount donated was €3,330.**

### MOUNTMELICK GAA

Jackpot No's: 13:18:29:30:

€50 - Darren Fitzpatrick.

€25 x 2 - Ciaran Rochford,

Larry Walsh

N/W J/Pot: €10,000.



### BINGO BINGO

**BINGO** this Sunday  
(Jan 9th).

Our seating capacity is limited,  
masks must be worn and only  
fully vaccinated people should  
attend. **Bingo begins at  
3.00pm. Check!!**

### **K. W. Home Improvements**

Phone: 083 3692759

Email: [kevwhite851@  
gmail.com](mailto:kevwhite851@gmail.com)

Tiling, Painting, Block Laying,  
Plastering, Patio's, Timber  
Fencing, Concert Panel  
Fencing, etc.

### P.A.T.H.

Clonaghadoo PATH  
Support Group will accept  
donations of practical and  
non-perishable items 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.  
Hats, scarves & gloves &  
socks needed at this time of  
the year, Further details:  
Annette 085 1018988, Ann  
085 8427064, Dolores 087  
6255735.

**The above committee  
would like you thank you  
for your support and  
donations throughout the  
year it is very much  
appreciated.**