

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

**7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
20th February, 2022**

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CELEBRATING BAPTISM

If you have a baby for Baptism, please make sure we have your "Baptism Registration Form" on file in the Parish Office.

Welcome to our newly baptised....

**Robbie Deane, Cullenwood,
Kylie Ambroziak, Davin Park,**

"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."

Covid 19 Covid 19

**Wear A Mask
Sanitise Your Hands**

**Thank you for your
cooperation.**

— R.S.V.P. —

Risk, Symptoms, Venue, People.

'My soul, give thanks to the Lord!' Our scripture readings invite and challenge us to live generous, kind-hearted lives of compassion, mercy and love. In the First Reading, David, the future king of Israel, shows great magnanimity in sparing the life of his persecutor Saul. The dramatic incident in the camp highlights David's ingenuity and his sense of honour and indicates that Saul's days as king of Israel are numbered. These events prepare us for a challenging Gospel piece, where we hear Jesus urging us to show forgiveness even to our enemies, and to be 'compassionate as your Father is compassionate'. However, the last verses make it clear that the demands of the kingdom can only be understood in the light of our relationship with God. Given our 'earthbound' nature, we are all too aware that we cannot live out the teachings of Jesus without help! This week, we may like to pray for the grace to be open both to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and also to the life of the risen Lord working in, with and through us. We pray, too, that our sisters and brothers everywhere may be open to God's compassion and love.



**Synod
2021
2023**

The important Kildare and Leighlin 'Synod Questions' are now available on www.kandle.ie/synod/ under Listening Lent. Please take a look at them. You might give some time to pray and reflect on them and talk about them with family or friends. Over the next few weeks, you might share some of your thoughts/insights etc with the diocese by either completing the 'online survey' or coming to a parish 'synod listening session'. Details to follow. As we look forward to our 'Listening Lent' these words from Bishop Nulty remind us of some key aspects of what it means to be on a synodal journey. *'May we remember that family for all of us is where the synodal journey begins – a journey of discovery, listening, participation, discerning or coming to know the will of God in our lives.'* On this synodal pathway, Pope Francis invites us to speak graciously with courage and boldness but also to listen graciously with respect to another person and with openness to hear God speaking to us through the story and experience of another person.



Worldwide Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Sexual Abuse - Fri Feb 25th

God of mercy, it was not your plan that children should be abused – that vulnerable people's lives should be destroyed – nor that people called to goodness should give way to temptation to abuse or to cover up the sinful actions of others. The work of the Enemy has broken the heart of your Church – but the work of Christ will be its healing and redemption. In our sorrow and shame, we turn to you – our only source of hope. Give us faith to believe that you can bring light from this darkness; give us hope that the future can be built on the foundations of truth and justice; give us love that we each play our part – however great – however small – in your great work of healing the broken Body of Christ. (Wellsprings)



CELEBRATING SACRAMENTS Family, Parish, School. CONFIRMATION 2022

Mar 5th, The Rock at 11am, 5th Class and at 2.00pm, 6th Class.

Mar 12th, Scoil Phádraig at 11.00am and Scoil Iósaif at 2.00pm.

Mar 26th, Clonaghadoo at 11.00am

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

May 14th, Scoil Phádraig at 11.00am and Scoil Iósaif at 2.00pm.

May 21st, The Rock NS at 11.00am and Clonaghadoo NS at 11.00am.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind: James McInerney, Kirwan Park, mass here on Tuesday February 22nd at 7.30pm.

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

Michael Scott, Sarsfield Street, John & Bridget Feely, Michael Coss, Harbour Court, Jack & Ellen Delaney, Garoon, John Geoghegan, Emmet Tce., Lally Hourigan, Harbour Street, Annie Loughlin, Connolly Street, Mary Deegan, Derryguile, Ian Quigley, Salthouse Lane, Rose Moylan, Patrick McEvoy, Patrick Street, Margaret Joyce, Derrydavy, James Lynch, Straboe, Elizabeth Meehan, Garoon, Peter Allen, Eyne, Jack Flanagan, Portarlinton, Bertie & Eileen White, Patrick Street, Michael Carroll, Pattisons Estate, Billy Dunne, Lower Forest,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday 26th & 27th February: Patricia Lynch, Chapel Street, Abraham Storey, Derryguile, Patricia (Pat) Conroy, O'Moore Street,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections

Saturday/Sunday 12th & 13th February

Envelopes: €1,180

Baskets: €940

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

CHEQUES CHEQUES

Please make all cheques for the parish payable to

"Mountmellick Parish No 1 Account".

P.T.A.A.

Mountmellick P.T.A.A. are having a presentation of Emblems and Certificates in St. Joseph's Church on Thursday February 24th. The evening will begin with mass at 7.30pm followed by the presentation of emblems and certificates.

The national President of the P.T.A.A. Matt Boylan will be in attendance to present the members with their awards. We would ask all members who are due awards to be present on the evening. Thanking you.

BINGO

this Sunday evening.

Masks must be worn.

Bingo begins at 8.00pm. Check!!



MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday February 16th

Jackpot Numbers: 4:17:23:30:

No Jackpot Winner:

Next weeks Jackpot is: €14,000

15 Match '3' - €67

Winner

Promoter:

No Mountmellick Winners

MOUNTMELICK GAA

Jackpot No's : 8:15:19:28:

€50 - Tim Young.

€25 x 2 - Kate Dowling,

Jenny Colbert.

N/W J/Pot: €10,000

ROCK GAA & ROCK N.S. LOTTO

Jackpot No's: 8:11:15:16:

5 x €20 winners: Lucey

Hibbitts, Bernadette

Lennon, 2+2, Tom Storey,

Jack McDonald.

NW J/Pot: €10,000

Traditional Music Concert

Mountmellick Community

Arts Centre, today Sunday

February 20th at 3.00pm.

Triona Marshall (harp),

Martin Tourish (accordion),

The Music Generation Laois

Trad Orchestra -

The Impossible Dream,

The Harpettes. Adm: Free.

No booking required.

A set of keys was found in Emmet Tce during the week, please call into the Parish Office.

Mountmellick Drama Festival 2022 We're Back!!

Friday 4th March -

Friday 11th March.

In Mountmellick Community

Arts Centre, at 8pm nightly

Nightly Ticket €12 (€7)

Season Ticket €60 (€35)

Booking and Enquiries:

087-7942994 or 087-4121205

Coming Soon -

mountmellickdramafestival.ie



BALCONY CINEMA

showing "Grease"

Wednesday February

23rd at 8pm. Tickets €5.

Masks must be worn at all times.

CATHOLIC PUBLICATIONS



Available to order in

our Parish Office -

The Irish Catholic

Newspaper and

Catholic Magazines,

Reality, Africa & the Sacred

Heart Messenger.

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