



Mountmellick Parish Newsletter



**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday January 15th, 2023**

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In today's Gospel from St. John, we find John the Baptist recognising Jesus as the 'Lamb of God'. If we, also, recognise Jesus as the Chosen One of God, what does that mean? What does it ask of us? A way forward can be readily found in the three other texts of today's liturgy: doing God's will and delighting in God's law in the depth of our heart (Resp. Psalm); taking our place among all the saints, the holy people of Jesus Christ (2nd Reading); and being a light for the nations so that God's salvation may reach all people (1st Reading). Let us pray, this week, that by 'seeing' God, both at work in the world and present to us in our lives, we might bear witness to the Chosen One by the daily choices we make.

Week of Prayer



For Christian Unity

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY, Jan 18th – 25th

BE-LONGING, PRAYING FOR UNITY AMIDST INJUSTICE

On 22 April 1993 a teenager was murdered on the streets of London while waiting for a bus. Stephen Lawrence was a promising young man looking forward to fulfilling his dream of becoming an architect. He was murdered simply because he was black. -The murder was to have a seismic effect on society and its reverberations were felt across many nations. As long as racism exists, we live in a divided society and a divided world, so during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we reflect upon how these divisions impact our shared life as we pray together for the unity for which Christ prayed.

PRAYER: You made us, God, in your own image, and then became one of us, proud of those you have made. Make us proud of being part of that worldwide family, and eager to discover and celebrate your image in every person, every culture, every nation that we are privileged to encounter.

(For this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity we are guided by the churches of Minneapolis as we seek to explore how the work of Christian unity can contribute to the promotion of racial justice across all levels of society.) www.ctbi.org.uk

Upcoming Event at Mount St. Anne's, Killenard, Portarlinton.

Prayerful Meditation Day on Saturday 11th February 2023, 10am – 3pm

Offering a day to meditate, pray and be nourished using Scripture.

Facilitated by Sr Anne Kearney.

Cost: €25 (please bring packed Lunch) Tea/Coffee and biscuits provided.

For further information/bookings, please contact:

The Secretary on 057-8626153 or email secretary@mountstannes.com



Box of Envelopes Supporting Our Parish

Your box of Parish Envelopes is available this weekend at the back of both churches. Over the next few weeks (4/5) as you return your contributions please write your name on the front of the envelope – thus helping us keep correct records. Thank you for your ongoing support. Please encourage others, maybe at home or in work, to pick up a box too and join in.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Masses: Pat Holohan, Twomey Park, mass on Tuesday January 17th at 7.30pm.

1st Anniversary: James McInerney, Kirwan Park, mass on Thursday January 19th at 7.30pm

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Mary Fitzgerald, St. Joseph's Tce., Peter Conran, Harbour Street, Carmel Flynn, Derrycloney, Teresa (Ciss) O'Sullivan, St. Joseph's Tce., Joseph & Kathleen MacNamara, Tom & Kathleen Hall, Elizabeth & Colm Reynolds, Elizabeth Milmoie, St. Joseph' Tce., Joseph Delaney, Manor Lane, Jane Delaney, Manor Lane, Bill & Kitty Coffey, Harbour Street, Henry & Mary Jane Allen, Eyne, Michael & Margaret Conlon, Derryguile, Tom Gorman, Station House, Bill Weston, St. Joseph's Tce., Jack Bacon, Connolly Street, Thomas Curham, Killeen, James. Elizabeth & Josephine Fitzpatrick, Graigue, John & Elizabeth Johnson, Lord Edward Street,
For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday January 21st & 22nd: Andrew O'Reilly, Connolly Street, Bridget Doyle, O'Moore Street, Thomas Moran, Portlaoise, Jake Connolly, Connolly Street, Michael Haverty, Irishtown,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH Collections

Saturday/Sunday 7th & 8th Jan
Envelopes: €2,175
Baskets: €850

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".

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday January 11th

Jackpot Numbers: 5:11:15:23:

Jackpot winner: Mary Jones, Rhode.

28 Matched '3' - €36 each.

The next Lotto Jackpot is: €10,000

Winner

Stephen Lynch
Aidan Heeran

Promoter:

Frances Hibbitts
Catherine Malone

Ministers of the Word Saturday/Sunday Jan 21st & 22nd

7.30pm: Fiona Walsh

11.00am: Vincent McEvoy

Ministers of the Eucharist Saturday/Sunday Jan 21st & 22nd

7.30pm: Sr. Ann Walsh & Gillian Colgan

11.00am: Ellen Coss & Paddy Buggy



Revenue's Refund on your donations to the Parish.

Many thanks to those who have returned the CHY3 Refund Form.

As a registered charity the Parish is eligible to claim a refund from Revenue on the donations made to the parish - collection at mass, weekly envelopes, Giving Sunday, collection for the support of the priests etc. The CHY3 Forms are available in the parish church.

Mountmellick Men's Shed

The AGM of the above will be held on Monday January 16th at 8.00pm in the Shed.
All members are requested to attend.
Yearly membership fee of €10 is now due.
New members are welcome to join.

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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...

**Michelle Okeke, College Avenue,
Gia Davis, Brockview,**

"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."

THE BALCONY CINEMA

will show "**The Duke**", on Wednesday, January 18th at 8.00pm. €5, all welcome.

Mountmellick Employment Resource have vacancies on the Community Employment Scheme. Interested people can check details in CE Office at the back of the Arts Centre.

VERA'S: All alterations carried out by an experienced alteration hand. Curtains altered, coats, jackets repaired, trousers & skirts shortened. No job to big or small. Contact Vera @ 083 1072694, or call to 17 Esker Gate, Mountmellick.