



## **Mountmellick Parish Newsletter**



**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sunday January 22nd, 2023**

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### **Jesus, Light of the World**



Today's readings on this *Sunday of the Word of God* and the beginning of *Catholic Schools Week* proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, the light of the world: a beacon who draws all peoples to himself. In the Gospel, St Matthew sees the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecy that a great light would one day shine upon all. Jesus was, and is, that light. At the beginning of his ministry, after proclaiming the kingdom of heaven, it is striking that his first action is to call his first disciples. The task of witnessing to the kingdom is not something to be done by Jesus alone. Rather he calls followers to share in and continue this work. This week, we may like to ask the Lord for that light and help in our own lives, and in the lives of all humanity. We pray that we might find ways of sharing his light and compassion with all whom we meet in our suffering world.



### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK Jan 22<sup>nd</sup> – Jan 29<sup>th</sup>**

Catholic Schools: Walking Together in Faith & Love

**Scoil Iósaif Naofa, Scoil Phádraig Naofa, Clonaghadoo Ns, The Rock NS.**

In our Catholic school, we want everyone to feel happy and safe. We work hard to show kind words and actions every day. When we are good friends to each other and are caring and kind, we are living like Jesus wants us to. Our Catholic school is a place where we show kindness to our students, teachers, SNAs, staff and visitors. Our Catholic school is a community where we learn and grow, developing positive relationships and reaching our full potential.



Dear God, thank you for caring for us and loving us no matter what.  
Thank you for sending the Holy Spirit to guide us.  
Help us to share your love and to care for all of your people even those  
who are harder to love.  
Thank you for your unconditional love for us.  
We pray that we may love one another as You love us. Amen.



*We continue to welcome in a particular way those children who are preparing to celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time later this year.*



*Our focus this month is on teaching them about baptism, the sacrament through which new members are welcomed into our parish family. One good way for all of us to recall our Baptism is to use holy water in our homes regularly.*

## REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

**Month's Mind Masses:** Dillon Kidney Quinn, Willow Grove, mass on Tuesday January 24th at 7.30pm.

**1st Anniversary:** Michael Delaney, Wolfetone Street, mass on Thursday January 26th at 7.30pm.

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

Mary & Michael McCormack, Hill 60, Clare Murphy, Chapel Street, Pat Conroy, Dangans, Fintan Gorman, Hill 60, Pat Bracken, Offaly, Angela Lynch, Chapel Street, Liam, Michael & John Conroy, Derryguile, John Lynch, Portlaoise, Patrick Quigley, Derryguile, Elizabeth Johnson, formerly Lord Edward Street, Timothy, Jack, Tom, Michael & Jack Jnr. Lawlor, William & Ann Hanlon, O'Moore Street, Thomas Lalor, St. Joseph's Tce., Kathleen Holohan, St. Joseph's Tce.,

***For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday January 28th & 29th:*** Eoin Dooley, Brittas, Bernard Dunne, Garrymore, Joseph Davis, Harbour Street, Tony Smith & Bronte Smith, Twomey Park, Ann Nancy Dunne, Chapel Street.

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

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH

#### Collections

Saturday/Sunday 14th & 15th Jan  
Envelopes: €1,380  
Baskets: €1,150

#### 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".

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday January 18th  
Jackpot Numbers: 5:18:26:28.  
No Jackpot winner.  
10 Matched '3' - €100 each.  
The next Lotto Jackpot is: €11,000

#### Winner

Yvonne Duffy

#### Promoter:

Yvonne's Florist

### Charity Concert in Support for Ukraine.

Featuring Tom Conroy, Heather Fogarty, Ciaran Campbell and many more.  
This Sunday Jan 22nd at 3:00pm.  
St. Peter & Paul's Church, Portlaoise.  
Free Entry. Raffle with lots of prizes.

### Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

#### Designated Liaison Person & Director of Safeguarding

Telephone: 085 8021633.

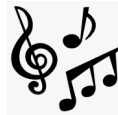
Email: [safeguarding@kandle.ie](mailto:safeguarding@kandle.ie)

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@ 057 8624390.

**Ministers of the Word**  
**Saturday/Sunday Jan 28th & 29th**  
**7.30pm: Ger Rochford**  
**11.00am: Sheelagh Coyle**

**Ministers of the Eucharist**  
**Saturday/Sunday Jan 28th & 29th**  
**7.30pm: John Payne & Bernadette Clear**  
**11.00am: Noreen Savage & Mona Conroy**



### MOUNTMELICK COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE PRESENTS

#### 'Rake the Ashes' -

**Sat. Feb 4<sup>th</sup>, 8.15pm**

Featuring: Niamh Morris, Uilleann Piper

Enjoy this Bank Holiday Weekend Concert of  
Music and Song.

Tickets: €20 available in local shops (Turley's,  
Steven's Bargain Central, O'Gorman's,  
Ger Dunne's Gala, Supervalu, Moloney's Bar.  
The Druid).

**Doors open: 7.30pm**

### THE BALCONY CINEMA

will show "**Joyride**", on Wednesday, January 25th  
at 8.00pm. €5, all welcome.

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### 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.

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### Anthony Reddin Motors, Manor Road.

Due to unforeseen circumstances Anthony Reddin Motors  
will be closed until further notice.

Sorry for any inconvenience caused.

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### MOUNTMELICK GAA - LOTTO

Jackpot No's: 3:20:26:28:

€50 - Ger Doody.

€25 x 2 - Katie Donoher, Shane Grehan.

N/W Jackpot Pot: €10,000.

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