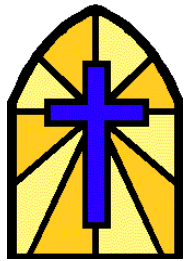




Mountmellick Parish Newsletter



5th Sunday of Easter - Sunday May 7th, 2023

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The
Word
of God

"NO ONE CAN COME TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME".

In our readings this week, we continue to follow the infant church, and with them ponder the words Jesus gave us at the Last Supper. The gospel reading (Jn14:1-12) is from Jesus's conversation with his friends before he suffered and died. They are words of encouragement. In the light of the Resurrection, the disciples must have drawn strength from them. Jesus is with them: the Way, the Truth and the Life. As we begin this week, let us, too, keep our eyes on Jesus, even when we are concerned by all that is happening around us. May we strive to follow the Lord as the Way, in joy and hope.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Every good wish to the children from 2nd class in Scoil Phádraig and Clonaghadoo NS who will celebrate their First Holy Communion next Saturday (13th). Many thanks to their teachers Ms. Delaney and Ms. Poole for their marvellous work with the children all through the school year. Thanks too to their parents and guardians for the encouragement and help they have given as well. The following lyrics capture well the meaning of this special day.

THE LAST SUPPER (B.Sexton)

*Jesus took the bread he broke, Jesus shared the bread he broke, and said,
"Do this, do this in memory of me".*

*Jesus took the wine he poured; Jesus shared the wine he poured, and said,
"Do this, do this in memory of me".*

*I am the vine; you are the branches; and all who live in me will bear great fruit. I am the bread,
come down from heaven; and all who eat this bread will have eternal life.*

MAY – The Month of Our Lady

Take my hand, O Blessed Mother hold it gently lest I fall; I grow nervous when I'm walking so to thee I humbly call. Guide me over every crossing, watch me when I'm on the stairs let me know that you're beside me; listen to my fervent prayers. Then when darkness falls around me and I fear to be alone: Take my hand O Blessed Mother, once again and lead me home. Amen.



Our Lady of Fatima.

On May 13, the Church celebrates the anniversary of the appearance of Mary to three shepherd children in the town of Fatima, in Portugal, in 1917. Between May 13 and October 13 of that year, Mary appeared six times to brother and sister Francisco, 8, and Jacinta, 6, and their cousin Lucia, 9. She asked the children to pray and devote themselves to the Holy Trinity, and "to say the Rosary every day, to bring peace to the world and an end to the war." Our Lady of Fatima, Queen of peace, pray for us.

Queen of the May



Bring flowers of the rarest, bring blossoms the fairest, from garden and woodland and hillside and vale. Our full hearts are swelling, our glad voices telling the praise of the loveliest flower of the vale.



O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today,
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.
O Mary! we crown thee with blossoms today
Queen of the Angels, Queen of the May.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Mass: Lillian Corcoran, Clontyglass, mass on Tuesday May 9th at 7.30pm.

1st Anniversary Mass: Mary Dunne, Hillcrest, Clonaghadoo, mass next Sunday May 14th at 9.00am in St. Mary's Church, Clonaghadoo,

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Seamus Marron, Lord Edward St., Helen & Mike Joe Mahon, Leitrim, Stasia & Martin Mulhall, Emmet Tce., Michael & Margaret Conlon, Derryguile, Sydney & Nora Bassett, Garoon, Patrick & Marie Conroy, Twomey Park, Paddy & Mary Conroy, Twomey Park, Tom Molloy, Twomey Park, Mary Conroy, Derryguile, Margaret Lynch, Portlaoise, Richard & Patrick Colbert, Harbour Court, Thady & Lucy Fox, Lought, Michael Byrne, Derryguile, Myra Goode, Lord Edward St., Elizabeth Byrne, Sandymount, John & Nancy Dunne, Emmet Tce., Pauline Conroy, Davin Park, John Quigley, Emmet Tce.,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday May 13th & 14th: Bernard & Susan Dalton, Nyra, Frances Davis, Harbour St., Bridget Dunne, Graigue, John Challoner, Graigue, Mary & Jim Lawlor, Aughans, Noel Storey, Derryguile, Paddy Lynch, Emmet St.,

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday 29th & 30th April

Envelopes: €890

Baskets: €890

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

MAY ROSARY

The Rosary will be recited in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at 7pm in the Parish Church each Sunday for the month of May. All welcome.



The Rosary will be recited in Castlebrack Cemetery at 7pm each Sunday for the month of May. All welcome.

LOURDES 2023 - PILGRIMAGE

Mountmellick, Ballyfin, Mountrath.

2nd August, 2023 for 7 nights.

€995 per person sharing. Deposits now requested.

For information, bookings and details contact Eleanor @ 087 7670915.

Parish Pilgrimage to Knock.

There will be a short two-night pilgrimage to Knock from Sept 12th to 14th next. Hotel €192 pp sharing, €252 single room (cost of transport to follow). Pilgrimage will leave Mountmellick on the morning of Tuesday Sept 12th and return on the afternoon of Thursday Sept 14th. Contact: Eleanor @ 087 7670915 or Parish Office @ 057 8624390.

Ministers of the Word Saturday/Sunday May 13th & 14th

7.30pm: Pdraig O'Toole

11.00am: Ann Storey

Ministers of the Eucharist Saturday/Sunday May 13th & 14th

7.30pm: Bernadette O'Toole & Sebastian Kopijka

11.00am: Michael Gormley & Paddy Buggy

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday May 3rd. Jackpot Numbers:4:12:14:31:

No Jackpot winner. 9 Matched '3' - €112 each.

Next weeks Lotto Jackpot is: €11,000

No Mountmellick Winners.



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...

**Micheál Ennis, Derryguile,
Ian O'Shea, College Avenue,
Luca Donellan, Cloonagh,**

THE BALCONY CINEMA

will show " Juno" on Wednesday,

May 10th at 8.00pm. Adm: €5, all welcome.

MOUNTMELICK GAA - LOTTO

Jackpot No's: 1:6:22:27: €50 winner - Ann Ward

€25 x 2 winners - Angela Young, Mark Byrne

N/W Jackpot Pot: €10,000.

Bealtaine events at Mountmellick Library: Join us for adult colouring, adult art class, poetry circle or a cup of tea and a game of cards. Call us on 0578644572 for further information!

Mountmellick Employment Resource Community Employment Scheme have vacancies for Youth Worker, Administrator and environmental workers. Phone 0868362165 for details.

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.

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