Mountmellick Parish Newsletter 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday August 27th, 2023

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"But you, who do you say I am?"

Our readings focus on the way God looks on the lowly, the ones who need help. The Gospel encourages us to reflect on our own faith in Jesus. As we seek to answer truthfully Jesus's question about his identity, we may also ponder on

Peter, a simple fisherman, who is given the keys of the Kingdom and entrusted to build the Lord's church. In the First Reading, a lowly servant is also given keys. Eliakim is entrusted with authority and will become a father to the nations. The key of the house of David is on his shoulder. This week, like St Paul, we might also want to give glory to the Lord. Through our prayer we trust that God will help and empower the lowly and the needy, whether near at hand or further afield.

BACK TO SCHOOL: It's getting close to that time of the year again. As our schools reopen we wish them a fulfilling and exciting year ahead. Special good wishes to all the new Jnr. Infants starting 'big school' for the first time.





CONGRATULATIONS CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to the Leaving Cert Graduates of 2023. Every blessing and best wishes for all your future endeavours.

Friday Sept 1st: Next Friday is the 1st Friday of September. Mass in St. Joseph's Church at **10.00am** and in St. Mary's Clonaghadoo at **8.00pm**.

It's also 'World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation'. In his message for this World Day of Prayer, Pope Francis invites us to "the renewal of our relationship with creation so that we no longer see it as an object to be exploited but cherish it instead as a sacred gift from our Creator."





World Meeting of Families 2018

Celebrating the Fifth Anniversary

This week marks five years since Ireland hosted the 'World Meeting of Families' in Dublin, from 21 - 26 August 2018 (WMOF2018). This was a very significant celebration of family life in Ireland, attended by thousands including Pope Francis who has had the family at the heart of his pontificate over the past ten years. Pope Francis sees families as "God's dream for humanity".

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

1st Anniversary Mass: Kevin Carroll. Killeen, mass on Thursday August 31st at 7.30pm.

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

Peter Healion, Bridge Street, Sr. Rosarii Fennelly, Presentation Sisters, Bridge Street, Bridget Delaney, Four Roads, Michael Cullen, O'Moore Street, Larry McEvoy, formerly Patrick Street, Leo & Brigid Deffew, Emmet Street, Patrick & William Conroy, Chapel Street, Deirdre Lawlor, Parnell Street, Christy Ging, Irishtown, John Delaney, Derrycloney, Mary Ann Lawlor, Chapel Street, Esther Lawlor, Emmet Terrace, Ellen Quigley, Emmet Terrace, Julia Cahill, Twomey Terrace,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ Sunday September 2nd & 3rd: Patricia Donoher, The Rock, Tom & Lena Westman, Chapel Street, John & Philomena Delaney, Garrymore,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH Collections - Collections Saturday/Sunday August 19th & 20th. Envelopes: €1,035 Baskets: €630

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".

Ministers of the Word <u>Saturday/Sunday September 2nd & 3rd</u> 7.30pm: Fiona Walsh 11.00am: Vincent McEvoy

Ministers of the Eucharist <u>Saturday/Sunday September 2nd & 3rd</u>

7.30pm: Gillian Colgan & Anna Reddin 11.00am: Noreen Savage & Bernie Reddin

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...

Ava Gorry, Laught, Clonaghadoo Ciara Dalton, Geashill,

"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."

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING <u>Designated Liaison Person &</u> <u>Director of Safeguarding</u> Telephone: 085 8021633. Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie <u>Deputy DLP:</u> Telephone: 086 1710643 <u>Local Enquiries.</u> Parish Office @ 057 8624390. <u>CEMETERY MASS</u> Portnahinch Cemetery Mass. Next Sunday September 3rd 7.00p.m.

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 €30 per person). 2 places left 1 twin rooms. Contact: Eleanor @ 087 7670915 or Parish Office @ 057 8624390.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday August 23rd. Jackpot Numbers: 8:14:18:31: No Jackpot winner. 12 Matched '3' - €84 each. Next weeks Lotto Jackpot is: €17,000

Winner

Kathleen & Liam Dempsey Phil Hibbitts **Promoter**

Rene McEvoy Emmet Stores

THE BALCONY CINEMA

will show " Cool Runnings" on Wednesday, August 30th at 8.00 pm. Adm: \in 5.

CARER WANTED Carer wanted for elderly lady in her own home. Mountmellick area. Experience essential. Contact Chris on 085 2838508.

THANK YOU

A sincere <u>THANK YOU</u> for your support & contributions for Concern Church Gate collections last weekend $(19^{th}/20^{th} \text{ Aug})$. The amount collected is over $\notin 1,200$ (over $\notin 400$ in Clonaghadoo; & over $\notin 800$ in Mountmellick). Many thanks to all.

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.