# Mountmellick Parish Newsletter 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday September 3rd, 2023

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Amos 5: 24

Let Justice

and Peace Flow Season of Creation 2023

The Season of Creation runs from 1 Sept (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 Oct (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year.

This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer. We

give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home.

"Let Justice and Peace Flow" is theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. In his message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2023, Pope Francis encourages us to "live, work and pray that our common home will teem with life once again."

To notice and celebrate the season of creation reinforces our commitment to respect it. This can take many different forms. We can join campaigns to draw attention to the ways in which creation is disrespected. We can celebrate the beauty of creation and try to embody respect for it in our ordinary lives – in the way in which we travel, eat and sleep, for example, read, sow seeds, wrap and dispose of rubbish. The season of creation is a time to attend to our world, to celebrate its beauty and respect its delicacy, and to join others in coming to its defence.



"For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God".

Peter's journey of faith in today's Gospel reading earns him the severe disapproval of Jesus, who has started to speak openly of the shocking nature of his earthly destiny. Peter rejects the idea: his thoughts are human rather than those of God. Jesus

explains that being his disciple means being prepared to shoulder his cross: a metaphor for suffering for what we believe in. Jeremiah in the first reading shares remarkable insight into how costly his own prophetic mission is. He shares his profound struggles and suffering, as well as the intensity and depth of his relationship with God. This week, we pray for the grace to deepen our relationship with God. We ask for the human freedom to offer our whole being in loving service of Christ and the world.

"Motorist's" Prayer Grant me, O Lord, a steady hand and watchful eye. That no one shall be hurt as I pass by. You gave life, I pray no act of mine may take away or mar that gift of thine. Shelter those, dear Lord, who bear my company, from the evils of fire and all calamity. Teach me, to use my car for others need; nor miss through love of undue speed the beauty of the world; that thus I may with joy and courtesy go on my way. St. Christopher, holy patron of travellers, protect me and lead me safely to my destiny. Amen.

## **REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED** - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Mass: Catherine Kitty Dempsey, Forest House, Mass on Tuesday September 5th at 7.30pm.

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

Paschal Conroy, Davin Park, Mary Ann Turner, Harbour Street, Jo Byrne, Irishtown, Marie Coss, Twomey Park, Pearl Doody, Emmet Street, Alice Conroy, Emmet Terrace, Joan Kirwan, Davitt Road, Bridie Walsh, Railway View,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday September 9th & 10th: Noel Coss, Upper Forest, Maura Haverty, Irishtown, Catherine Dunne, Irishtown, Frank & Mary Wall, Derrycloney, Jack Curham, Lord Edward Street,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH **Collections - Collections** Saturday/Sunday August 26th & 27th. Envelopes: €1,155 Baskets: €755

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 Saturday/Sunday September 9th & 10th 7.30pm: Padraig O'Toole 11.00am: Sheelagh Coyle

Ministers of the Eucharist Saturday/Sunday September 9th & 10th 7.30pm: Bernadette O'Toole & Sebastian Kopijka 11.00am: Antoinette Makim & Paddy Buggy

## **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...

### **Emily Dunne, Avolia,** Leo Morrin. Emmet Terrace.

"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** Designated Liaison Person & Director of Safeguarding Telephone: 085 8021633. Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie Deputy DLP: Telephone: 086 1710643 Local Enquiries. Parish Office @ 057 8624390.

# **CEMETERY MASS**

Portnahinch Cemetery Mass. this 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. The bus will leave from St. Joseph's church at 10.30am on Tuesday (12th). Contact: Eleanor @ 087 7670915 or Parish Office @ 057 8624390.

## **MOUNTMELLICK PARISH LOTTO**

Wednesday August 30th. Jackpot Numbers: 3:7:23:27: No Jackpot winner. 35 Matched '3' - €29 each. Next weeks Lotto Jackpot is: €18,000

#### Winner

Gráinne Culliton Ann Conrov Sarah Lalor

**Promoter** C. Lindley

Parish Office C.U. Mountmellick

Parish Office The Parish Office will be closed next week Monday (Sep 4th) - Friday (8th) Open on Monday September 11th at 10.30am.

THE BALCONY CINEMA

will show " Ever After " on Wednesday, September 6th at 8.00pm. Adm: €5.

Were you watching the super performances of the Irish athletes competing in the World Athletics Championships in Budapest. Are you, or your children, interested in participating in athletics ? If you are, this is great news for you. We have some fun running events coming up in the next few weeks.

Email <u>mountmellickletsgetrunning@gmail.com</u> for more details.

## BINGO

this Sunday evening, begins at 8.00pm. Check!!



