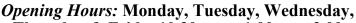
Mountmellick Parish Newsletter





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SEEK THE LORD! The generous love of the Lord is very close to us. The readings for this Sunday remind us that when we seek the Lord, we can be confident of receiving a warm, forgiving welcome – no matter who we are. The prophet Isaiah (1st Reading) invites us to seek and find the Lord who is near to us. When we do this, God will embrace us with a rich forgiveness. The parable of the workers in the vineyard (Gospel) presents an encouraging, if challenging, image of the generosity of God. We are invited to accept this generosity for ourselves and express it towards others. If this seems too hard for us to comprehend, we should take heart that the ways of the Lord are very different from our own ways. The words of Scripture reassure us that we need not worry,

for the Lord is near to us, ever present. Our God is full of compassion and forgiveness, willing us to seek him out. We pray that the whole Christian community will be inspired always to seek the Lord. Together as the body of Christ, we can transform the world with the justice and generosity of God.

CELEBRATING SACRAMENTS 2023/2024

1st Penance/Confession

Monday Feb 19th Scoil Phádraig 6.00pm Scoil Iósaif 6.000pm Wednesday Feb 21st The Rock 6.00pm Thursday Feb 22nd Clonaghadoo 6.00pm

Confirmation Confirmation

Saturday Mar 2nd Scoil Iósaif 11.00am

Scoil Phádraig 2.00pm

Saturday Mar 9th The Rock NS 11.00am

Clonaghadoo NS 2.00pm



First Holy Communion

Saturday May 11th Clonaghadoo NS 11.00am Saturday May 18th Scoil Phádraig 11.00am Scoil Iósaif

Saturday May 25th The Rock NS 11.00am



Harvest Thanksgiving Prayer: God of all, as we celebrate this season of thanksgiving we give thanks for the blessings of food, provision and nourishment. Please grow in us a harvest for the world. Come sow a seed of hope within our souls Lord, that we might yield goodness, patience and kindness in abundance. Sow a seed of peace in our

lives Lord, that we might bear the fruits of forgiveness, compassion and righteousness. Come sow a seed of love in our hearts Lord, that others would reap the blessings of family, friendship and community. Amen.



REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Mass: Kathleen Horan, Strahard, mass on Tuesday September 26th at 7.30pm.

<u>Ist Anniversary Masses:</u> Red Murphy, Harbour Street, Patrick (Paddy) Fitzpatrick, Graigue, mass on Thursday September 28th at 7.30p.m.

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

Mary O'Donnell, Ashgrove, Charles, Mary & Ted Flanagan, Lord Edward Street, Tony Coss, Kirwan Park, John Joe Fogarty, Acragar and his parents Mai & Andy Fogarty, Jim Brophy, Irishtown, Eamon Dowling, O'Moore Street, Catherine Bogan, Chapel Street, Ger Moss, Derrycloney, John Dunne, Forest Lane, Paddy Fitzpatrick, Graigue, Rita Conroy, Lord Edward Street, Eddie Parkinson, Wolfetone Court, Anthony Delaney, St. Joseph's Tce., Kathleen Lalor, Harbour Street, Catherine Flanagan, Parnell Street. Kathleen Ashford nee Lee, The Rock,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ Sunday September 30th & October 1st: Michael Murray, Graigue, Noel Delaney, Derryguile, Siobhan Kavanagh, Wolfetone Street & Coolbanagher.

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday September 16th & 17th.

Envelopes: €890 Baskets: €620

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 Sept 30th & Oct 1st

7.30pm: Bernadette Clear 11.00am: Bernie Reddin

Ministers of the Eucharist Saturday/Sunday Sept 30th & Oct 1st

7.30pm: Sr. Ann Walsh & Ger Rochford 11.00am: Noreen Savage & 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...

Mason Leonard, Wolfetone Street.

"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."

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MOUNTMELLICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday September 20th.
Jackpot Numbers: 11:16:17:25:
No Jackpot winner.
11 Matched '3' - €91 each.
Next weeks Lotto Jackpot is: €20,000

Winner Moira Scott Promoter
Carol Lindley

THE BALCONY CINEMA

will show "80 for Brady " on Wednesday, September 27th at 8.00pm. Adm: €5, includes a cuppa and a biscuit (or two).

MOUNTMELLICK GAA - LOTTO

Jackpot No's: 6:13:20:25:
Jackpot Winner - Amanda Hade.
€50 winner: Patricia Gormley.
€25 x 2 winners - Mick Lalor, Brian Reddin.
N/W Jackpot Pot: €1,000.

MOUNTMELLICK ATHLETICS

There has been a great response to the call to restart some athletics activity in the Mountmellick area. However we do need a few more parents to come on board.

Please email mountmellickletsgetrunning@gmail.com for more details.

"BINGO BINGO BINGO"

Mountmellick Community Arts Centre this Sunday evening at <u>8.00pm</u>. Check!!



Clonaghadoo PATH Support Group will accept donations of practical and non-perishable items for their work with homeless people across Dublin and the surrounding area. A basket, for donated items, is located inside the door of Clonaghadoo Church.

Further details: Annette @ 085 1018988, Ann @ 085 8427064, Dolores @ 087 6255735. Thank you.

Slimming World Mountmellick

Every Tuesday 6.30pm in the ICA House, Davitt Road, Mountmellick.

Portlaoise every Saturday morning 8am, 9.30am & 11am. Contact: Katie @ 085 7614129.