

## **Mountmellick Parish Newsletter**

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday October 15th, 2023**



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### **Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!**

We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms. How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced; how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered; how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.



Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say: "Never again war!"; "With war everything is lost". Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace.

Lord, God of Abraham, God of the Prophets, God of Love, you created us and you call us to live as brothers and sisters. Give us the strength daily to be instruments of peace; enable us to see everyone who crosses our path as our brother or sister. Make us sensitive to the plea of our citizens who entreat us to turn our weapons of war into implements of peace, our trepidation into confident trust, and our quarreling into forgiveness.

Keep alive within us the flame of hope, so that with patience and perseverance we may opt for dialogue and reconciliation. In this way may peace triumph at last, and may the words "division", "hatred" and "war" be banished from the heart of every man and woman. Lord, defuse the violence of our tongues and our hands. Renew our hearts and minds, so that the word which always brings us together will be "brother", and our way of life will always be that of: Shalom, Peace, Salaam!

Amen. *(Pope Francis).*

**October and World Mission Sunday (22<sup>nd</sup>)** is our time to show our appreciation for the work of overseas missionaries. The generosity offered will be used to support missionary activities in over 1,100 struggling dioceses: mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. You can help right now. Please donate €4.00 by texting the word 'Mission' to 50300. Alternatively donate at [www.missio.ie](http://www.missio.ie) or call Missio Ireland on 01 497 2035. To learn more, go to [www.missio.ie](http://www.missio.ie)



### **World Mental Health Month Promoting Mental Health, Wellbeing & Recovery.**

Lord Jesus may our families draw ever closer to you and to one another. *We lift up all families, particularly those with members facing mental health challenges. May family members help remove the stigma surrounding mental health challenges, both within their families and in their communities. Comfort, hold, lead to safety, and heal families affected by every form of trauma, mental health challenge, and mental illness. You know every family's specific situation, wounds and needs, and you can restore and make all things new. Lord, pour your grace into their hearts, minds, souls, and bodies, filling them with light and peace amid their suffering. Help all families, unite their suffering to your Passion and Death, mindful of the resurrection to new life to come. Amen.*  
*Holy Family of Nazareth, pray for us.*

## REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

**1st Anniversary Masses:** Julia Betty Weston, Clonaghadoo, mass this Sunday morning (Oct 15th) at 9.00am in Clonaghadoo Church. Margaret Joyce, Derrydavy, mass on Thursday October 19th at 7.30pm.

***For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered:***  
Lucy Walsh, Harbour Street, Leo Dunne, Derryguile, Joseph Byrne, Wolfetone Street, Edward Flanagan, Patrick Street, Edward Dempsey, Moneyquid, Delia Hanson, Ashgrove, George & Annmarie Webster, Chapel Street, Margaret Lalor, St. Joseph's Terrace, Sarah Burke, Derryguile,

*Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.*

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH

#### Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday Oct 7th & 8th.

Envelopes: €1,040

Baskets: €745

**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".



### The October Stations 2023

Many thanks to all who contribute very generously to the 'October Stations'. These contributions go towards the salaries of the priests, and we are very grateful for each one. Station Contribution Envelopes can be left in the usual church boxes or in the post-box at the office door anytime during the month. In appreciation of your kindness masses will be offered for you throughout October.

*Fr. Murphy, Fr. Dunphy.*

### Ministers of the Word

**Saturday/Sunday Oct 21st & 22nd**

**7.30pm:** Sr. Ann Walsh

**11.00am:** Vincent McEvoy

### Ministers of the Eucharist

**Saturday/Sunday Oct 21st & 22nd**

**7.30pm:** Gillian Colgan & Carol McAuley

**11.00am:** Mona Conroy & Paddy Buggy



### St. Joseph's Prayer Group

Leading Adoration & Prayer on Thursday evening after mass (8.00pm - 8.30pm) in St. Joseph's Church - **all welcome.**

Rosary. Divine Mercy Chaplet.  
Silent Adoration.

### 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...

**Daithí Donoher, Portlaoise,  
Oisín Bell, Dublin**

"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."

### THE BALCONY CINEMA

will show "**The Farewell**" on Wednesday, October 18th at 8.00pm. Adm: €5, includes a cuppa and a biscuit (or two).

### Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person &

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### OCTOBER ROSARY

Praying of the Rosary every Sunday evening for the month of October at 7.00pm in St. Joseph Church. All welcome.



The Rosary will be recited in Castlebrack Cemetery every Sunday evening at 4.00pm (please note change of time) for the month of October.

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday October 11th.

Jackpot Numbers: 2:14:16:26:

No Jackpot:

12 Matched '3' - €84 each.

Next weeks Lotto Jackpot is: €11,000

#### Winner

Jenny, Rob, Fran, Lenore, Steve.  
Kathleen Burke

#### Promoter

Frances Hibbitts  
Kathleen Burke

### Parish Lotto Arrears

Thank you for your support of our Parish Lotto. Every week lotto promoters and players contribute generously to our Parish Finances, and I appreciate all of them. On occasion however arrears on some accounts do build up which, long-term, we are unable to keep carrying. Please contact the Parish Office if you want to enquire about your account balance and we can bring you up to date with where it is at the moment. *Many thanks, Fr. Murphy*