

Mountmellick Parish Newsletter 6th Sunday of Easter Sunday May 5th, 2024

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'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love.'

Today's readings centre on the theme of love: the totally faithful, unconditional love of God for us. The 1st Reading describes a turning point in the growth of the Early Church. Peter visits the house of Cornelius, a Roman centurion and Gentile, announcing that 'God does not have favourites'. God reaches out to those who listen through the Holy Spirit. God creates a community of love that embraces all humanity. The Gospel shows us Jesus teaching his disciples about his loving relationship with his Father. Jesus

chooses and invites us into that same intimate relationship. He tells us how to follow him: that we should love one another. As we approach the end of the Easter season, we pray for the grace that we ourselves might reflect the gift of God's love, through our actions to our brothers and sisters, and to all creation. We also give thanks for the love of our friends, and for the joy that they bring to our lives.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Every good wish to the girls and boys from 2nd class in Clonaghadoo Manual School who will celebrate their First Holy Communion next Saturday (11th). Many thanks to all who have helped with the preparations for this special day.

Queen of the May

Bring flowers of the fairest, bring flowers of the rarest, 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.

March For Life 2024

The 'March for Life' is organised by the Pro Life Campaign. Shining a spotlight on Ireland's abortion law, calling for positive supports for mothers and fostering a culture of life this year's march will take place in Dublin from St. Stephen's Green To Leinster House on Bank Holiday Monday, 6th May, 2:00pm. 2024 - Let's Make A Difference Together.



REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind: Ned Mahon, Derryguile, mass on Tuesday May 7th at 7.30pm.

Ist anniversary: Sr. Elizabeth Delaney, mass on Thursday May 9th at 7.30pm.

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Seamus Marron, Lord Edward St., George Webster, Chapel St., Michael & Margaret Conlon, Derryguile, Edward Payne, Emmet St., Margaret Fitzgibbon, The Rock, Mícheál Cullen, Mountmellick & Kilteale,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ Sunday May 11th & 12th: Martin Mulhall, Emmet Tce., Frances Davis, Harbour St., Noel Storey, Derryguile,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH **Collections - Collections** Saturday/Sunday April 27th & 28th

Envelopes: €1,020 Baskets: €1,230 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".

Kildare & Leighlin Pilgrimage Day in Knock, June 2nd.

Join Bishop Nulty and the Kildare and Leighlin family in Knock on June 2nd. Names now been taken call to the parish office or phone 057 8624390 (seat €20). Bus leaving Mountmellick at 8.30am. 2.30pm - Ceremonies begin in the Basilica with the Anointing of the Sick. 3.00pm - Pilgrimage Mass, followed by Rosary Procession and concluding with Benediction. Ceremonies are usually concluded by 5.00pm.

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... Rían Grennan Flannery, Bayview, Seán Healion, Davitt Road,

"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 - Ailish Higgins. Telephone: 085 8021633. Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie Deputy DLP: Telephone: 086 1710643 Local Enquiries. Parish Office @ 057 8624390.

Ministers of the Word Saturday/Sunday May 11th & 12th 7.30pm: Ann Conroy 11.00am: Vincent McEvoy

Ministers of the Eucharist Saturday/Sunday May 11th & 12th 7.30pm: Sebastian Kopijka & Oliver Ging 11.00am: Michael Gormley & Ellen Coss

LOURDES 2024 PILGRIMAGE

Mountmellick, Ballyfin, Mountrath. 30th July, 2024 for 7 nights. €995 (plus travel insurance) per person sharing.

Full payment requested by July 17th.

For information contact Fr. Murphy @ 057 8679302.

MAY ROSARY

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



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

MOUNTMELLICK PUBLIC ROSARY RALLY Mountmellick Rosary Rally Group will hold their first public rosary next Saturday May 11th at 4.00pm in O'Connell Square, Mountmellick. All are welcome to attend. Please join us in prayer for the conversion of Ireland. For further information contact John @ 086 3962515.

MOUNTMELLICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday May 1st. Jackpot Numbers:11:25:26:28: No Jackpot winner: 5 Matched '3' - €200 each. Next weeks Jackpot is: €17,000. No Mountmellick Winners.

THE BALCONY CINEMA

Will show "Manon of the Spring" on Wednesday May 8th at 8.00pm. Adm: €5, includes a cuppa.

<u>PARISH OFFICE:</u> Please note the Parish Office will be closed from May 15^{th} to 21^{st} . Notices, anniversaries etc for the May 19th newsletter should be left in in good time please. Many thanks.