



Mountmellick Parish
Newsletter
2nd Sunday of Easter
April 27th 2025



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The Synodal
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communion participation
mission

**Jubilee Year
Of Hope 2025**



REMEMBERING POPE FRANCIS

Pope Francis was born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on December 17, 1936, in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He felt the call of God and was ordained a Jesuit priest on December 13, 1969. He was elected pope on March 13, 2013. In Rome, Pope Francis, or Francisco, was known as il Papa, which means Father. The pope is the Bishop of Rome and the leader of the worldwide Catholic

Church. In his time as pope, Francis shared a vision of Church that emphasizes hope, mercy, and care for each other. Pope Francis was the first Jesuit pope. He entered eternal life on Monday last, April 21, 2025.

We entrust Pope Francis to God's mercy and continue to pray for the Church as she prepares to elect a new Successor of St. Peter: Heavenly God, we commend to Your mercy our Holy Father, Pope Francis. May he enter into the eternal joy prepared for those who love You. Through Christ our Lord.

Divine Mercy Sunday



Divine
Mercy Sunday

This 2nd Sunday of Easter celebrates "Divine Mercy Sunday". St. Faustina Kowalska, worked throughout her life to make everyone aware of the merciful love of God. Born and raised in Poland she followed a vocation to religious life. St. Faustina heard a call from God to make God's mercy known to the world so that the world may more fully receive God's healing grace. St. Faustina promoted the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Devotions in Honour of the Divine Mercy this Sunday 27th April at 3.00pm in St. Joseph's Church. The Image of St. Faustina and her Relic will be available at this service for Veneration.



First Holy Communion Dates.

May 17th, 11.00am, Scoil Phádraig Naofa - 11.00am Clonaghadoo NS.

May 24th, 11.00am Scoil Iósaif Naofa, 11.00am - 2.00pm The Rock NS.



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.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

1st Anniversary Mass: Baby Freya Delaney Bolger, Kildangan, mass on Thursday May 1st at 7.30pm.

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Kathleen Hickey, Emmet St., Ellen Dunne, Harbour St., Gregory Murray, Graigue, Liam & Una Brophy, Bay Road, John & Eileen Deffew, Emmet St., William, Elizabeth & Edith Deffew, O'Moore St., Mary Williams, Parnell St., Patrick, Kathleen & Grace McGarr, Hill 60, Frances Feely, Ashgrove, Oliver J. Flanagan, Irishtown, Andre Utter, Michael O'Connell, Castlebrack, Margaret Chambers, Emmet Tce., Alice McCann, Tommy & Vera Mullins, Geashill, Matthew Corcoran, Clonmoylan, Brianna Cooper, Pattison Est., Michael Dunne, Connolly St., Pat Delaney, Upper Forest,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ May 3rd & 4th: Jenny McGlynn, Twomey Tce., Paddy Lee, Bay Road, Bernadette O'Rourke, Acragar,
Sunday Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday 19th & 20th April
Baskets: €1,005 Envelopes: €1,330
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".

LOURDES 2025 PILGRIMAGE

Mountmellick, Ballyfin, Mountrath.

1st July, 2025 for 6 nights.

€1,000 (plus travel insurance) per person sharing.

Only 2 places left. Intending pilgrims should make contact without delay to book their place.

For details contact Eleanor @ 087-7670915.



Friday May 2nd

First Friday.

Masses: 10am Parish Church & 8.00pm Clonaghadoo.

PIETA DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

Portlaoise Official 5km Walk in aid of Pieta will take place on **Saturday May 10th at 4.15am.**, from Irish Prison Service College, Dublin Road, Portlaoise. Register today @ darknessintolight.ie

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person &

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New Child Safeguarding Policy 2024

"A Safe and Welcoming Church – Safeguarding Children Policy and Standards for the Catholic Church in Ireland, 2024". www.safeguarding.ie

Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday May 3rd/4th

Sat. 7.30pm - Sr. Ann Walsh

Sun. 11.00am - Sheelagh Coyle

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday May 3rd/4th

Sat. 7.30pm - Gillian Colgan & Fiona Walsh

Sun. 11.00am - Antoinette Makim & Pascal Hanrahan

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday April 23rd 2025

Jackpot Numbers: 22:23:24:28:

No Jackpot winner:

4 Matched '3' - €250 each.

Next Weeks Jackpot is: €16,000

No Mountmellick Winner

MOUNTMELICK PUBLIC ROSARY

Our next monthly public Rosary will be on Saturday May 3rd at 4.00pm in O'Connell Square, Mountmellick.

All are welcome to join us in prayer.

MARCH FOR LIFE May 5th: The March For Life organised by the Pro-Life Campaign takes place on Monday, 5th May in Dublin at 2pm (Meeting point: St Stephen's Green). It is being held to draw attention to the rapidly increasing abortion rates in Ireland and call for support for pregnant women and their babies. The event will be suitable for families and have excellent speakers. For more information including on buses travelling to Dublin see www.marchforlife.ie

Fundraiser for Neurosurgery Dept in Beaumont Hospital

Coffee Morning/Cake Sale in aid of the above in the Macra Hall, Patrick Street, Mountmellick on Saturday May 3rd from 10am to 3pm. Cakes, Buns, Tarts, Bread and more for sale. Raffle for gorgeous hamper and lots of other prizes. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

THE BALCONY CINEMA

Presents "Legends of the Fall" at 8.00pm. on Wednesday April 30th.

"BINGO BINGO BINGO"

Mountmellick Community Arts Centre
this Sunday evening at **8.00pm. Check!!**