



Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20th 2025



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The Synodal
Pathway
*communion participation
mission*

**Jubilee Year
Of Hope 2025**

JESUS OUR GUEST. This week's readings highlight the qualities that help nourish our relationship with God and with one another: openness, hospitality and joy. In the first reading Abraham recognises God in the three who appear at the door of his tent. He eagerly invites God to be a dinner guest with him and his wife, Sarah, as they set about preparing a fine feast. The passage reminds us to respond to God's constant invitation to welcome him into our lives through the various people we encounter, so that we may receive the many blessings he has to offer. In the Gospel, Jesus visits his good friends, Martha and Mary. Jesus gently encourages Martha to be more present in the moment, not allowing her endless 'to do' list to keep her from developing her relationship with God and with others. Today we pray that we will truly see and be open to receiving God in every living moment. We ask that our everyday decisions and behaviour are always guided by the desire to draw closer to God.



CEMETERY SUNDAY, ACRAGAR.

St. Joseph's Cemetery, Acragar, this Sunday, July 20th at 1.00pm. Please follow the instructions and directions of the stewards.
All welcome.



World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly 2025 National Pilgrimage to Knock - "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" next Sunday 27th July. Anointings at 2.30pm. Mass 3.00pm. Special guest Dana Rosemary Scallon. St. Joachim and St. Anne pray for us. www.knockshrine.ie



Summer Prayer Long warm days...The pace of life slows...A time for picnics and rest in the shade... Lord, help me to rest awhile in the cooling shade of your presence. Slow down my restless heart and fill me with gentle compassion for all your people. Amen....

REEK SUNDAY: All welcome to celebrate 'Hope' on Ireland's holy mountain of Croagh Patrick. Next Sunday is 'Reek Sunday' and thousands of pilgrims of all ages are expected to scale Ireland's 'Holy Mountain', Croagh Patrick. The theme of Reek Sunday 2025 is 'Christian Hope', and this annual pilgrimage will continue the 1,600 year-old tradition of people scaling Croagh Patrick to gather as a community of faith, to pray and participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), and the Sacrament of the Eucharist (Mass) at the summit.

St Columbanus' Vision and Legacy Celebrated in Kildare and Leighlin.

Pope Leo sent his "heartfelt good wishes" to Bishop Nulty and all participants taking part in last week's 'XXVI Columbanus Weekend'. In a message from Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Secretary of State on behalf of the Pontiff, Pope Leo said: "In a particular way St Columban, speaking across the centuries, can still teach our world today about how love for God and neighbour requires us to care for creation and to cultivate our souls in the theological virtues, for every aspect of our world reflects in some way the grandeur and goodness of its divine maker." Following the successful conclusion of the event, which drew pilgrims from Italy, France, Switzerland and Austria as well as from across the island of Ireland, Bishop Nulty wrote: "Columbanus should be embraced today as the saint who can bring us back to the sacredness of creation and humanity".

WEB-CAM, STREAMING – We've been having some technical difficulties with our webcam streaming service from the Parish Church for the last few days and apologise for any inconvenience caused. We're making every effort to resolve the difficulties and return normal service to you as soon as possible.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered:
Evelyn McEvoy nee Dunne, Garoon, Teresa & Daniel O'Mahony, Emmet Road, David Goode, Acragar, Sean Horan, Irishtown, Margaret Corcoran, Clonmoylan, Tom Forde, Acragar, Seamus Healion, O'Moore St., Lil Quigley, Emmet Tce., Brian Burke, Harbour St., Ambrose Hanson, Ashgrove, Padraig Scully, Lord Edward St., Harry Coss, Drinagh, Sadie Delaney, Derrycloney, Joe & Rita Culliton, Castlebrack, Patrick Sexton, Town Parks, Ben Connolly, Connolly St.

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ July 26th & 27th: Sean Delaney, Garoon,

Sunday Masses in St. Joseph's Church available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday July 12th & 13th
Baskets: €695 Envelopes: €1,240

THANK YOU

DONATE ONLINE

You can make your donation to support the parish via (1) the 'Donate' button on our Parish Website



(www.mountmellickparish.ie), (2) our 'Tap-to-Donate' units (inside the main door) or (3) by using our dedicated 'QR Code' below.

CHEQUES CHEQUES

Please make all cheques for the parish payable to "Mountmellick Parish No 1 Account".

CELEBRATING BAPTISM

please make sure we have your "Baptism Registration Form" on file in the Parish Office.



Welcome to our newly baptised...

Oisín Ryan, Grange Hall,

Joseph McDonagh, Irishtown.

"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."

Cemetery Mass

Ivy Cemetery Annual Mass - Monday August 4th - 7.30pm.

Sunday Evening Devotions

here, in our Parish Church, at 6.30pm this Sunday evenings. All welcome.



Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person & Director of Safeguarding - Ailish Higgins.

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Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday July 26th/27th

Sat. 7.30pm - Sr. Ann Walsh

Sun. 11.00am - Sheelagh Coyle

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday July 26th/27th

Sat. 7.30pm - Bernadette Clear & Anna Reddin

Sun. 11.00am - Antoinette Makim & Paddy Buggy

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday July 16th 2025

Jackpot Numbers: 1:9:11:12:

No Jackpot winner.

18 Matched '3' - €56 each.

Next Weeks Jackpot is: €19,000

Winner

Niamh Cullen

Promoter

The Hair Shop

MISSION ALIVE

Thanks to all the bakers who arrived with scones, tarts, cakes etc. and others who brought raffle prizes for the Mission Alive Annual cake sale and coffee morning. Thanks to all who came to buy the confectionery and to buy tickets for the raffle on July 11th. We acknowledge too the many cash donations made to us by individuals. We collected €2,000 which has been sent this week by the two assistant treasurers to Sr. Paula the director of the Orphan Project in Lusaka in Zambia. The committee is very grateful to the ICA Committee for the use of their premises on Davitt Road.

BALCONY CINEMA

Presents "**No Hard Feelings**" at 8.00pm. on Wednesday July 23rd. Adm: €5, includes a cuppa and a biscuits.

BINGO

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

We're hiring a Housekeeper

We are looking for a reliable and hardworking person to join our team! 10-15 hrs/week, mostly mornings (9am-2pm) Mountmellick. Experience preferred, but training provided. Must be flexible with hours some weekend/holiday shifts may apply. Duties include cleaning, laundry, and guest support. Great team, flexible hours, and a supportive environment! Email your CV to eugene.conroy143@gmail.com