

## Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 7th 2025

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## TRUE DISCIPLESHIP

The readings this week are all about allowing God's love to guide every aspect of our lives. By turning to God for guidance, God will always keep us on the right path. The First Reading shows the gulf between God's ways and the ways of the world. We are reminded of the importance of staying connected to God's will and wisdom and encouraged that this will be revealed to us through the Holy Spirit. In the Gospel, Jesus highlights to his followers that the path of the Lord is not without suffering or sacrifice. It requires patience and courage, and an ability to put God's love above all things. May we all be inspired and encouraged to take responsibility for understanding, upholding and sharing our Christian mission. "O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next".

Jesus, you call us to follow you not with words alone, but with our whole lives. Help us to stand for justice when it's hard and to walk beside those who are hurting.

Teach us to love with courage and sacrifice. Amen.

## A saint for our day and every day!

This Sunday morning, in St. Peter's Sq. in Rome, Pope Leo will preside over the canonization ceremony of **Blessed Carlo Acutis** (1991–2006) and **Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati** (1901–1925). He will enrol among the number of the saints these two young men from different eras who led completely different lives, but who are nonetheless united in their love for Christ and their ability to impart that love to those whose lives they touched. Carlo Acutis was born in London to Italian parents in 1991. He died aged 15 of leukaemia in October 2006. Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati died at the age of 24 in 1925, is beloved by many Catholic young people today for his enthusiastic witness to holiness that reaches "to the heights." The young man from the northern Italian city of Turin was an avid mountaineer and third order Dominican known for his charitable outreach. But it's the <u>first Catholic saint of the millennial generation</u>, **Carlo Acutis**, who developed websites that documented Eucharistic miracles and Marian apparitions and is widely regarded as a role model for young people in the Church that claims most attention. He is being celebrated for his devotion to the Eucharist and his use of technology to promote the Catholic faith. Archbishop of Westminster Cardinal Vincent Nichols described him as "joyful, courageous, generous" and "a saint for our day and every day".

# Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin Liturgy Conference 'It is Good for us to be Here' (Mark 9:5)

All are welcome for a day of personal enrichment as we explore many aspects of the celebration of Mass and liturgy in our parishes - taking place in the Cathedral of the Assumption and Carlow College on Saturday, 20th September. We start with registration in Carlow College from 9-9:30am, Morning Prayer in the Cathedral at 9:30am followed by a day of keynote speakers and workshops, concluding at 5 pm. Look out for the poster in the church or go to <a href="www.kandle.ie/LiturgyConference">www.kandle.ie/LiturgyConference</a> for more details. Booking is now open on <a href="kandle.ie">kandle.ie</a> and workshops will fill on a first come basis.

## REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

<u>Month's Mind Mass:</u> Tom Deegan, Harbour Street, mass on Tuesday September 9th at 7.30pm. <u>Ist Anniversary Mass:</u> Kurt Lawlor, Emmet Street, mass on Thursday September 11th at 7.30pm.

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Tom & Lena Westman, Chapel St., Mary Ann Turner, Harbour St., Maura Haverty, Irishtown, Catherine Dunne, Mary & Joseph Conroy, Stephen Sheil, Patterson Est., Patrick O'Connell, Bristol, Richard McCann, Pearl Doody, Emmet St., Joan Kirwan, Davitt Road, Ellen & Paddy Dempsey, Emmet Tce.,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ Sunday September 13th & 14th: Martha Flanagan. Rosenallis, Bill Geoghegan, Davitt Road,

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

## MOUNTMELLICK PARISH

#### **Collections - Collections**

Saturday/Sunday August 30th & 31st Baskets: €715 Envelopes: €1,310 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' on the left.

## **CHEQUES CHEQUES**

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

MANY THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

## \*\* KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN \*\* APPOINTMENTS 2025

On Friday Bishop Nulty announced the clerical changes for 2025.

Details on www.kandle.ie

Monthly Prayer Intention for September: For our relationship with all of creation: Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

## Wedding Congratulations to ....

Recently married, Aine Delaney and Nikoloj Thuesen. May the Lord keep them forever in fidelity and love. Amen.



## **Sunday Evening Devotions**

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



## Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

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www.safeguarding.ie

## Ministers of the Word Saturday/Sunday September 13th & 14th

Sat. 7.30pm - Ann Conroy Sun. 11.00am - Sheelagh Coyle

## Ministers of the Eucharist Saturday/Sunday September 13th & 14th

Sat. 7.30pm - Sebastian Kopijka & Orla Ambroziak Sun. 11.00am - Mona Conroy & Pascal Hanrahan

## Jubilee Year of Hope -Parish Pilgrimage to Knock.

The bus will leave from St. Joseph's Parish Church on Monday morning (8th Sept) at 8.30am.

#### MOUNTMELLICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday September 3rd 2025
Jackpot Numbers: 7:27:28:30:
No Jackpot winner.
12 Matched '3' - €84 each.
Next Weeks Jackpot is: €20,000

## Winner

Promoter
No Mountmellick Winner

#### **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

takes place Oct 1st-31st. For further information, please log onto <a href="https://www.breastcancerireland.com">www.breastcancerireland.com</a>.

### **BALCONY CINEMA**

Presents "The Penguin Lessons" at 8.00pm. on Wednesday September 10th. Adm: €5, includes a cuppa and biscuits.

## **BINGO - BINGO**

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

### **BOOK LAUNCH**

Ger Healion will be launching his book 'On a Bog by the Land near a River' in Mountmellick Library on Tuesday, 30th September 2025 at 7:00pm. Copies of the book will be on sale at the launch. The book is of particular interest to locals and is reflective of his time growing-up and living in Mountmellick in the 60s, 70s and 80s. It is full of local stories and characters, that will relate, more widely, to 'small-town Ireland' from that period.

#### FOR SALE

Car for sale. 162 Mazda 6, 2.2 Turbo Diesel. 83,500 km.

Contact: John @ 087 2528608.