



Mountmellick Parish Newsletter

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 14th 2025

**2025
Jubilee
Year of**

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Opening Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday & Friday 10.30am to 1.00pm - 3.00pm to 4.30pm.

**The Synodal
Pathway**
**communion participation
mission**

**Jubilee Year
Of Hope 2025**



**PEACE
WITH CREATION**
SEASON OF CREATION 2025

This year's Season of Creation, Sept 1st - Oct 4th, has as its theme "Peace with Creation", inspired by the passage from Isaiah 32:14-18; "My people will abide in a peaceful habitation, in secure dwellings, and in quiet resting places." Each year the Christian family unites for this

worldwide celebration of prayer and action to protect our common home. How are we adjusting our behaviours to the challenges posed by the threats to our common home: climate change; issues around quality and access to safe drinkable water; loss of biodiversity; decline in the quality of human life including the breakdown of society and global inequality. All these threats pose a challenge to peace. In a world of challenges and division, marked by war and climate change, how can we as people of faith create and work towards peace with creation? Every one of us has a part to play.

For this year's resources see <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/season-of-creation-2025/>

Why Sunday Matters

Sunday Mass creates and celebrates **Communion**. Sunday Mass is a vital encounter with the risen Lord, the One who gives our lives ultimate meaning and purpose. On Sundays, we gather not only as individuals but as the Church, the Body of Christ. In the celebration of the Eucharist, we affirm our communion with one another and with Christ.

The Word of the Lord
Have you read the
front-page reflection for
today?

**What does it mean for you to have a
real encounter with Jesus in
the Mass?**
What could it mean?

A Prayer for Hope and Peace

Heavenly Father, I am your humble servant, I come before you today in need of hope.
I need hope for a calm and joyful future. I need hope for love and kindness.
I pray for peace and safety. Some say that the sky is at its darkest just before the light.
I pray that this is true, for today seems stormy and dim.
I need your light, Lord, in every way. I pray to be filled with your light.
Help me to walk in your light and live my life in faith and service.
In your name I pray, Amen.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Masses: Tommy Coss, Bay Road, Margaret Hyland, Emmet St., mass on Tuesday September 16th at 7.30pm.

1st Anniversary Masses: Helen Moloney, Irishtown, Billy Peake, O'Moore St., mass on Thursday September 18th at 7.30pm.

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Noel Coss, Upper Forest, Pat O'Toole, Davin Park, Jack Curham, Lord Edward St., Frank & Mary Wall, Derrycloney, Annette O'Neill, Twomey Park, Sr. Assunta Healion, Mountmellick & London, James Gorman, Emmet St., Pappu, Theresa & Stephen, Cherie Bennett, Parnell St., Marian & Bill Keane, Harbour St. & Killarney, Kathleen Lalor, Harbour St., Thomas Daly, Twomey Park, Liam A. Scott,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday September 20th & 21st: Christina & Anthony Reddin, Harbour St., Thomas Dowling, Killeen, Thomas Dempsey, Clonterry,

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday 8th & 9th September

Baskets: €590 Envelopes: €765

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

CELEBRATING BAPTISM

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

Welcome to our newly baptised...

Caoimhe Gorman, Ashgrove.

"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."

Wedding Congratulations to

Teresa Phelan & Conor Flynn who were married in St. Mary's Church, Clonaghadoo on Friday 12th September. 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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Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday September 20th & 21st

Sat. 7.30pm - Fiona Walsh

Sun. 11.00am - Vincent McEvoy

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday September 20th & 21st

Sat. 7.30pm - Sr. Ann Walsh & Carol McAuley

Sun. 11.00am - Ellen Coss & Mary Walsh

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday September 10th 2025

Jackpot Numbers: 14:20:22:25:

No Jackpot winner.

11 Matched '3' - €91 each.

Next Weeks Jackpot is: €20,000

Winner

Promoter

No Mountmellick Winner

BALCONY CINEMA

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

INVITATION TO CULTURE NIGHT

Mountmellick Arts Centre, Friday Sept 19th 8pm.

Emer Dunne & Band - Irish, Scottish and American folk songs & music with musicians Eamonn Moran & Shane Meehan. Doors 7.45pm and Show 8pm. **Admission Free.** **To register interest contact 0863758602.**

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS

Open Meeting - all are welcome. Tuesday September 30th at 8.00pm in Portlaoise Parish Centre. "The First Step towards recovery is reaching out". No cost. No pressure. Just support. Contact: Tom @ 083 0044540 or Joe @ 087 2500. www.gamblersanonymous.ie

PATH

Clonaghadoo PATH Support Group will accept donations of practical and non-perishable items for their work with homeless people across Dublin and the surrounding area. A basket, for donated items, is located inside the door of Clonaghadoo Church (Tayto, Pot Noodles, Sweets, Wipes and Socks) would be greatly appreciated). Our collection is next Sunday Sept 21st. Further details: Annette @ 085 1018988, Ann @ 085 8427064, Dolores @ 087 6255735.