



Paróiste Móinteach Mílíc
Nuachtlitir

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st June 2026

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Message from Pope Leo XIV on the “Day for Life” .

His Holiness Pope Leo XIV sends prayerful good wishes to those participating in the 2026 Day for Life to be celebrated by the Bishops’ Conferences of England and Wales, Scotland, and Ireland. His Holiness was pleased to learn of the theme chosen for this year, focused on the wonder of the full humanity of the child in the womb, as well as of your efforts to support mothers and fathers who have suffered the loss of an infant. Indeed, as he recently reminded us in the Encyclical Magnifica Humanitas, from the very moment of conception every human being is endowed with an infinite dignity “simply by virtue of existing, of having been willed, created and loved by God” (No 52). This divine love fills the life of every person with meaning, and, far from ending with death, invites us to a new fullness in eternity. His Holiness prays that all parents grieving the loss of a child, especially an infant, may find comfort and peace in the knowledge of God’s love for them and for their child, “for to him all of them are alive” (Lk 20:38). It is likewise his hope that these parents find the support they need in the Church community and especially in a life nourished by prayer and by the Sacraments. In thanking you for your continued commitment to bear witness to the marvellous gift of life in all its grandeur and inherent dignity, the Holy Father assures all taking part of his prayerful closeness and cordially imparts his Apostolic Blessing as a pledge of comfort, strength and peace in Christ. *Cardinal Pietro Parolin Secretary of State*

We pray for those who actively promote and support respect for life through different initiatives across Ireland: may they see the fruits of their work in an ever-growing sense of the dignity of every human being from conception to natural death and in an increasing trust in the wisdom of God who is our one true hope.



In today’s Gospel piece, Jesus instructs his disciples to ‘have no fear’. He boldly reassures them that nothing in this world can kill the love that comes from God. God has intimate knowledge of all our needs and will never abandon us. In these times of painful and enduring global conflict, we take strength from God’s promise that he will deliver light and peace.



School Holidays: Our local primary schools begin their summer holidays later this week. Here’s hoping the coming weeks will be full of fun, enjoyment and good weather! Thanks to all Principals and staff members, Board of Management members and Parents Council members who all make an invaluable contribution to the general wellbeing of the pupils and the life of the schools. But thanks especially to the pupils who have made the school year very happy and fulfilling. Have a great break!

National Synodal Pathway Update. Preparations are continuing for the Catholic Church’s National Synodal Assembly, which will take place next October. Working groups from across the country are reflecting on the key priorities identified through the synodal process and helping to shape the next stage of the Church’s journey in Ireland. To learn more and view the latest video update from Fr. Declan Hurley, Chairperson of the National Synodal Pathway, and Patricia Carroll, member of the National Synodal Pathway please follow the link provided; <https://theway.ie/the-irish-synodal-pathway-progress-and-purpose/>



REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

1st Anniversary Mass: Michael Burke, Derryguile, mass on Thursday June 25th at 7.30pm.

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Thomas & Billy Hayes, Derrycloney, Seamus Connolly, Ashgrove, Catherine Comerford, Manor Lane, Tom Westman, Connolly St., Michael & Ned Conroy, Derryguile, John & Ann Lynch, Portlaoise, Jim & Pat Kearns, Briar Lane, Tommy & Maureen Smith, Lord Edward St., Ann Darcy, Sarsfield St., Tim & Eileen O'Connor, Coolagh, Alice Feery, Pattison Est., Anthony Fennelly, Emmet St., John Reddin, Brittas, Matthew Byrne, Wolfetone St., Patrick & Bridget Hennessy, Lord Edward St., Liam & Carmel Hibbitts, New Road, William Buggy, The Commons, James Chambers, Emmet Tce.,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ June 27th & 28th: Nigel Bennett, The Commons, Frances Kavanagh, Wolfetone St., Tony Dempsey, The Rock, Maureen McEvoy, Emmet St.,

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday June 13th & 14th

Baskets: €745 Envelopes: €900



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

CEMETERY MASSES 2026

Clonaghadoo Cemetery, Sunday July 5th at 1.00pm
(Please note there will be no 9.00am mass in Clonaghadoo that Sunday morning).

St. Joseph's Cemetery, Acragar - Sunday July 19th at 1.00pm.

Ivy Cemetery - Monday August 3rd at 7.30pm.

Graigue Cemetery - Friday August 21st at 7.00pm.

CELEBRATING BAPTISM

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



Welcome to our newly baptised

Kairi Marie Carroll Bracken, Kirwan Park.

Grace Lily Taylor, Cappanlug, Geashill.

"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

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Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday June 27th & 28th

Sat. 7.30pm - Michael Feely

Sun. 11.00am - Vincent McEvoy

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday June 27th & 28th

Sat. 7.30pm - Ger Rochford & Carol McAuley

Sun. 11.00am - Bernie Reddin & Paddy Buggy

Pope Leo's June Prayer Intention

Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures, and nations, and that they promote such values as respect, solidarity and personal growth.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday June 17th 2026

Jackpot Numbers: 5:7:14:26:

No Jackpot Winner.

23 Matched '3' - €44 each.

N/Week's Jackpot is €20,000

Winner

Ann Delaney

Promoter

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MISSION ALIVE

The annual Mission Alive Cake Sale and Coffee Morning will be held in the ICA Hall on Friday June 26th at 10.30am. There will be a great selection of freshly baked confectionery on sale. Tea and coffee will be served too. A raffle will be held and any donations of prizes are welcome. Confectionery can be handed in on the morning of sale. Proceeds of sale will go directly to the orphan project in Lusaka in Zambia.

BALCONY CINEMA presents "Nuremburg" at 8.00pm. on Wed June 24th. Adm: €5.

Our New Exhibition area will also now be open to the public throughout June from 11am to 2pm Monday to Thursday and from 11am to 1pm on Fridays with an additional slot from 7pm to 9pm in the evening

Young girl available for child minding, (Just finished Transition Year in MM Community School). Contact: 083 0165431.