



Paróiste Móinteach Mílic
Nuachtlitir

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9th August 2026

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Promoting faith in
a lively and
challenging way.



TAKE HEART, IT IS I, DO NOT BE AFRAID.

In our readings this week, we witness the full range of the earth's natural order: the mountains, the wind, the sea, an earthquake and fire. Through all the upheaval and suffering that life may bring, we are reminded of God's ever-loving presence.

In the first reading, a solitary Elijah is invited to go to the mountain to pray.

God is revealed to Elijah not in the dramatic events he witnesses, but in a gentle, low whisper.

The Gospel retells another dramatic encounter with the earth's elements: this time the disciples are caught aboard their boat in a storm. Consumed by fear, it takes some time for them to recognise Jesus and accept his saving help. May we be confident of the enduring presence of our Lord as we navigate our own stormy waters. We need only reach out to him.



Sat. August 15th The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

At the end of her earthly life, Mary was assumed, or taken up, into heaven body and soul. God granted her this special privilege because of her sinlessness and her fullness of grace. On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII focused the attention of the whole world on the Assumption of Mary as a dogma and mystery of our faith. This mystery shows us that God wants every human person, body and soul, to be in glory forever, just as Mary is now.

***** Mass for Sat. Aug 15th: 11.00am, Parish Church. *****

'Sheltered in God's Love'

National Novena to Our Lady of Knock, 13th/21st August

Ceremonies will take place in the Basilica at 3pm and 8pm over the course of the nine days. Guest speakers include Mary Kennedy, Broadcaster and Author, (Thurs 13th), Bishop Niall Coll, Diocese of Raphoe (Sat 15th), Deacon Mark Paine, Archdiocese of Birmingham, (Thurs 20th). www.knockshrine.ie Our Lady of Knock, pray for us.



"Peace I leave you; My peace I give you" John 14:27.

K&L Eucharistic Adoration Committee invites you to join us with Most Rev. Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr. Ruairí O' Domhnaill, Ms. Margaret Brennan & Guest Speakers

Ms. Una Allen and Ms. Mary Connolly in Mount St. Anne's, Portarlinton, (R32

WN59) on Sat. Aug 29th. Cost €25.00. Booking Essential. Call or Text with name and number of companions Barbara Kinsella 086 163 7311. (9.30am - 4.00pm.) Concludes with Mass at 3.00pm.

PRAYER FOR LIFE, UNITY AND PEACE

The annual crossing of Ireland with a statue of Our Lady takes place in St. Joseph's Church on Sunday August 16th at 2pm.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

1st Anniversary Mass: Tom Deegan, Harbour St., mass on Thursday August 13th 7.30pm

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Mick & Kay Cullen, O'Moore St., Donogh (Don) O'Brien & Patrick O'Brien, O'Moore St., Peggy Furlong, Lord Edward St., Sean Baker O'Moore St., Richard Doyle, Upper Forest, Elizabeth & James Fitzpatrick, Graigue,.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday August 1st & 2nd

Baskets: €720 Envelopes: €750

Tap2Donate (July): €270

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

Wedding Celebrations.....

Congratulations to

Marion McCormack & Mark Delaney

who were married here on Friday,
August 7th.

May the Lord keep them forever in fidelity
and love. Amen.



CELEBRATING BAPTISM

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



Welcome to our newly baptised

Éabha MacMahon, Debbicot.

Fiadh Weldon, Kirwan Park.

"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 2026

Graigie Cemetery -

Friday August 21st at 7.00pm.



Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

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Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday August 15th & 16th

Sat. 7.30pm - Ann Conroy

Sun. 11.00am - Sheelagh Coyle

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday August 15th & 16th

Sat. 7.30pm - Dolores Fitzgerald & Bernadette Clear

Sun. 11.00am - Pascal Hanrahan & Mona Conroy

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday August 5th 2026

Jackpot Numbers: 17:18:21:22. No Jackpot Winner:

14 Matched '3' - €72 each.

N/Week's Jackpot is €15,000

No Mountmellick Winner

BALCONY CINEMA presents "Strictly Ballroom" at
8.00pm. on Wed August 12th. Adm: €5.

Clonaghadoo NS Parents' Council

Warmly invites everyone to our first Autumn Fair!

Join us for a fun-filled community afternoon with

something for everyone: Scarecrow Competition – €10

per scarecrow entry, prize to be announced. Fundraising

Bake Sale, Stalls & Local Vendors, Music by our talented

Clonaghadoo NS students. Saturday, 12th September

12.00 pm – 2.00 pm at Clonaghadoo Ns. We look

forward to welcoming you for a wonderful afternoon.

Check out our Facebook or Instagram pages for more

information. Crafters and Stallholders welcome to inquire
about securing a spot on the day.

Crafternoon Tea

You are invited to the Mountmellick Embroidery and

Heritage Museum, Irishtown, for a showcase of local

craftsmanship on Saturday, 15th August 2026 from 1:00 -

4.00pm. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee with cake while

exploring the rich history of crafts in our community.

Watch skilled local craftspeople work and explain their

process. Learn historical heritage methods unique to the

region. Connect with community members working to

safeguard local craft skills

MOUNTMELICK WORK

An Exhibition celebrating 201 years of Mountmellick

Work will be held in The Gallery, Mountmellick Library

for the month of August. Unique to Mountmellick this

white on white embroidery is a story worth telling and

seeing. All welcome bring a friend.



Best wishes to Laois Intermediate Camogie
players and management in this weekend's

All Ireland Intermediate Final. Sunday

2.00pm, Páirc an Chrócaigh. RTÉ 2 1.45pm.

Laois Abú!!!