



Paróiste Móinteach Mílic **Nuachtlitir**

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

23rd August 2026

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You are.....and on this rock I will build my Church. The prophet Isaiah reminds us today that God's will is always accomplished. 'Save the servant who trusts in you' is the Opening Antiphon of our mass - it is God's will that the lowly servant, trusting in God, is to be given the place of honour and authority.

The wisdom of God becomes apparent in the Gospel piece from St. Matthew. Jesus chooses Peter, who, despite his human failings, is nevertheless to be a rock and custodian of the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

This week, we pray, that we might trust the profound wisdom of God. We ask that this wisdom, though from on high, might even look to each one of us, with our own fragilities - and that we ourselves might be God's choice to spread the joy of the kingdom here and now.

Leaving Cert Congratulations. Well done to all our Leaving Cert 2026 students who received their LC results on Friday. We wish them the very best as they begin a new a new adventure.

**Class Of
2026**



PORTNAHINCH CEMETERY MASS This year's Portnahinch Cemetery Mass will be on Sunday Aug 30th at 6.00pm. Please pass on word to family members, neighbours or friends who may wish to attend. Many thanks. All welcome.



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

Day of Prayer, Adoration, Reflection. K&L Eucharistic Adoration Committee invites you to Mt. St. Anne's, Killenard, (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).

BACK TO SCHOOL: It's getting close to that time of the year again. As our schools reopen we wish them a fulfilling and exciting year ahead. Special good wishes to all the new Jnr. Infants starting 'big school' for the first time.

Prayer: We thank you Lord, for all that was good during the summer. For the love of family and friends, and the sunshine and warm days. As we begin a new school year we ask your help and pray your blessing on everybody in our school.

Show us how to work for the good for all. May we share our talents and abilities to the full and grow in knowledge, faith, wisdom and happiness. Give us the grace to become more like Jesus in the ways we think and behave.

During this school year let us become builders of your ways and instruments of your peace. We ask this school year blessing through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Mass: Betty Webster, Chapel St., mass on Tuesday August 25th at 7.30pm.

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Peter Healion, Bridge St., Betty Kearney, Harbour St., Tommy Coss, Bay Road (1st Anniversary), Patrick & Kathleen Horan, Strahard, Michael Murray Snr., Graigue, Michael Phelan, Strahard, Kevin McEvoy, Strahard, Baby George Bentley, The Rock, Parick (Paudge) Conroy, Bay Road, Catherine Dempsey, Forest House, Martin Geoghegan, Lord Edward St., Sr. Assunta Kirwan, Kathleen O'Neill, Twomey Park, James & Margaret Russell, Bridget Delaney, Four Roads, Mary Ann Lawlor, Chapel St., Esther Lawlor, Emmet Tee.,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/August 29th & 30th: Patricia Donohue, The Rock.

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

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday August 15th & 16th

Baskets: €730 Envelopes: €895

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

Kai Dunne, Camira.

Kaylum Quinn, Camira.

"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.

CLONAGHADOO NS CLOTHES COLLECTION FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST

Time for a clear-out? Clonaghadoo NS Parents' Council is holding a clothes collection next Friday 28th August. Please leave all clothes in on the morning of Friday 28th August.

Have a wardrobe clear-out and help support the school at the same time! Bag it, bring it, and let's make it a great collection.

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person &

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Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday August 29th & 30th

Sat. 7.30pm - Ger Rochford

Sun. 11.00am - Bernie Reddin

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday August 29th & 30th

Sat. 7.30pm - Sr. Ann Walsh & Orla Ambroziak

Sun. 11.00am - Mary Walsh & Pat Dalton

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday August 19th 2026

Jackpot Numbers: 16:20:22:24:

No Jackpot Winner:

9 Matched '3' - €112 each.

N/Week's Jackpot is €17,000

Winner

Declan Kelly

Anthony Brennan

Promoter

John Turner

Joe Dunne

Sunday Evening Devotions

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



IC NEWSPAPER 'The Irish Catholic' is Ireland's biggest and best-selling religious newspaper. The newspaper, published weekly, provides a lively mix of news, analysis and informed commentary about the Church and social issues as they affect Ireland and the wider world. Order your copy (€3.50) in the Parish Office.

WILLS/BEQUESTS

Occasionally the Parish receives bequests from wills.

A bequest reflects someone's desire to make a contribution to the parish from their will. Please remember Mountmellick Parish in your will.

Thank you.

BALCONY CINEMA

presents "California Schemin'" at 8.00pm.

on Wed August 19th. Adm: €5 includes a cuppa and biscuits.

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