



Paróiste Móinteach Mílic ***Nuachtlitir***

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th September 2026

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Promoting faith in
a lively and
challenging way.



Mission Awareness Sisters of Our Lady of Apostles (OLA) We welcome Sr. Mary Usifoh O.L.A. to our masses this weekend to speak about the missionary apostolate of her Order. Today O.L.A. Sisters serve in 21 countries across four continents present in communities where life is fragile, where hope is tested, and where presence offers what words cannot. ***One Heart, One Mission: Witnessing to God's Love in the World...***



This Sunday's readings encourage us to listen to the Lord at all times, and to listen to our neighbour and to our communities too.

In our **Gospel**, we perhaps see the young Church striving to keep the values of Jesus, putting the demands of mutual love above the necessity for structures. Jesus promises to be with us and is active in our decisions and in everything that we do.

'Love does no wrong to a neighbour' says St Paul. We can remember these words as we celebrate this Season of Creation and pray to work with others for the good of all.



SEPTEMBER BLESSING OF SCHOOL/COLLEGE BAGS

As the new school year is getting underway, students, teachers and their families are invited to join us for a blessing of school/college bags during the 9.00am Clonaghadoo Mass and 11.00am Parish Church Mass next Sunday Sept 13th. This is a chance to bring God's blessing on all the hopes and dreams every student and their families have for the year ahead. So please share this with friends, family and neighbours. **All welcome. Don't forget your school bag!!!!**



Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

Immersion in Living Water
EZKIEL 47:1-12

Lord of all Life, you promised that wherever the river flows, everything shall live. Stir in us a calling to care for the waters — to protect the watershed, defend the rights of water, and honour the dignity of the thirsty. May your Word be a spring within us, gushing forth for the healing of the nations. May

God our Father who brought water from the rock sustain us in the desert. May Christ our Lord who is Living Water refresh us for the work of restoration. And may the Holy Spirit carry us on currents of grace until justice rolls down like waters and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream. Amen.

Volunteer Drivers The Irish Cancer Society is seeking compassionate volunteer drivers to join our pool of drivers. As a volunteer driver you would be bringing patients undergoing chemotherapy to the hospital and back home for their treatment. Gifting your time means that cancer patients will have comfortable (one on one) transport to attend appointments for their lifesaving treatment.

If you can spare 2 days per month, have a valid driving licence, and a safe, reliable vehicle, you are the perfect candidate to make a significant difference. The Irish Cancer Society will provide you with training before you start as a driver for us. Your generosity not only eases the journey for many during a challenging time but also offers comfort and support when it's needed most. The feedback we receive from patients that have relied on the Transport Service in the past is heart-warming and underlines the need of its existence. We would be extremely grateful for your support, as it will help us to continue supporting those who are impacted by cancer. For more information and to become a volunteer driver, please contact Monica or Emily at volunteer@irishcancer.ie

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Jack Curham, Lord Edward St., Lena O'Sullivan, Rose & Patrick O'Sullivan, Roskeen, Maura Haverty, Irishtown, Catherine Dunne, Pearl Doody, Emmet St., Joan Kirwan, Davitt Road, Nora, Margaret & Michael Byrne, Briar Lane, Kurt Lawlor, Pattison Est., Richard McCann, Borness, Bill Geoghegan, Davitt Road,

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday August 30th & 31st

Baskets: €860 Envelopes: €1,135

Tap2Donate (August): €395

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

Kayla McInerney, Twomey 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.

Invitation to Culture Night FRIDAY 18th SEPT

St Brigid's Church of Ireland, Rosenallis. Emer Dunne & Band - Irish, Scottish and American folk songs & music with musicians Aidan Connolly & Derek Dunne. Doors 8.15 and Show 8.30 - 10pm. Admission free - booking advised. Funded by Laois Arts & National Arts Council. **To Register, text name and the number of seats to 0863758602.**

P.A.T.H. 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. Donations of (women/men's coats, boots, runners, backpack/schoolbags (all in good condition), socks, toiletries, would be greatly appreciated. Further details: Annette @ 085 1018988, Ann @ 085 8427064, Dolores @ 087 6525735.

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

Designated Liaison Person &

Director of Safeguarding - Ailish Higgins.

Telephone: 085 8021633.

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Deputy DLP: Telephone: 086 1710643.

Local Enquiries. Parish Office:

Tel. 057/8624390. www.safeguarding.ie

Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday September 12th & 13th

Sat. 7.30pm - Bernadette Clear

Sun. 11.00am - Sheelagh Coyle

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday September 12th & 13th

Sat. 7.30pm - Anna Reddin & Sebastian Kopijka

Sun. 11.00am - Pascal Hanrahan & Mary Walsh

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday September 2nd 2026

Jackpot Numbers: 7:8:26:29:

No Jackpot Winner -

10 Matched '3' - €100 each.

N/Week's Jackpot is €11,000

Winner

Promoter

No Mountmellick Winner

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed from Monday September 7th for one week.

Notices, anniversaries etc for the newsletter 12th & 13th September should be left into the post box at the office door or email: stjosephs1878@gmail.com

Thank you.

COUNTRY MARKET

Expressions of interest are invited from anyone wishing to find out more information on the possibility of setting up a Country Market in Mountmellick. Anything home made or home grown can be sold in a Country Market-baking, jams, vegetables, knits etc in return for a modest annual membership fee and a small commission. If there is sufficient interest, a preliminary meeting will be organised in the near future.

Contact Rev. Lesley Robinson on 087 9091561 or revlesleyrobinson@gmail.com

BALCONY CINEMA

presents "Whiplash" at 8.00pm.

on Wed September 9th. Adm: €5 includes a cuppa and biscuits.

Clonaghadoo NS Parents' Council Autumn Fair

Join us for a fun-filled community afternoon with something for everyone: Scarecrow Competition.

Fundraising Bake Sale Stalls & Local Vendors.

Music by our talented Clonaghadoo NS students

Saturday, 12th September 12.00pm – 2.00pm at

Clonaghadoo NS. All welcome.

BINGO - BINGO

Mountmellick Community Arts Centre

this Sunday evening at **8.00pm.** **Check!!**
