



Paróiste Móinteach Mílic Nuachtlitir

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Mission Sunday

18th October 2026

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**“Is not this what
God asks of
you?”**

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100th WORLD MISSION SUNDAY ‘ONE IN CHRIST UNITED IN MISSION’

In his message for this 100th World Missionary Sunday Pope Leo begins by giving thanks to God for the “abundant fruits” bestowed upon the Church since Pope Pius XI established World Mission Sunday 100 years ago. The prayers and contributions of the faithful, he adds, sustained both his missionary work in Peru and that of countless other missionaries

throughout the world. "For this reason, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported World Mission Sunday over the years", he adds. Turning to this year's theme, Pope Leo stresses the importance of nurturing the Church's unity in following Christ, particularly through a shared commitment to spreading the Gospel message of salvation. "Our Lord calls us to cooperate as one family, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to bring everyone everywhere into a communion of faith in Christ." Concluding his message, Pope Leo thanks the faithful for all they will do to carry forward the legacy of World Mission Sunday and generously support the Church's evangelising mission throughout the world. *"God of all, You have called Your Church to be a sign of unity and salvation for all nations. Hear our prayers today and help us to remain united in Christ and faithful witnesses of the Gospel in the world. Amen."*



“HARVEST THANKSGIVING”

Generous God, we praise and thank you
for the gifts that you have given us:
the fruits of the harvest and the joy of your love.

Free us from the fear that leads us
to store up more than we need.

Fill our hearts with gratitude
which moves us to share what we have.

Show us how to plant seeds of hope
and together reap a better world,
where each and every person
can share in the fullness of your love. Amen.

Thursday Oct 22nd Feast day of St. Pope John Paul II. Karol Józef Wojtyła, was born in Wadowice, a small city fifty kilometres from Kraków, on May 18, 1920. He became Pope on Oct 16, 1978. He visited Ireland from Sat, 29 Sept to Mon, 1 Oct 1979, the first-ever visit to Ireland by a reigning Pope. *"Young people of Ireland, I love you"* (Sun Sept 30th, 1979, Galway).

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What does ‘Synodality’ mean for the Catholic Church in Ireland? It means walking together on our pilgrim way in faith towards God, conscious of our God-given gifts. Synodality is about the whole People of God helping each other listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church in our mission of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is about finding the best ways for every baptized person to fulfil the Church's mission of proclaiming to the world, God's love and salvation in Jesus Christ. News of yesterday's (Oct 17th) ‘National Synodal Assembly’ available soon on www.synod.ie

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind Mass: Oliver Peake, Manor Court, mass on Tuesday October 20th at 7.30pm.

1st Anniversary Mass: Christy O'Brien, Chapel St., mass on Thursday October 22nd at 7.30pm.

Please pray for the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Margaret Cooper Joyce, Derrydavy, Veronica (Vera) Keegan, Cloneyhurke, Dell Hanson, Ashgrove, Eddie Dempsey, Moneyquid, Betty Weston, Clonaghadoo, Bill Weston, Macklone, Edward Flanagan, Patrick St.,
For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/ July 11th & 12th: Tom & Noreen Lawlor, Chapel St.,

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

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday October 10th & 11th

Baskets: €650 Envelopes: €990

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.

(3)

CHEQUES CHEQUES

Please make all cheques for the parish payable to "Mountmellick Parish No 1 Account".

MANY THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

OCTOBER ROSARY

Praying of the Rosary every Sunday evening for the month of October at 6.30pm in St. Joseph Church.

All welcome.

The Rosary will be recited in Castlebrack Cemetery every Sunday at 4.00pm for the month of October.
All welcome.



CELEBRATING BAPTISM

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



Welcome to our newly baptised

Kylie McCarthy, Francis Dunne Court,

"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.

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Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday October 24th & 25th

Sat. 7.30pm - Sr. Ann Walsh

Sun. 11.00am - Vincent McEvoy

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday October 24th & 25th

Sat. 7.30pm - Geraldine Goode & Carol McAuley

Sun. 11.00am - Ellen Coss & Paddy Buggy

IN NOVEMBER WE REMEMBER

Dates: Annual Remembrance Mass, for those who died in the last 12 months, **Tuesday Nov 24th**, 7.30pm.

November Cemetery Rosary, Acragar, **Sunday Nov 8th**, 2.00pm.

May they rest in peace.



MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday 14th October 2026

Jackpot Numbers: 3:7:15:19:

No Jackpot Winner. N/Week's Jackpot: €13,000

27 Matched '3' - €38 each.

Winner

John Scott

Ann Conroy

Ann Cawley

Margaret Bradford

Imelda Burke

Dermot Styles

Promoter

Ray Scott

Parish Office

McElwee's

Margaret Bradford

Emmett Stores

Andy Hickey



COUNTY CHAMPIONS:

Congratulations to Mountmellick Parish Gaels footballers winners of the Laois County Minor Final last Sunday. Well done to all. Great win.

BALCONY CINEMA

presents "**Juror No. 2**" (12's) at 8.00pm. on Wed October 21st. Adm: €5, includes a cuppa and biscuits.

Tickets for the Apex Singers are still available pick yours up at <https://www.theapexsingers.com/event-details/mountmellick>

THANK YOU - PATH would like to thank all who gave so generously to their October collection.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Our next collection will be in December.