

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.**

**GREETING**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**  
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.  
**And with your spirit.**

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

**THE GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father, Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, always pondering spiritual things, we may carry out in both word and deed that which is pleasing to you.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING 1 Samuel 26:27-9.12-13. 22-23**

**A reading from the first book of Samuel.** Saul set off and went down to the wilderness of Ziph, accompanied by three thousand men chosen from Israel to search for David in the wilderness of Ziph.

So in the dark David and Abishai made their way towards the force, where they found Saul asleep inside the camp, his spear stuck in the ground beside his head, with Abner and the troops lying around him.

Then Abishai said to David, 'Today God has put your enemy in your power; so now let me pin him to the ground with his own spear. Just one stroke! I will not need to strike him twice.' David

answered Abishai, 'Do not kill him, for who can lift his hand against the Lord's anointed and be without guilt?' David took the spear and the pitcher of water from beside Saul's head, and they made off. No one saw, no one knew, no one woke up; they were all asleep, for a deep sleep from the Lord had fallen on them.

David crossed to the other side and halted on the top of the mountain a long way off; there was a wide space between them. David then called out, 'Here is the king's spear. Let one of the soldiers come across and take it. The Lord repays everyone for his uprightness and loyalty. Today the Lord put you in my power, but I would not raise my hand against the Lord's anointed.'

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps 102:1-4.8-10.12-13**

**R. The Lord is compassion and love.**

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **[R]**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **[R]**
3. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our faults **[R]**
4. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **[R]**

**SECOND READING**

**1 Corinthians 15:45-49.**

**A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.**

The first man, Adam, as scripture says, became a living soul; but the last Adam has become a life-giving spirit. That is, first the one with the soul, not the spirit, and after that, the one with the spirit. The first man, being from the earth, is earthly by nature; the second man is from heaven. As this earthly man was, so are we on earth; and as the heavenly man is, so are we in heaven. And we, who have been modelled on the earthly man, will be modelled on the heavenly man.

**The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you, says the Lord.**

**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL**

**Luke 6:27-38**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.**

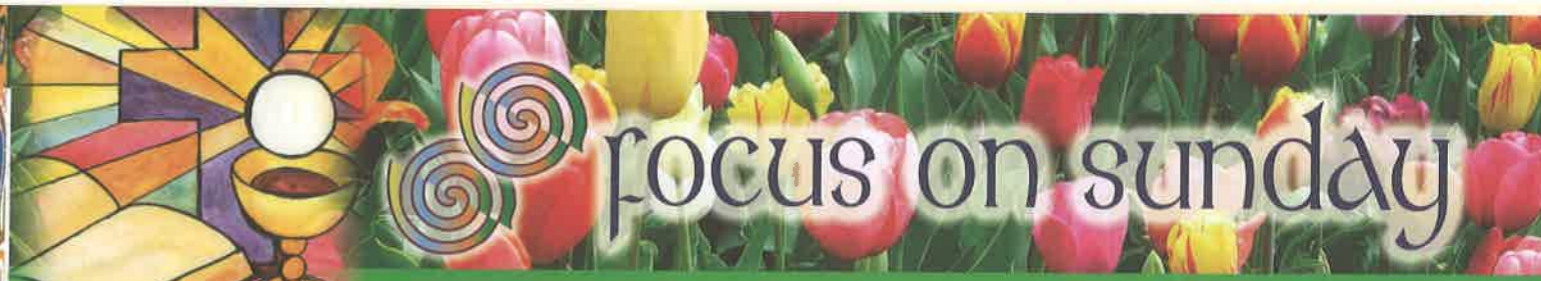
Jesus said to his disciples: 'I say this to you who are listening: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who treat you badly. To the man who slaps you on one cheek, present the other cheek too; to the man who takes your cloak from you, do not refuse your tunic. Give to everyone who asks you, and do not ask for your property back from the man who robs you. Treat others as you would like them to treat you. If you love those who love you, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what thanks can you expect? For even sinners do that much. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what thanks can you expect? Even sinners lend to sinners to get back the same amount. Instead, love your enemies and do good, and lend without any hope of return. You will have a great reward, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.'

'Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate. Do not judge, and you will not be judged yourselves; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned yourselves; grant pardon, and you will be pardoned. Give, and there will be gifts for you: a full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap; because the amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back.'

**The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**NICENE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, All bow for following three lines: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,



It is natural to stand up to people and 'get even' with them. The message of the gospels runs differently: we must learn to be as compassionate and forgiving as God our Father is when we turn to Him for forgiveness.

who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Pray brothers and sisters, .....  
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

As we celebrate your mysteries, O Lord, with the observance that is your due, we humbly ask you, that what we offer to the honour of your majesty may profit us for salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.** Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right and just.**

**SANCTUS**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**AFTER THE CONSECRATION**

*The mystery of faith.*  
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

**INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION**

Behold the Lamb of God, .....  
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

**I will recount all your wonders, I will rejoice in you and be glad, and sing psalms to your name, O Most High.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that we may experience the effects of the salvation which is pledged to us by these mysteries. Through Christ our Lord.



*Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate*



Compassion is, to my mind at least, not one of those skills that can be learned. I often think that compassion is quite impossible to explain but rather, is an intuitive awareness of the gift that offering a compassionate experience is. While a key element of my health care pastoral ministry toolbox, it is something that is intrinsic in the

person who strives to offer an experience of compassion in an authentic way. It is not learned or forced. Compassionate care is an experience to be shared and is known often without the use of words or platitudes but rather through the awareness that someone cares for me right now as I struggle to make sense of it all. Indeed, having recently taught a workshop on compassionate care, I came to the conclusion that compassion is one of the most important things we can offer to anyone pained and struggling, while also being one of the most challenging. It is so hard sometimes to be compassionate even when we want to be.

The liberation theology movement has I believe compassion at its heart. It reminds us of our call to be compassionate, to be present to the struggle of the 'other'. It reminds us of God's 'preferential option for the poor' – the poor in mind, body and spirit and how each of us are challenged and called to be agents of this preferential treatment. It reminds us to walk that road that can at times be less travelled and offer the hand of God to those we would rather walk away from.'

Margaret Naughton, *Compassion and Ministry, in Sacred Heart Messenger, March 2022. www.messenger.ie*

**Jesus' Story**  
Imagine Jesus asking you and me to love those who steal from us and treat us badly. Yet even those who jeered him on the way to Calvary and the thief on the cross were treated very well by our friend Jesus. Did he not say 'Forgive them, for they know not what they do?'





# MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

## BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

20th February 2022

### Mass Times

### Parish Church

Saturday - 6.30 p.m.

Sunday - 9.00 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.

### Our Lady's Chapel

Tuesday to Friday  
10.00 a.m.

### Contact Details:

Fr. Liam Merrigan P.P.

045 525346

Fr. Denis O'Sullivan P.E.

045 525351

Parish Office  
045 525346

Adrienne M<sup>c</sup>Cormack  
Mary Kilbride  
Anna Pedrak

### Opening Hours:

Monday- 10.30am to 4.30pm

Tuesday - Thursday

9.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Closed for Lunch 1.00 - 1.30p.m.

Friday

9.00am to 4.00pm

### Safe Guarding of Children Diocesan Designated Liaison Person :

Mr. Michael Daly  
c/o Bishops House  
Old Dublin Road  
Carlow  
Ph: 085 8021633

### Notices & Anniversaries to be left in the Parish Office by Wednesday's @ 1 p.m.

Email: [monasterevin.parish@gmail.com](mailto:monasterevin.parish@gmail.com), Parish Radio 99FM  
OUR MAIN CHURCH SERVICES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON LINE VIA OUR PARISH  
WEBCAM @ MONASTEREVINPARISH.IE

### Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

#### Saturday 19th February 2022, 6.30pm Mass

Savannah Muller, Clogheen (Birthday Remembrance), Patrick Kirwan, Station House, Ellen-Lil Doyle, Gorey Co. Wexford, Bernard & Anna Maher, Coole, Johnny Finn, Matt Lonergan (Birthday Remembrance), Fr. Patsy Lonergan, Deceased Members of Kildangan Stud, Sean Harrison, St. Evins Park, Rose Harrison, Old Grange, Thomas & Anne Delaney, Coole, & grandson P.J., Robert & Mai Delaney, & grandson Martin, Deceased Members of the Delaney & Blake Families, Patrick Kaye, Cowpasture.

#### Sunday 20th February 2022, 9.00am Mass

Daniel Harrison, Kill, Denis Browne, Belgooly, Co. Cork, Thomas & Anne Delaney, Coole, & grandson P.J., Robert & Mai Delaney & grandson Martin, Deceased Members of the Delaney & Blake Families, Anthony Moody, Deceased Members of the Moody Family, Deceased Members of the Foster Family, Old Grange.

#### Sunday 20th February 2022, 11.30am Mass

Patricia Merrick, Limerick, (1st Anniversary), Bridget Touhy, Mary D'Arcy, Golden, Tipperary, Thomas & Anne Delaney, Coole & grandson P.J., Robert & Mai Delaney & grandson Martin, Deceased Members of the Delaney & Blake Families, Nancy Boland, Drogheda Street, Patrick Kaye, Cowpasture, Patrick & Mary Rowan, Christopher & Mary Martin, Christy Rowan, Bridget O'Toole, Molly Rowan.

#### Tuesday 22nd February 2022, 10.00am Mass

Francis Joseph Hannon, Sligo, Patrick Kaye, Cowpasture, Winnie Mahon, Gurteenoonna.

#### Friday 25th February 2022, 10.00am Mass

Mary Dempsey, Ballagh.



### Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection:- € 320.00 Basket:- € 975.00

### READERS Sat 26th February 2022

6.30pm: Mary Sweeney

Sun 27th February 2022

9.00 am: Sr. Angela  
11.30am: Eileen Riordan

LOTTO - 22nd February 2022  
TEAM A  
Pauline Duffy  
Lilly Donoghue

### CHOIR

Saturday 26th  
February 2022

6.30pm : Dawn  
Broughan

Sunday 27th  
February 2022

11.30 am :Gospel  
Choir

### MINISTERS OF THE EUCARIST

Saturday 26th February  
2022

6.30pm: Gar Harrison  
Mary Doyle  
Dan Clancy

Sunday 27th February 2022

9.00am: Davina Weldon  
Andrew Mahon  
Anne McLoughlin  
11.30am: Marie Lawless  
Ann Whelan  
Mary O'Leary

### Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results 15/02/2022

Numbers Drawn

1, 11, 16, 17

Next Weeks Jackpot €7,600

No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Rachel Behan	A. Kelly
€20 Carol Carmody	A. Kelly
€20 Tina Cooke	G. Harrison
€20 M. McGuinness	A. Kelly
€20 Pat O'Brien	R. McDonnell

Next Draw 22/02/22  
Thanks for your support

### Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto

Draw Results 14/02/2022

Numbers Drawn

2, 3, 23, 24

Next Weeks Jackpot €15,000

No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Phil Donohoe	M. Heavey
€20 Arlene Byrne	J. Moore
€20 Anne Lawless	G. Harrison
€20 Noel Behan	B. Fitzgerald
€20 Marie & Pauline	P. Donohoe

Next draw: 21/02/2022  
Thanks for your continued support

### MONASTEREVIN GFC

#### Weekly Draw 11/02/2022

1st €100	Aoife Fogarty	G. Kelly
2nd € 50	Caroline Mulpeter	J. Gorry
3rd € 25	Cormac Stapleton	Dominic
4th € 25	Kathleen Kelly	G. Kelly

Seller: Gary Kelly

Thanks to our supporters & promoters

### Photocopier for Sale

Photocopier for sale. Might suit small business or community group. For more details contact the parish office.

### Support for the Parish

Thank you to the many who have found new ways of continuing to support the Parish during this time of Lockdown. We are very appreciative of the continued support of so many during this difficult time.

Some other ways to contribute to our Parish

Donation on line: [monasterevinparish.ie](http://monasterevinparish.ie)

Click donate button or Kandle.ie

Parish Envelopes can be dropped into collection boxes in the Church, Letter Box at Fr. Liam's House or the Parish Office.  
Account details are as follows

#### Parish Clergy Fund

Bank Name & Address - Bank of Ireland, Monasterevin

Name of Account: Monasterevin Parish Clergy

IBAN - IE57 BOFI 9012 BIC - AIBKIE2D

(Please put your Name/Address in ref box)

#### Parish Development Fund

Bank Name & Address - Allied Irish Banks

Newbridge,

Name of Account: Monasterevin Parish Committee

### Synod news: A Listening Lent across Kildare and Leighlin

Pope Francis wants to hear from the whole Church about the reality of being part of the People of God right now. He wants us to have a conversation about how we are journeying together and with God in our local parishes. He wants us to dream dreams together about our future. And he wants everyone's voice to count. During Lent 2022 there will be many opportunities for people to take part in our listening phase of the synod.

As we look to our listening Lent these words from Bishop Denis remind us of some key aspects of what it means to be on a synodal journey. 'May we remember that family for all of us is where the synodal journey begins - a journey of discovery, listening, participation, discerning or coming to know the will of God in our lives.'

#### Listening Lent Synod Questions

Question 1. Thinking about the Church and about my local parish, how and when do I find being part of it a source of joy or nourishment for me in my faith? When might it bring disappointment or pain?

Question 2. When I hear the word 'Church' who do I think of? Who is missing? Whom do we need to listen to? How can we be more inclusive?

Question 3. Thinking about how we as a parish community bring the love of Christ into the world, what one thing does our local parish do really well? What one thing could it do better with? What one thing could I do? What specific hope or dream do you have for the Church moving forward?

### ASH WEDNESDAY 2nd MARCH

Ash Wednesday 2nd March marks the beginning of Lent.

Ash Wednesday is a day of  
Fast and Abstinence

Mass Times  
10.00 am & 7.30 pm

People will be blessed with the Blessed Ashes  
at all Masses.

### Acknowledgement

Margaret Behan would like to thank friends, neighbours and everyone who sent Get Well & Mass Cards when in hospital.

Mass will be offered for your intentions.

### Money Contributed to the Parish can qualify as a Charitable Donation

Every €250 contributed on the "Charitable Donations Scheme" is worth an additional €112.31 to the Parish at no cost to the contributor. Last year the Parish was able to claim a tax refund of €4,233 in 2021.

#### How can I help?

If you already contribute through the weekly envelope, ensure that the office is aware of the envelope number that you use. If you currently contribute €5 or more per week to the basket collection, consider making your contribution using the envelopes which are available from the parish office. Complete a CHY3 (or CHY4) certificate (available from the parish office or online) and return it to the office.

#### Do You Know?

If you contribute a minimum of €250 per year by standing order, cheque, weekly envelope, or Priests collection envelope the Parish can reclaim 31% tax back on your total contributions in the year provided:

- 1) The Parish can identify the contributor and
- 2) You have completed a CHY3 (or CHY4) certificate to allow the parish to reclaim the tax. Information relating to contributions is treated in a strictly confidential manner.

Thank you

