

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

20th March 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:

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045 525346

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Adrienne M^cCormack
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
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Notices & Anniversaries to be left in the Parish Office by Wednesday's @ 1 p.m.

Email: 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

**Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Mary King (née McHale)
Ballyfarsoon, Monasterevin, Kildare who was interred during the week.
R.I.P**

Saturday 19th March 2022, 6.30pm Mass

Bernard & Joan O'Farrell, James Kelly, Rathangan, Sheila Underwood, Michael Dowling, Gurteenona, Ena Sweeney, Marie Patterson, Elizabeth Mahon, Grange, Moore Abbey, Phyllis Dunne, Elizabeth Dunne, Cushina, Kathleen Freeley, Luton, England, Clare Allen, Manchester, Jodie Slattery, Portlinton, Jason Kelly, Bell Harbor (Birthday Remembrance), Deceased members of the Slattery & Moore Families, Patrick Kaye, Cowpasture, (Birthday Remembrance), Judy Mahon, Athy, May Ball, Scotland.

Sunday 20th March 2022, 9.00am Mass

Kevin Langley, Kildangan (Birthday Remembrance), Winnifred Freeman, Loretto Kelly, William Billy Collins, Clogheen, (Months Mind), Patrick, (Paddy) Donohoe, The Bawn, Inchacooley, Joe Dunne, Kill, Sean O'Neill, (Birthday Remembrance), John O'Neill, Annie, Michael, Peter & Michael (Jnr) Eustace, Aubrey Hope, Kenneth McNamee, (Birthday Remembrance), Josephine McNamee, Patrick McNamee.

Sunday 20th March 2022, 11.30am Mass

Margaret Cleary, Lughill, (2nd Anniversary), Vincent Murphy, Moate & Old Grange, (3rd Anniversary), Maurice & Brigid Murphy Old Grange, Pat Flaherty, Loughrea, (3rd Anniversary), Norah Lewis, Ber Humphery, Marian Jacob, England.

READERS

Sat 26th March 2022
6.30pm: Ger Harrison

Sun 27th March 2022
9.00 am: Jarlath Killen
11.30am: Liz Fitzpatrick

Weekly Collection

Envelopes:- €245.00
Baskets:- €1,590.00

LOTTO—22nd March 2022

TEAM B:
Mary Sweeney, Mary Doyle

CHOIR

Saturday 26th March 2022
6.30pm

Dawn Broughan
Sunday 27th March 2022
11.30am
Gospel Choir

HOLY HOUR

In place of our Novena this year. Please join us for a Holy Hour each Wednesday Evening for Lent in Our Lady's Chapel.
Time 7.30pm to 8.30pm.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 26th March
6.30pm Mary Ryan, Pauline Murphy, Ger Harrison

Sunday 27th March 2022

9.00am: Teresa Martin, Lily Donoghue, Mary Lawlor
11.30am: Rita McDonnell, Marie Lawless, Ann Whelan

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to babies Robin Rose Jasinskas, Alex Murphy & Fia, Marian Fitzsimons who were baptised by Fr. Liam Merrigan on Saturday 12th March.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

Murt Donohoe would like to thank all who helped him when he fell outside the Church.
Your help was greatly appreciated.

Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results 15/03/2022

Numbers Drawn

1. 8. 11. 22.

Next Weeks Jackpot €8,400

No Winner

Winners

€20 Dennis Mahon

€20 Claire Donnelly

€20 Brigid Lonergan

€20 Elizabeth Walsh

€20 Christina McHale

Promoter

D. Mahon

P. Kelly

A. Kelly

R. Callanan

Parish Office

Next Draw 22/03/22

Thanks for your support

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto

Draw Results 14/3/2022

Numbers Drawn

16. 19. 22. 28.

Next Weeks Jackpot €15,000

No Winner

Winners

€20 Phil Donohoe

€20 Tracey Dowling

€20 Liz Pender

€20 Robyn Nugent

€20 Lorraine Hall

Promoter

M. Heavey

P. Moore

P. Pender

A. Kelly

G. Martin

Next draw: 21/03/2022

Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN GFC

Weekly Draw
11/03/2022

1st €100	Padraig Stapleton	Dominic
2nd € 50	Mary Harrison	Caoimhe
3rd € 25	Mag Siney	Niall
4th € 25	Ray Fennell	Stephen
Seller: Dominic Stapleton		

Thanks to our supporters & promoters

PRAYER FOR LENT

"May I stand in solidarity today with all my brothers and sisters around the world who are suffering. May we be united in your love, and may I work to build your kingdom here on earth."

CE SCHEME VACANCIES:

- 2 Care Assistants, Monasterevin Day Care Centre.
- Administration Assistant, Monasterevin Parish Office.
- Environmental Worker, Monasterevin Tidy Towns.
- Grounds Person Rosglas GAA.

If interested in any of the above positions please call into the CE Office, Parish Centre, Drogheda Street, Monasterevin to check eligibility or telephone:
045 - 525143.

Support for the Parish

Thank you to the many who have found new ways of continuing to support the Parish. We are very appreciative of the continued support of so many of our parishioners. Some other ways to contribute to our Parish

Donation on line: 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, Kildare Town

Name of Account: Monasterevin Parish Clergy

IBAN - IE57 BOFI 9012 BIC - AIBKIE2D

Parish Development Fund

Bank Name & Address - Allied Irish Banks Newbridge,

Name of Account: Monasterevin Parish Committee

(Please put your Name/Address in ref box)

Synod news: A Listening Lent across Kildare and Leighlin Parish Meeting Re: Synod

During this Lent parishes across the diocese are hosting synod listening sessions. We invite as many people as possible to come to these sessions and to encourage others to come as well. Every voice matters.

OUR PARISH MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE ON WEDNESDAY THE 6TH OF APRIL AT 7.30PM TO 8.30PM IN ST. PAULS SECONDARY SCHOOL.

If you can't make it to a local session the synod survey is now live and can be accessed on www.kandle.ie/synod/. Please help us to spread the word and encourage others to be part of this listening. All contributions will help us locally in the parish as well as helping to inform the diocesan synod submission.

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?

LENT MASS TIMES

Daily Mass time during Lent is at the usual time 10.00am in Sts. Peter and Paul Church.

This is to facilitate the mass being streamed on line on our web camera for those who cannot come to mass for Lent.

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN APPEAL

This Lent, Trócaire's Appeal highlights the impact that climate change and Covid-19 has on people's lives in Zimbabwe and how your love and generosity can give families a chance to build a better tomorrow.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

"In memory of a life so beautifully lived,
A heart so deeply loved"

The Family of the late William, Billy Collins, Clogheen would like to offer our heartfelt thanks to Billy's many friends, neighbours, former colleagues & all who sent floral tributes, cards & messages of condolences.

A special word of thanks to the nurses & staff of Emo Court Ward, Portlaoise Hospital for their kindness & love shown, many times. For Fr. Liam, Sr. Angela, Eugene & Dawn for creating a beautiful Mass & send off for Billy

For all those who participated in any way & especially John Maher for his sensitive & professional handling of arrangements. Your contribution made our loss more bearable. Please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of Mass will be offered for your intentions.

SYNOD PRAYER

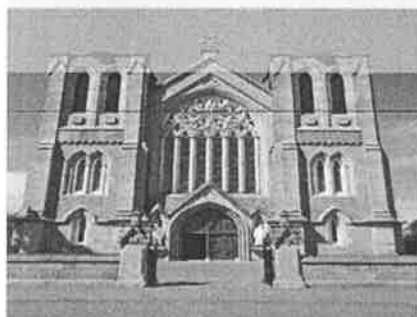
We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.



focus on sunday

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT 20th March 2022

The call of God is always to become more like Jesus in how we treat his people. We know our failings: the call to repent in today's gospel is also the promise of God's forgiveness for our failings and sins.



Repentance can be a negative word. It reminds us of guilt, maybe fear and lack of confidence that we can change. It can be a joyful word. Repentance means humbly admitting that we have done wrong and the change will bring joy, contentment and confidence in life. The grace of repentance is something we ask for and is a gift of God.

We admit failure before God knowing we are forgiven. The example of the fig tree highlights this. People want to cut it down but the gardener wanted to give it another chance. Jesus likes this example and uses it in his preaching because he is like the gardener, always the one offering many chances. The call to repent is always given with love and the desire of God to forgive us.

The call to repent is that we also allow others to change and be joyful when they have made good changes in their lives. We can judge harshly and condemn people often for a past which is no longer operative.

Lent is a time for asking how our lives can more reflect the life of Jesus and our faithfulness to his way of life.

Lord, may my life reflect your values and love each day.

Donal Neary SJ. (editor Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story

Liam Hickey



People hurt themselves sometimes, taking wrong food or drink, and forgetting rules of the road. Also we hurt others at times, with our words and actions. God does not want us to hurt. He tells us that even when a tree does not do good in giving fruit, God always gives a second chance, and hundreds of chances to His children.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!
Repent, says the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!**

GOSPEL Luke 13. 1-9

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them 'Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.'

He told this parable: 'A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, "Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down; why should it be taking up the ground?" "Sir," the man replied "leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, All bow for following two lines:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. 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.

of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "I Am has sent me to you." And God also said to Moses, 'You are to say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 102:1-4.6-8.11

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 does deeds of justice, gives judgement for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses and his deeds to Israel's sons. **[R]**
4. The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. **[R]**

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 10.1-6. 10-12.

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

I want to remind you, brothers, how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert. These things all happened as warnings for us not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.

GREETING

In the name of the Father
Amen.

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.



PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us.....
Amen.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

OPENING PRAYER

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ ...

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Exodus 3:1-8. 13-15

A reading from the book of Exodus

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said, 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush, 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am' he answered. 'Come no nearer' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father, he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out