

**MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

29th May 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.

Parish Office  
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Adrienne M<sup>c</sup>Cormack  
Mary Kilbride  
Anna Pedrak  
Simona Grauskaite

**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

**CHARITY TAX NO.  
CHY 7355**

**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  
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**Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance**

**Please Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Sr Ellen Byrne, Rosglás, Moore  
Abbey, Monasterevin who was interred during the week. R.I.P.**

**Saturday 28th May 2022, 6.30pm Mass**

Mick Connolly, Cloncarlin (1st Anniversary), Frank Gillen, Passlands, Margaret Behan & her Son Denis, Rathangan, Noel Martin, Rathangan, Elizabeth Miller, Old Grange, Joseph Gary Dunne, Passlands, Sr. Cora McHale, Maureen Archbold, Lavinia Archbold, Martin Donoher, Inchacoooley, Julia Donoher, Tommy Donoher, Christy Byrne, Inchacoooley, Sheila Sharpe, Deceased Members of the Gorry Family, Ellistown Hill, Deceased Members of the Coffey Family, Kildare, Mary Murphy, Athy, (Birthday Remembrance)

**Sunday 29th May 2022, 9.00am Mass**

Mick Connolly, Cloncarlin (1st Anniversary), Frank Gillen, Passlands, Patrick Kelly, Deceased Members of the Kelly Family, Deceased Members of the Donoher & Rice Families, Umeras, Mrs. Melia, Umeras, Gertrude Cooke Shean, Athy

**Sunday 29th May 2022, 11.30am Mass**

Mick Connolly, Cloncarlin (1st Anniversary), Michael O'Neill (1st Anniversary), Stramillian, Frank Gillen, Passlands, Tommy Hall, St. Evin's Park, Patrick Kelly, Deceased Members of the Kelly Family, Ballykelly, Seamus Heavey, Tommy Hall, St. Evins Park, Lena Kelly, Lough House, Rathangan, Johnnie Dunne, Rathcoole, Molly (Mary) Blanche, Rath, (Birthday Remembrance)

**Tuesday 31st May 2022, 10.00am Mass**

Michael & Kathleen Walsh, Lackagh, Bernadette Fahy, formerly Lackagh, Christopher Walsh late of Reading, formerly Lackagh, Christina Walsh, Scotland



**READERS**

**Sat 4th June 2022**  
6.30pm: Betty Cleary

**Sun 5th June 2022**  
9.00am: Lisa Marie Duffly  
11.30am: Billy Cleary

**Weekly Collection**

Envelopes:- €335.00  
Baskets:- €830.00

**LOTTO - 31st May 2022**

**TEAM: C**  
Rita McDonnell, Gertie Byrne,  
Ger Harrison

**MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Saturday 4th June 2022**  
6.30pm : Cathy Cullen, Pat Ryan, Hannah Duffy

**Sunday 5th June 2022**  
9.00am: Anne McLoughlin, Teresa Martin, Lily Donoghue  
11.30am: Ann Lonergan, Fiona Behan, Rita McDonnell

**CHOIR**

**Saturday 4th June 2022**  
6.30pm: Pat O'Meara

**Sunday 5th June 2022**  
11.30am: Tom McGlynn



Monasterevin Parish Lotto  
Draw Results 24/05/2022  
Numbers Drawn  
8 13 14 19

Next Weeks Jackpot €10,400  
No Winner

<b>Winners</b>	<b>Promoter</b>
€20 Claire Donnelly	P. Kelly
€20 Angela Eustace	R. C
€20 Rita Callanan	R. C
€20 Mary Colgan	R. McD
€20 Doris Forde	R. C

Next Draw 31/05/2022

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto  
Draw Results 23/05/2022  
Numbers Drawn  
10 14 20 27

Next Weeks Jackpot €15,000  
No Winner

<b>Winners</b>	<b>Promoter</b>
€20 Nan Moore	P. Moore
€20 Declan Brereton	P. Donoher
€20 Siobhan Dunne	P. Brereton
€20 Joanne Moore	P. Moore
€20 Denis Connolly	S. Whyte

Next draw: 30 /5/2022

**MONASTEREVIN GFC  
Weekly Draw  
20/05/2022**

1st €100 Stephen Molloy	Earleys
2nd € 50 Niall Colgan	Jenny
3rd € 25 Caroline Morrissey	C. Morrissey
4th € 25 Tommy Kavanagh	Andrea

Seller: Earleys Fashions

**S.V.P. SHOP  
BRAND NEW SALE**

S.V.P. Shop Monasterevin are holding a Brand New Sale on Tuesday 7th June 9.30 am until 5.30 pm.

**MONASTEREVIN CONVENT N.S.  
SCHOOL CARETAKER**

Caretaker (35 hours per week) required for Monasterevin Convent N.S. (Scoil Eimhín Naofa).

Please send a Letter of Application and C.V./Details of Experience to The Chairperson, Scoil Eimhín Naofa, Drogheda Street, Monasterevin, Co. Kildare. W34 P308 by Thursday June 2nd, 2022.

Alternatively, applications can be submitted by email to [sainteivin@gmail.com](mailto:sainteivin@gmail.com) Please type the word 'CARETAKER' in the subject line.

It is intended to hold interviews for this position within the first 2 weeks of June, 2022

**175TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR  
CHURCH**

We are asking parishioners to hand in old photographs of events, i.e. baptisms, communions, confirmations, weddings and funerals, which include people of the parish.

**CEMETERY MASSES 2022**

**YEW TREE**  
Friday 24th June at 7.30pm  
**ST. EVIN'S**  
Monday 27th June at 7.30pm  
**PASSLANDS**  
Tuesday 28th June at 7.30pm  
**LACKAGH**  
Wednesday 29th June at 7.30pm

**Visiting the Sick & House bound**

Fr. Liam will be visiting the Sick and Housebound on Thursday 2nd June Please call the office on 045 525346 if you would like him to call.

**INVITATION**

Jesus asks you to come and spend 1 hour with Him every Wednesday night 7.30pm to 8.30pm in Our Lady's Chapel.



**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Friday 14th October 2022  
Michael English and Monasterevin Gospel Choir Concert in Sts. Peter and Paul Church.  
Tickets on sale now €30 from the parish office.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to all the 6th year students from St. Paul's Secondary School, who graduated on Thursday 26th May. Wishing them best wishes and every success in their future lives.

**CE SCHEME VACANCIES:**

- 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.

**EVENTS TO CELEBRATE  
175TH ANNIVERSARY OF  
OUR CHURCH**

**Thursday 30th June**

Barry Walsh will give a talk on the history of the church. This talk takes place in the church at 8pm.

**Friday 1st July**

A free concert will be held in the church at 7.30pm. with a number of local artists performing.

**Saturday 2nd July**

A family picnic will be held in Riverside Park at 3.00pm. All are welcome.

**Sunday 3rd July**

There will be a walk from Passlands graveyard starting at 10.45am to Sts. Peter and Paul church with Bishop Denis Nulty concluding with mass in Parish Church at 11.30am.

**AL HOMECARE**

Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 991 6791 or 087 744 0729.

Our website is [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie)

**RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION**

A Reminder that the Retired Priest's collection takes place across the diocese this weekend.

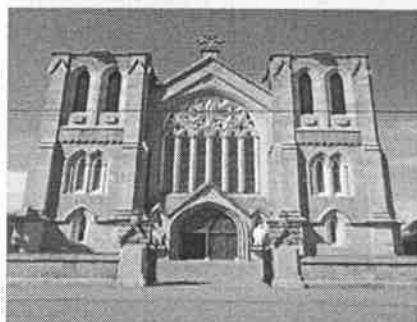
Your generous support would be greatly appreciated .

**KILDARE & LEIGHLIN  
DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO  
KNOCK SHRINE.**

Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join with him and parishioners from across the diocese at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock

**SUNDAY 5TH JUNE 2022.**  
Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm in the Basilica.

There will be a bus leaving Monasterevin Church at 8.30am sharp. Anyone wishing to travel, please give your name and phone number into the parish office.





**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.**

**GREETING**

In the name of the Father ..... Amen.  
The Lord be with you. *And with your spirit.*

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

Lord Jesus, you have shown us the way to the Father:

Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*  
Lord Jesus, you have given us the consolation of the truth:  
Christ, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.*  
Lord Jesus, you are the Good Shepherd, leading us into everlasting life:  
Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*  
May almighty God have mercy on us..... 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 we, who believe that your Only Begotten Son, our Redeemer, ascended this day to the heavens, may in spirit dwell already in heavenly realms.  
Who lives and reigns .....

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING Acts 1: 1-11**

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

In my earlier work, Theophilus, I dealt with everything Jesus had done and taught from the beginning until the day he gave his instructions to the apostles he had chosen through the Holy Spirit, and was taken up to heaven. He had shown himself alive to them after his Passion by many demonstrations: for forty days he had continued to appear to them and tell them about the kingdom of God. When he had been at table with them, he had told them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for what the Father had promised. 'It is' he had said 'what you have heard me speak about: John baptised with water but you, not many days from now, will be baptised with the Holy Spirit.'

Now having met together, they asked him, 'Lord, has the time come? Are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He replied, 'It is not for you to know times or dates that the Father has decided by his own authority, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses not only in Jerusalem but throughout Judaea and Samaria, and indeed to the ends of the earth.'

As he said this he was lifted up while they looked on, and a cloud took him from their sight. They were still staring into the sky when suddenly two men in white were standing near them and they said, "Why are you men from Galilee standing here looking into the sky? Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven, this same Jesus will come back in the same way as you have seen him go there.'

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**Ps. 46:2-3.6-9**

**R. God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. or Alleluia!**

- All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **[R]**
- God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **[R]**
- God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **[R]**

**SECOND READING Ephesians 1: 17 - 23**

**A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians**

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit and how infinitely great is the power that he has exercised for us believers. This you can tell from the strength of his power at work in Christ, when he used it to raise him from the dead and to make him sit at his right hand, in heaven, far above every Sovereignty, Authority, Power, or Domination, or any other name that can be named, not only in this age, but also in the age to come. He has put all things under his feet, and made him, as the ruler of everything, the head of the Church; which is his body, the fullness of him who fills the whole creation.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am with you always; yes, to the end of time. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL Luke 24: 46 - 53**

The Lord be with you.  
*And with your spirit.*

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**  
**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

'And now I am sending down to you what the Father has promised. Stay in the city then, until you are clothed with the power from on high.'

Then he took them out as far as the outskirts of Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. They worshipped him and then went back to Jerusalem full of joy; and they were continually in the Temple praising God.

**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 our men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

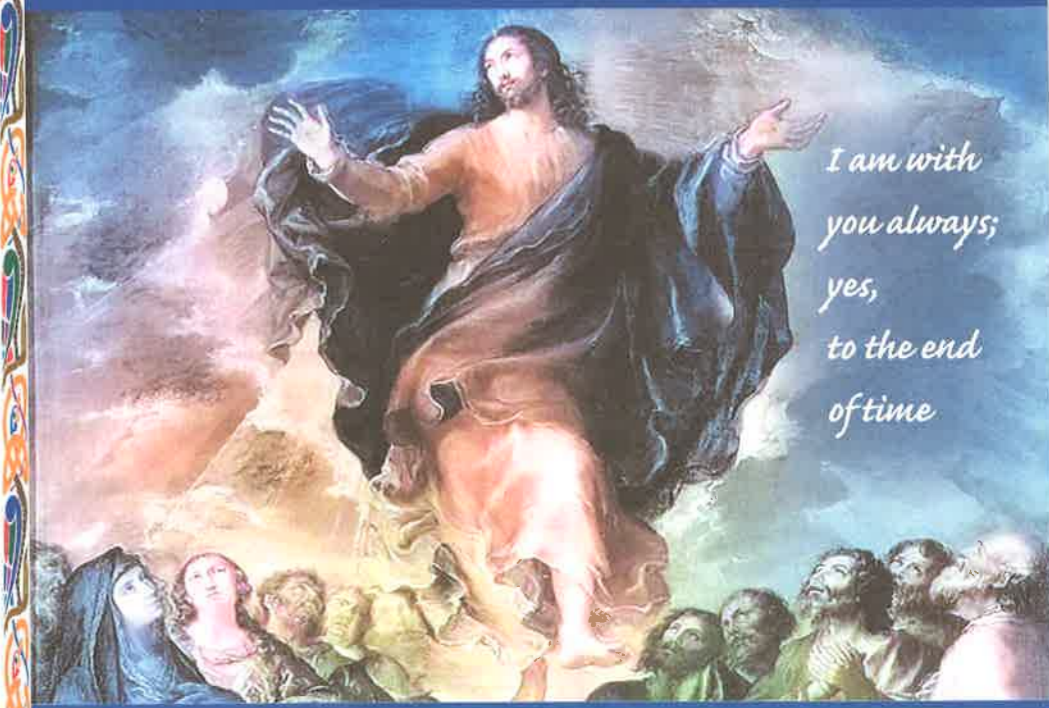
*All bow for following three lines:*

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, 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.



**focus on sunday**

**The Lord is absent : that was the first experience of Jesus' followers after his death. But even though he has returned to his Father, he is with us. Today's feast is the celebration that he is present both in heaven and on earth.**



**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

Pray brothes 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**

We offer sacrifice now in supplication, O Lord, to honour the wondrous Ascension of your Son: grant, we pray, that through this most holy exchange we, too, may rise up to the heavenly realms. 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**

**Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Almighty ever-living God, who allow those on earth to celebrate divine mysteries, grant, we pray, that Christian hope may draw us onward to where our nature is united with you. Through Christ our Lord.

**CONCLUDING RITE**

The Lord be with you.  
*And with your spirit.*  
May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.  
Go in peace,  
Thanks be to God.



It took just this small group to begin something which would change the world forever. Jesus knew his mission to spread God's kingdom on earth was for everyone, everywhere and all times. The way he ensured this was to leave us for heaven and send out ordinary men and women, apostles and disciples to bring his word and work to all throughout the ages and to us today.

The feast today of the Ascension is what we might call, 'Upwards and Onwards'. The Lord has moved into a new way of life, being with us now from heaven. Our faith is that he is caring all the time for us and for his church. Pope St John 23rd used to pray at night: "Ah Lord, I'm tired and going to bed. it's your church, so look after it!". We try our best as his disciples to work with him and the community of the church in his service.

In times when the church is under a lot of pressure, both inside and outside, we need to work in prayer with the Lord and in listening to his word. Also, in working together, like the apostles, we are sent each day in his name. We do this in ordinary love in our relationships and in caring for those most in need as best we can. We show our living Christian faith in our acts of loving care – the care we show for the marginalized and the dispossessed in our own communities or those who have been driven to our shores by war or climate change.

His last words were to assure us of this presence which 'would clothe us from on high' and his last gesture was a blessing. As we bless ourselves today and during the week, we can recall that in this action, the Lord is blessing us.

In your name and power O Lord, I want to live my life in love. Amen.

*Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger.*

**Jesus' Story** *Liam Hickey*

Jesus tells his friends that He has to go home to Heaven. He asks them not to be sad, because He will send His Spirit to be with them always in their hearts. Then with His Hand He blessed them. God Our Father is like a very big Hand, giving blessings to us and all the world all the time. We can give joy to others with our hands, helping others, giving a hug, playing games, and working.