MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

27th November 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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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

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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, Parish Radio 99FM OUR MAIN CHURCH SERVICES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON LINE VIA OUR PARISH WEBCAM @ MONASTEREVINPARISH.IE **CHARITY TAX NO. CHY 7355**

Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Saturday 26th November 2022, 6.30pm Mass

Patrick Kelly, Old Grange (Months Mind), Manie Harrison, Ann Marie Harrison, Buddy Harrison. 1383 St. Evin's Park, Kathleen Keenan, Deceased Members of the Keenan Family, Bridie Kenna. Cloneygath & Togher Road, Michael Kenna, Cloneygath, Jim Mannion, Donore, Seamus, Rose & Patrick Heavey, Tommy & Maeve Hall, Rachel Colgan, Nellie Maher, St. Evin's Park, Ned & Mary Molloy, Numey, Mary & Jim McRedmond, Lughill, Ray Greely, Monasterevin, Peg & Billy Nolan, Wicklow, Rose Cullen, Hybla, Daniel Fitzpatrick, Borris in Ossary, Stan Cosgrove, Sr. Mary Rose, Ann Curran, Rosie Gallagher, Maura Walsh, Delores Keogh, Joe, Billy & Molly Donoher, Shindella,

Sunday 27th November 2022, 9.00am Mass

Breda Enright, Michael Hall (Jnr), 1410 St. Evin's Park, Joseph Byrne, Hill View, Ballykelly, James & Nora Kennedy, Pluckerstown, Allen,

Sunday 27th November 2022, 11.30am Mass

Patrick & Michael Nolan, Kildangan, John O'Neill, Sean O' Neill, Annie, Michael & Peter Eustace. Aubrey Hope, Michael Eustace (Jnr), Olivier Porter (Birthday Remembrance), Cis Lawlor. Quinsboro, Sean McLoughlin, Cowpasture, Meo Byrne, Ballykelly & Sligo, Michael Byrne, Sligo, George, Babs, & Kathleen Byrne, Ballykelly, Sylvester & Bridget Dunne, Kilpatrick, Carmel & Denis Lawlor, Fassaugh, Maureen & Tom Dunne, Kilpatrick, Peter, Mag & Cyril Dunne, No 3 Kill, Josie Hughes, Nurney Road, Patrick & Mary Mahon, Passlands, Joseph Byrne, Hill View. Ballvkellv.

Tuesday 29th November 2022, 10.00am Mass

John O'Neill (Birthday Remembrance)

Wednesday 30th November 2022, 10.00am Mass Patrick Kaye, Umey, Cloneygowan.

Friday 2nd December 2022, 10,00am Mass

Phil Doyle, 1245 St. Evins Park.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST First Sun in Advent Saturday 3rd December 2022 6.30pm: Cathy Cullen, Pat Ryan, Hannah Duffy

Sunday 4th December 2022 9.00am: Teresa Martin, Lily Donoghue, Mary Lawlor

11.30am: Rita McDonnell, Marie Lawless, Ann Whelan

READERS

Sat: 3rd December 2022

Sun: 4th December 2022 9.00am: Grainne Stapleton 11.30am: Eileen Riordan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Sunday 11th December 2022

Team A Sr. Phil, Elaine Kavanagh, Katie Walsh, Jackie Quinn

LOTTO

29th November 2022

TEAM B: Mary Sweeney, Mary Doyle

CHOIR

Saturday 3rd December 2022 6.30pm: Victor Kennedy Sunday 4th December 2022 11.30am: Tommy McGlynn

Weekly Collection

Envelopes: €345.00 Baskets:

€985.00

Monasterevin Parish Lotto Draw Results 22/11/2022 Numbers Drawn 1, 8, 21, 23

Next Weeks Jackpot €15,600 No Winner

Promoter €20 Marie Breen A. Kelly €20 Deirdre Curran Ger

€20 Ella Campi P.O. €20 Shane Sweeney Mary

€20 Michael McLoughlin A. Kelly Next Draw 29/11/2022 Thanks for your support

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto Draw Results 21/11/2022

Numbers Drawn

13, 18, 19, 24 Next Weeks Jackpot €10,000 No Winner

€20 Miriam Kelly C/O A. Kelly

C/O B, Fitz

Deirdre

€20 Seamie Whyte C/O S. Whyte €20 Sandra Brennan C/O P. Donoher

€20 Marie & Rose C/O M. Heavey

€20 Julie Fardy

MONASTEREVIN GFC Weekly Draw 18/11/ 2022

€100 Billy Ransome 50 Eoin Stapleton

Dominic € 25 Gerry Byrne P. Earley 25 Peg & Mag Bingo

Seller: Deirdre Ransome

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



St John's Church Monasterevin

THURSDAY 1st Dec 2022

MUSIC

CONCERT

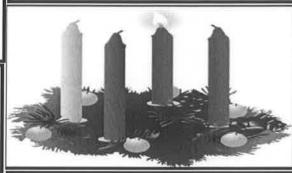
8.00 pm.

Featuring: The Monasterevin Ğospel Choir and guest performers

Admission € 10.00

ROSARY IN ST EVIN'S GRAVEYARD SUNDAY 27th NOVEMBER AT 3PM.

Prayers & music will be offered in St Evin's cemetery at 3pm to remember all who have died in our parish over the last year & who are buried in all our cemeteries over the years to remember them In November, the month of the Holy Souls



CAROL SERVICE

Carol Service in Sts. Peter and Paul Church on Wednesday 14th December 2022 at 7.30pm. With Monasterevin Gospel Choir.

All Welcome.

MONASTEREVIN PARISH CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2022

CAROL SERVICE

WEDNESDAY 14TH DECEMBER 2022 AT 7.30PM

CONFESSIONS SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION WITH GENERAL ABSOLUTION

TUESDAY 20TH DECEMBER 7,30 PM (FIVE PRIESTS PRESENT)

(IN CONFESSION BOX) **CHRISTMAS EVE**

SATURDAY 24TH DECEMBER 10.00 AM - 12.00 PM & 2.00 PM - 4.00 PM

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

SATURDAY 24th DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL 4.00 PM - CHILDREN'S MASS

9.00 PM - CANDLELIGHT WITH THE GOSPEL CHOIR

SUNDAY 25th DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS DAY 9.00 AM & 11.30 AM PARISH CHOIR

MONDAY 26th DECEMBER - ST. STEPHEN'S DAY 10 00 AM

COMMUNION TO THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

THURSDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2022

TUESDAY 27TH DECEMBER - THURSDAY 29TH DECEMBER

NO MASSES.

FRIDAY 30TH DECEMBER 10.00 AM

FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY MASS TIMES

FRIDAY 6th JANUARY 2023 10.00 AM & 7.30 PM

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

The annual Christmas Craft Fair takes place on Sunday 4th December from 12-4pm in Caragh Community Centre. It is home to over 25 exhibitors, filled with brightly decorated wooden stalls selling an array of Yuletide Gifts, Festive Food, Christmas Decorations, Hand-made Crafts, seasonal Treats and other unusual stocking fillers, for all ages and tastes. The ambience and layout of the Craft Fair offers visitors the opportunity to seek out and visit every stall. Our tearooms serve hot refreshments and festive treats. The Craft Fair is a wonderful experience and a great day out for meeting family, friends and neighbours. This is a craft Fair you won't want to miss. We look forward to seeing you there.

THE SVP ANNUAL COLLECTION

The SVP annual collection will take place at SuperValu & The Church Gate on Saturday the 10th & Sunday the 11th of December 2022



MONASTEREVIN PARISH PILGRIMAGE

ASSISI / ROME 25 - 31 May 2023

Monasterevin/Rathvilly Parish Pilgrimage

Accompanied by Fr. Liam Merrigan - Monasterevin Fr. John Mc Evoy - Rathvilly

> 2 Nights in Assisi 4 Nights in Rome

Visiting such Famous Sites as Vatican, Sistine Chapel, Catacombs, Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, St. Francis Basilica Assisi

With Papal Audience with Pope Francis on the Wednesday.

Cost €1,265 per person sharing.

More information and booking forms please contact the Parish Office. Monasterevin phone 045 525346 or Tully Travel, Carlow phone 059 9136180

CE SCHEME VACANCIES

Grounds Person Ellistown 2 Positions Grounds Person Ballykelly GFC Care Assistant Monasterevin Day Care Centre Grounds Person Monasterevin GFC

To apply please call into Monasterevin Parish CE Office, Parish Centre, Drogheda Street, Monasterevin Telephone 045 525143

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 27th November 2022

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.

Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

GREETING

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of sin and division:

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you intercede for us with your Father:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. May almighty God have mercy on us.... \(\Lambda \text{men} \).



(The Gloria is omitted awaiting its Christmas Proclamation.)

OPENING PRAYER

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ with righteous deeds at his coming, so that, gathered at his right hand, they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 2: 1 - 5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz,

concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come the mountain of the

Temple of the Lord shall tower above the mountains and be lifted higher than the hills. All the nations will stream to it,

peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob

that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.

He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war.

O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 121: 1-2.4-5. 6-9

R. I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'

- I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.' And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 2. It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord.
 For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name.
 There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David.
- For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!'
- 4. For love of my brethren and friends I say: 'Peace upon you!'
 For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good.

SECOND READING Romans 13:11 - 14 A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon - let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too

must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

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

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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, 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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make, gathered from among your gifts to us, and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below gain for us the prize of eternal redemption. 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.



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.

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May these mysteries, O Lord, in which we have participated, profit us, we pray, for even now, as we walk amid passing things, you teach us by them to love the things of heaven and hold fast to

Through Christ our Lord.

what endures.

THE ADVENT WREATH

The circle of evergreen leaves stands for God who is without beginning and without end.
The purple ribbon and three purple candles

The purple ribbon and three purple candles stand for penance and sorrow for sin. The red candle stands for joy of living in God's way of love.

Today the first purple candle is lit as we begin our preparations for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

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.

Go in peace.
Thanks be to God.





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Advent is a reminder that our life on earth is a preparation for the life of eternity in heaven; and that we wait for the coming of Christ to take us home.





The of today's Gospel on this First Sunday of Advent is to "Keep Awake" for we never know what life may bring. As recent events in our country and around the world this year have shown us, everything can change in an instant, with a phone call, an accident, the death of someone we love. These are the

moments that stop us in our tracks. They come unexpectedly, like a 'thief in the night'. As we begin Advent, a season of joy and expectation, this might seem like a gloomy gospel to reflect on. Its tone is apocalyptic, but when Matthew was writing his Gospel, his community had these questions at the forefront of their minds: When will Jesus return? What signs will there be? Why is it taking so long? Jesus does not offer an answer to this question except to say, 'Keep awake!' Instead of worrying about questions that we cannot possibly know the answer to, we might remember that what is important is how we are living now, today, in the present moment. Are we living aware of Christ present here and now in each person and in all of creation? Awakening to this miracle of universal love is a second coming or re-awakening we can get on board with.

Advent is a very special time, a liminal space where we are full of expectant hope. It is an opportunity to take stock and see what is truly important; then we can experience the true joy which the season offers. Today's gospel invites us to be ready, not on tenterhooks and full of anxiety, but to be attentive, with open hearts, so that God's grace and love can enter once more this Christmas. It is through such an awareness that we can reflect on where we are being called to use our gifts and talents to work together for a more just world.

Jane Mellett, Laudato Sí Officer, Trócaire

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Come Lord Jesus, Come and be born in our hearts, this Christmas. Jesus was born in Mary's heart first, when she listened to the Angel, and she said "Yes."

Then she went quickly to help her cousin, Elizabeth, who was expecting a baby. To see ways that we can help others at home, at work, and to share our gifts, and be attentive to God's blessing is the best way to celebrate Christmas.

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