

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

26th March 2023

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.

Parish Office
045 525346

Adrienne M^cCormack
Mary Kilbride
Anna Pedrak
Simona Grajauskaite

Opening Hours:

Monday - Thursday
9.00am to 4.30pm

Friday:
9.00am to 4.00pm

Closed for Lunch 1.00pm- 1.30pm

Safe Guarding of Children Diocesan Designated Liaison Person :

Mr. Michael Daly
c/o Bishops House
Old Dublin Road
Carlow
Ph: 085 8021633
**Parish Safeguarding
Representatives**
Ellen Galvin
Mary Moore

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**
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Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Please pray for the repose of the Soul of Catherine (Kitty) Kelly, Grangebeg,
 Kildare Town / Newbridge, who was interred during the week. R.I.P.

Saturday 25th March 2023, 6.30pm Mass

Billy Nicholls, St. Evin's Park, Jean Murphy (nee Hackett), Mary Collins, 927 Gurteennoona,
 Deceased Members of the Collins and Kenna Families, Elizabeth Donoghue, Hybla,
 Christy Murray, Ballyfarsoon, Rose Lalor, St. Evin's Park, Deceased Members of the Lalor
 Family, Mr. Jack & Mai O'Connell, Rathangan, Michael Dowling (Snr.) Gurteennoona &
 Deceased Members of Dowling Family, Ballyfarsoon, Deceased Members of the Murray
 Family Augrusbeg, Connamara, James Blake, Larchill, May Malone, Elizabeth Dunne,
 Cushina, Jody Slattery, Portarlinton, Jason Kelly, Bell Harbour, (Birthday Rem), Phyllis
 Dunne, Passlands, Brigid McCormack, Clondown,

Sunday 26th March 2023, 9.00 am Mass

Jean Murphy (nee Hackett), Jack Mahon & his Parents Andrew & Elizabeth Mahon

Sunday 26th March 2023, 11.30 am Mass

William N. Cleary, Larch Hill, Gerard Reddy, Ballykelly, P. Foran, Coolnafearagh, Jean
 Murph (nee Hackett), Mr. Jack & Mai O'Connell, Rathangan, Elizabeth Donoghue, Hybla,
 Jack Mahon, Grange, Sean O'Neill, (Birthday Rem), John O'Neill, Annie O'Neill, Pat Casey,
 formerly Riverstown, Deceased Members of the Casey Family, Christopher Cooper,
 Brooklawns,

Thursday 30th March 2023, 10.00 am Mass

Margaret Glennon

Friday 31st March 2023, 10.00am

Roseanne Keogh, Athy

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection:- € 370.00
 Baskets Collection: € 1810.00

Irish Catholic on sale at altar rails. Price €2.50

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST PALM SUNDAY:

Saturday 1st April 2023.
 6.30pm - Mary Doyle, Dan Clancy,
 Jacqueline Kennedy

Sunday 2nd April 2023.
 9.00am - Andrew Mahon, Davina
 Weldon, Lily Donoghue
 11.30am - Mary O'Leary, Rita
 McDonnell, Marie Lawless

LOTTO

28th March 2023 TEAM C:

Rita McDonnell,
 Gertie Byrne,
 Ger Harrison

CHOIR

Sat: 1st April 2023 6.30pm :Tom Forde

Sun: 2nd April 2023 11.30 am: Alain Reigh

READERS

Sat 1st April 2023.

6.30pm: Ger Harrison

Sun 2nd April 2023

9.00pm: John Dooley
 11.30pm: Billy Cleary

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 23rd April 2023 Team A:

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

Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results 21/03/2023

Numbers Drawn :

3, 9, 11, 17

Next Weeks Jackpot €1,000

Winner : John O'Connell

c/o M. Heavey

Winners

€20 Páraic Kelly

€20 And.

€20 Nan Moore

€20 Mary Dowling

€20 William Whelehan

Promoter

P. Kelly

G. Byrne

G. Harrison

R. McDonald

A. Kelly

Next Draw 28/03/2023

Thanks for your continued support

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto

Draw Results 20/03/2023

Numbers Drawn :

6 7 12 15

Next Weeks Jackpot €10,000

No Winner

Winners

€20 Aaron & Robbie

€20 Jay D

€20 Marie Heavey

€20 Edwina & Angela

€20 Anne Donoghue

Promoter

R. McDonnell

P. Donohoe

M. Heavey

M. Casey

E. Donoghue

Next draw: 27/03/2023

Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C. Weekly Draw Results: 16/03/2023

1st: Liam Farrell Gary
 2nd: Shannon Harrison Buddy
 3rd: Graine Stapleton Dominic
 4th: Caroline Hughes J. Connolly
 Seller: Gary Farrell

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT VACANCIES:

Grounds Person Ellistown GFC,
 Ref CES-2246748

Cleaner Ellistown GFC
 Re CES-2266790

**2 Caretakers Monasterevin
 Community Centre**
 Ref CES-2266702

**3 Care Assistants Monasterevin
 Day Centre**
 Ref CES-2253280.

To apply please call into Community
 Employment Office in Parish Centre
 Drogheda Street or
 telephone
045-525143

HELP WANTED

Cleaner wanted
 5 hours per week
 in Monasterevin

CONTACT:

John 087 6693710

TIMETABLE EASTER MASS

Palm Sunday, 2nd April 2023

Vigil Mass 6.30p.m.
 Mass 9.00a.m. And 11.30a.m.

Monday, 3rd April 2023 Penitential Service 7.30p.m.

(Open Confession - 5 Priests
 available)

Holy Thursday, 6th April 2023

Mass 7.30 p.m.
 Adoration at Altar of Repose
 after 7.30p.m. Mass Our Lady's
 Chapel Until 10.00p.m.

Good Friday, 7th April 2023

Confessions 11.00a.m. to 12.00noon and
 2.00p.m. to 3.00p.m.

Stations of the Cross 3.00p.m.

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion 7.30p.m.

Holy Saturday, 8th April 2023

Confessions 11.00a.m to 12.00 noon

Easter Vigil Mass 6.30 p.m.

Easter Sunday, 9th April 2023 Mass 9.00a.m. And 11.30a.m.

CEMETERY MASSES 2023

St. Evin's
 Monday 12th June at 7.30pm

Passlands
 Tuesday 13th June at 7.30pm

Lackagh
 Wednesday 14th June at 7.30pm

Yewtree
 Thursday 15th June at 7.30pm

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Calling all adorers of the blessed
 Sacrament in this Diocese, the National
 Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock
 is on Sunday 23rd April (2nd weekend
 after Easter) and all are welcome.
 For bus enquiries phone Margaret
 087 9793005

LENTEN PRAYER

Fill my heart with Your love
 and keep me faithful to the
 Gospel of Christ.
 Give me the grace to rise above
 my human weakness.
 Give me new life by Your
 Sacraments, especially the
 Mass.



EASTER PRIEST'S COLLECTION

Can all those who distribute
 envelopes for the Easter Priest's
 Collection please call to the
 Parish Office this coming week
 Monday 27th March to collect
 the envelopes.

Spare envelopes are available at
 the back of the Church.

Anyone wishing to pay by
 cheque please make cheque
 payable to Monasterevin Parish.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

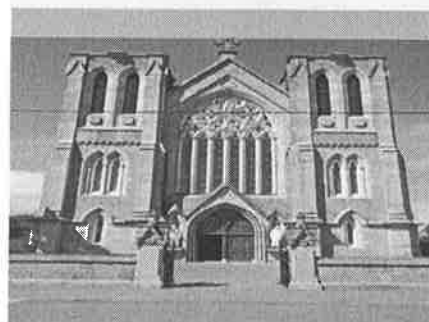
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Martin "Murt"
 Rowan would like to extend our
 sincere appreciation to all of those
 who provided us with great strength
 in coping with this immense loss.

To those who expressed
 condolences, called to our home,
 sent flowers, provided food and
 attended the funeral - we are very
 thankful. To Fr. Liam for his
 compassion and understanding and
 to those who showed Dad care and
 kindness during his illness - we
 appreciate it. To Maher's Funeral
 Directors - The professional and
 personal service that was provided
 gave us great comfort.

Finally, to our extended family,
 friends and the local community -
 your support was unwavering and
 we will be forever grateful.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

GREETING

In the name of the Father..... **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

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.... **Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING **Ezekiel 37: 12-14**

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this - it is the Lord who speaks.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps. 129**

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. **(R)**
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. **(R)**
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.) **(R)**
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. **(R)**

SECOND READING **Romans 8: 8-11**

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; who ever believes in me will never die. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

GOSPEL **John 11:3-7,17,20-27,33-45 (Shorter Form Only)**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already.

When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.'

Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.'

Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you

are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart,

'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me. But I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.' When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

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, 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

Hear us, almighty God, and, having instilled in your servants the teachings of the Christian faith, graciously purify them by the working of this sacrifice. 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....

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We pray, almighty God, that we may always be counted among the members of Christ, in whose Body and Blood we have communion. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

Bless, O Lord, your people, who long for the gift of your mercy, and grant that what, at your prompting, they desire they may receive by your generous gift. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

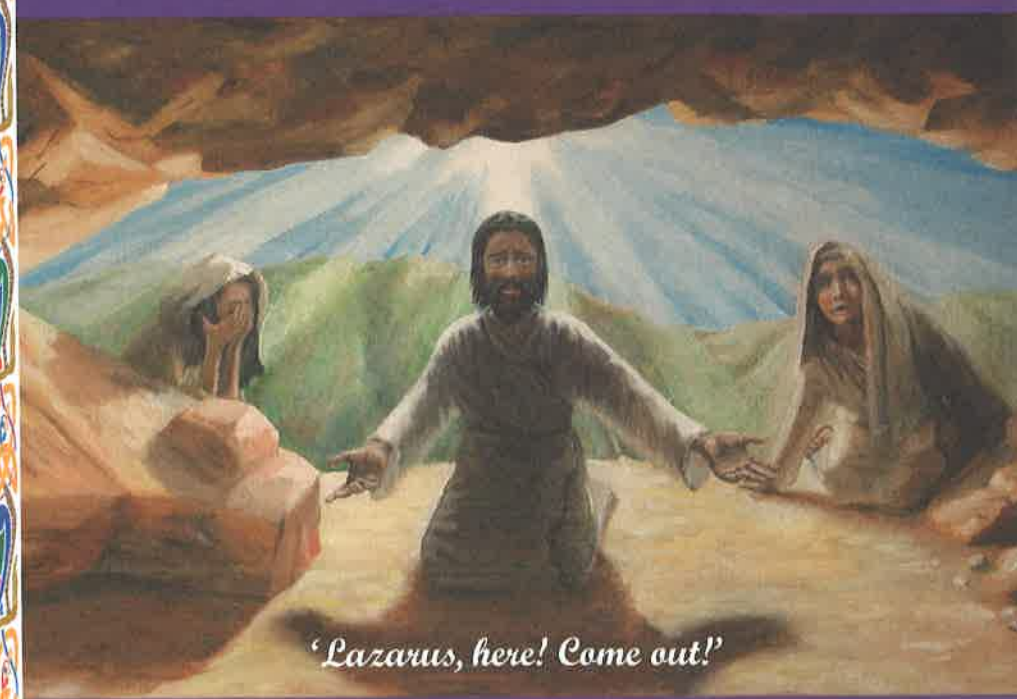
May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son,* and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. **Thanks be to God.**

focus on sunday

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 26th March 2023

The gospel of Jesus is one of hope. In raising someone from death he promises companionship, hope and eternal presence to all his people. This is the message of Christian hope.



'Lazarus, here! Come out!'



The raising of Lazarus is a strange story – it is not about the afterlife but about coming back to the present life and living it fully. The writers knew Jesus as the God of the living. We also get to see Jesus, as a man, grieving for his friend and as the Son of God

raising him from the dead.

I think of Lazarus coming back with new light in his eyes. Had he seen a bit of what is to come? Jesus comes to bring life and to the full.

We kill ourselves on the inside often. Grief can overcome us; we can live with anger for years. We need the shared love that comes from being heard, being listened to; and we need the faith that comes from our love of God, often the love of faith. Pope Francis lists three elements of Prayer – Faith, Perseverance and Courage.

The call from Jesus is to live to the full; with love and prayer; and to us to unbind each other from what cripples our spirits. We live life to the full in our care for those in need: the freedom of the migrant arriving here to a world which will not torture them and will give them their dignity; of the young person scared of exams and unemployment and wondering will they ever find real love; for all of us when fear and worry and anxiety gets us down.

In the time of bereavement Martha shared her grief with Jesus. Death will always call on our faith, as it did for the friends of Jesus. We can do that in what keeps us down in life. She looked to him and prayed to him for hope and new life. Prayer like that is also the door to a freer life.

Donal Neary SJ (Editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



Lazarus died and Jesus gives him new breath again, to remind us that God Our Father promises new life and joy to all people who pass through death. Life passes, but is not ended. So we ask our dear departed family and friends to pray for us.