MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

14th May 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 McCormack 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

CHARITY TAX NO. **CHY 7355**

Mary Moore



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 13th May 2023, 6.30pm Mass

Tonv Breen (Month's Mind), Joe Keane, Lackaghbeg & Fethard, Co. Tipperary, James & Elizabeth Behan & Deceased Members of the Behan Family, Naas, Ted Cahill formerly Cowpasture & Deceased Members of the Cahill Family, Cowpasture, Catherine & Matthew Cummins & Deceased Members of the Cummins Family, Cowpasture, Margaret (Gret) Meaney, Carlow & Monasterevin, Teddy Ryan, Gurteenoona, Lily Burke, Bridget Finn, Mary Brigid (Bab) Byrne & Deceased Members of the Byrne Family, Ballykelly & Sligo, Tony Woods, Michael Rodgers, Nellie Maher, St. Evin's Park, Michael Knight, Ballyfarsoon, (Birthday Rem), Elizabeth Lennon, Jimmy Lennon, Patrick Moran, Mary Moran, Margaret Moran, Patrick Moran (Jnr.).

Sunday 14th May 2023, 9.00 am Mass

Margaret (Gret) Meaney, Carlow & Monasterevin, Eddie Melia, Gurteenoona, Deceased Members of the Donoher family, Umeras, Alice & Myles Christie.

Sunday 14th May 2023, 11,30 am Mass

Betty (Elizabeth) Smyth, Patrick (Paddy) Smyth, Mountrice & Deceased Members of the Smyth & Lawlor Families. Margaret (Gret) Meaney, Carlow & Monasterevin, Denis Meredith, Skirteen, Thomas Forde, Cowpasture, Mary McGuinness, Moore Abbey, Marie Cleary, Moore Abbey. Mary Brigid (Bab) Byrne & Deceased Members of the Byrne Family, Ballykelly & Sligo, Teresa & Michael Kevin, St. Evin's Park, Richard & Sheila Underwood, Thomas Knight, Ballyfarsoon.

> Tuesday 16th May 2023, 10.00 am Mass Larry Melia, Manchester, (Months Mind).

Wednesday 17th May 2023, 10.00 am Mass Briget Nugent (née) Morgan, Kylebeg Terrace, Sarah & Jimmy Doyle, Athy formerly Kylebeg Terrace, Judy Nolan, Clonev, Athy.

> Thursday 18th May 2023, 10.00 am Mass Eddie Melia, 1033 Gurteenoona.

LOTTO 16/05/2023

TEAM: A

Pauline Duffy, Lilly Donoghue

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 395.00 Baskets Collection: € 915.00

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 11th June 2023 Team B

Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly, Anna Duffy

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST Ascension

Saturday 20th May 2023. 6.30pm - Pauline Murphy, Ger Harrison, Cathy Cullen

Sunday 21st May 2023.

0.00am - Anne McLoughlin, Teresa Martin, Lily Donoghue 11.30am - Rita McDonnell, Marie Lawlor, Ann Whelan

CHOIR

Sat: 20th May 2023 .30pm: Victor Kennedy

Sun: 21st May 2023 1.30 am: Gary Farrell

READERS

Sat 20th May 2023. 6.30pm: Ger Harrison

Sun 21st May 2023

9.00am: Sr. Angela 11.30am: Eileen O'Reardon Monasterevin Parish Lotto Draw Results 09/05/2023 Numbers Drawn:

2, 9, 11, 16 Next Weeks Jackpot €1.200 NO WINNER:

Promoter

Winners €20 Anne Melia c/o Joe €20 Pauline Earlev c/o R. C. €20 Christina McHale

c/o Parish Office €20 Bridie Bailey c/o Marie Heavey €20 Teresa Mahon c/o D. Mahon

Next Draw 16/05/2023 Thanks for your continued support

> Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto Draw Results 08/05/2023 Numbers Drawn:

6, 18, 20, 24 Next Weeks Jackpot €10,000

No Winner Winners Promoter €20 Aidan Gill c/o Club Shop

€20 John Kaye G. Harrison €20 Olivia O'Rourke G. Martin

€20 Mary Tobin A. Kelly €20 Aidan Morrissev M. Heavey Next draw: 15/05/2023

Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C. Weekly Draw Results: 5/05/2023

1st: 2nd: 3rd: 4th:

Seller:

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

NIAMH KAVANAGH MONASTEREVIN GOSPEL CHOIR

In Concert Friday 13th October 2023 at 8pm.

> St. Peter & Paul's Church Tickets €30.00

Booking at: Parish Office 045 525346 Earley's Fashion Shop 045 525395

In aid of St. Peter & Paul's Church & Monasterevin Tidy Towns.

> Concert will NOT be Live Streamed on the Night.

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.



FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations and best wishes to the children from St. Evins National School who are making their First Holy Communion next weekend.

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

Parish Office

We have a Beautiful New Arrangement of various Gifts and Cards in stock for Special Occasions: such as Confirmation, Holy Communion, Birth of a Child, or just for that special person.

Call in and our friendly staff will be delighted to look after you.

CEMETERY MASS DATES

Nurnev:

St. Brigid's Cemetery Friday 9th June 7.30p.m.

Monasterevin:

St. Evin's Cemetery Monday 12th June 7.30p.m.

Kildangan:

Ballybracken Cemetery Friday 16th June 7.30p.m.

Harristown:

Cemetery Thursday 29th June 7.30p.m

PADRE PIO'S GLOVE

St. Pio's Glove will be in Fitzpatrick's House,

Kilberry, Athy, Co. Kildare

Saturday 3rd June, 2023 11.00am - 5.00pm

Items of St. Pio will be available on the For information call Ann 085 1696189

Everyone Welcome

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to babies Ellie, Ann Brennan, Noah, Thomas Clarke, Páidí, Gerald Fitzpatrick, Ben, Patrick Harrison, Margo, Mary, Bracken Kinahan & Oisín, Tiernan Brett, who were baptised by Fr. Liam Merrigan on Saturday 6th May 2023.



ALL IRELAND ROSARY RALLY IN KNOCK

The All Ireland Rosary Rally will take place on Saturday June 3rd from 1pm in Knock.

It will include Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Stations of the Cross and a talk by Bishop Oliver Doeme.

The main Celebrant for the Holv Mass is Archbishop Eamon Martin.

A bus will leave from Kildare.

Please book your seat early to avoid disappointment. Ring Niamh: 086 1758458.

AFRICA DAY 2023

"I am because we are" UBUNTU

Strength in diversity

Venue: Monasterevin Community Centre. Whelan's Row W34 FH24

Date: Saturday May 20th 2023 Time: 1pm - 4pm

The Irish Catholic Newspaper is on sale at the altar rails. Price €2.50

MONASTEREVIN DRAMA GROUP

Monasterevin Drama Group is seeking new members for roles and backstage.

No experience needed! There's a place for everyone in Drama - why not join in the fun?

> Every Tuesday 8pm in Monasterevin Council Hall



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard:

proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

GREETING

In the name of the FatherAmen. 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.....

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, almighty God,

that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 8: 5 - 8. 14 - 17. A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for

the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 65: 1-7. 16.20

R. Cry out with joy to God all the earth. or Alleluia!

- Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
 O sing to the glory of his name.
 O render him glorious praise.
 Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!'
- 'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men. [R]
- 3. He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dryshod.

 Let our joy then be in him; he rules forever by his might.
- 4. Come and hear, all who fear God.
 I will tell what he did for my soul.
 Blessed be God who did not reject
 my prayer
 nor withhold his love from me.

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3: 15 - 18 A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

GOSPEL **John 14: 15-21**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer

see me;
but you will see me,
because I live and you will live.
On that day you will understand
that I am in my Father
and you in me and I in you.
Anybody who receives my
commandments and keeps them
will be one who loves me;
and anybody who loves me
will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself
to 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,

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

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love. Through Christ our Lord.

Focus on sunday

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

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The mystery of faith.

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

THE SIGN OF PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God,

who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food.

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.

Go in peace, Thanks be to God.



Wherever the love and compassion of Jesus is present; there we find his Spirit. Wherever his people try to spread some justice and equality, we find his Spirit. In any work of reconciliation or of peace, his Spirit is present. We are called to be people who spread the work and the presence of his Spirit.



Focus

"And you in me and I in you"

We continue to read this Sunday from the Farewell Discourse of John's Gospel (Ch 14-17) where Jesus is consoling the disciples, "I will not leave you orphaned"; he will send an "advocate"

(paraklētos) to them. This term is only found in John's writings and translates as a helper, a comforter, someone whom you call to your aid. Jesus has been this advocate for the disciples but now he will be present for them in a different way, dwelling amongst them, dwelling in them, in-dwelling. This in turn calls for a loving response from the disciples and from all followers of Christ.

In a famous reflection, Joseph Whelan SJ, wrote about this type of love; he said, "Nothing is more practical than finding God, than falling in Love in a quite absolute, final way." This love will decide everything, what gets you up in the morning, how you spend your time, what breaks your heart, what amazes you. Whelan says, "Fall in Love, stay in love, and it will decide everything." Experiencing something of this indwelling presence of God and keeping God's commandments are deeply interconnected. This love will decide everything because it must flow outwards, be lived out in our daily lives, for it cannot be contained.

The words of the Gospel today are deeply intimate, they cannot be understood with the head, only with the heart. As we spend time with them we begin to realise that it is not just the disciple's story, it is also our story, a story we experience on a deep level. It is another reminder to us that all beings are sacred, all beings carry Divine DNA within. Let us begin again to see God present within ourselves, in others and in all of creation.

"We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Pierre Teilhard de Chardin.

Jane Mellett, Laudato Sí Officer, Trócaire

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Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus tells that His Spirit will be with us, living in our hearts, enlightening our minds. Signs of The Spirit are everywhere, the breath we take, the sun that gives heat and light, the joy, colour, delight in Nature, smiles, friendship, helping hands, new ideas and inventions. Another name for Spirit is Love. May the love in our hearts grow as we follow the Way of Jesus.

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