MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

21st 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 D etails:

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

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

Please pray the repose of the Soul of Tony Duffy Lackagh, Monasterevin, Kildare, who was interred during the week. R.I.P.

Saturday 20th May 2023, 6.30pm Mass

Sr. Fionnuala Byme Moore Abbey Convent & Ballagh (1st. Anniversary), Kathleen Sharpe, 1004
Cowpasture, Kathleen (Cait) Cowley, Alice Jarman (née Dowling), Jim & Marie Dowling, Rachel
Colgan, Peter Eustace, Annie, Michael, Michael (Jnr) Eustace, Annie O'Neill, John O'Neill, Sean
O'Neill, Aubrey Hope, May Malone, Quinsboro, (Birthday Remembrance).

Sunday 21st May 2023, 9.00 am Mass

Kathleen Sharpe, 1004 Cowpasture, Fay McDonald, Main Street, Mary Dempsey, Ballagh,
(Birthday Remembrance), Paddy (Joe) Fitzpatrick, Kilberry, Malcom Fitzpatrick, Kilberry, Daniel
Fitzpatrick, Kilberry.

Sunday 21st May 2023, 11.30 am Mass

Mary & James Earley, Clogheen & Deceased Members of the Earley & Houlihan Families,
Kathleen Sharpe, 1004 Cowpasture, Patrick Carroll, Lughill.

LOTTO 23/05/2023

TEAM: B

Mary Sweeney, Mary Doyle

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 425.00 Baskets Collection: € 1310.00 CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 11th June 2023 Team B

Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly, Anna Duffy

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST Pentecost

Saturday 27th May 2023. 6.30pm - Pat Ryan, Hannah Duffy, Mary Doyle

Sunday 28thMay 2023. 9.00am - Paddy Clarke, Devina Weldon

Andrew Mahon 11.30am - Mary O'Leary, Ann Fearon, Carmel McAlindon <u>CHOIR</u>

Sat: 27th May 2023 6.30pm: Tom Forde

Sun: 28th May 2023 11.30 am: Gospel Choir READERS

Sat 27th May 2023. 6.30pm: Ger Harrison

Sun 28th May 2023

9.00am: Sr. Angela 11.30am: Eileen O'Reardon Monasterevin Parish Lotto Draw Results 16/05/2023 Numbers Drawn: 12 13 16 18

Next Weeks Jackpot €1, 400 NO WINNER:

Winners Promoter

€20 B. McDermott A. Kelly

€20 .Chris Brady R. Callanan

€20 Christy Forde M. Heavey

€20 Stephen Molloy R. Callanan

€20 Doris Forde R. Callanan

Next Draw 23/05/2023
Thanks for your continued support

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto
Draw Results 15/05/2023
Numbers Drawn:
12 17 19 27

Next Weeks Jackpot €10,000 No Winner

 Winners
 Promoter

 €20 Caroline Martin
 G. Martin

 €20 Ann Hanlon
 Shop

 €20 Joanna Moore
 P. Moore

 €20 Mary Moore
 Finlays

 €20 John Moore
 Finlays

Next draw: 22/05/2023
Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C. Weekly Draw Results: 12/05/2023

1st:Keith QuinnCatherine2nd:Aidan MorrisseyJenny3rd:Nicole WalshS. M.4th:Tom BarrettJennySeller: Catherine Quinn

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 <u>NOT</u> be Live Streamed on the Night.

INVITATION

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



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

NOTICE

An Spioraid Naoimh Praying Community Pentecost Retreat Go to www. Spioraidnaoimh.com for full programme.

Friday 26th May: Maryborough Room Parish Centre St. Peters & Paul's Church Portlaoise

Exposition @ 7.00 pm followed by Holy Mass; Celebrant Fr. David Vard C.C

Saturday 27th St. Peters & Paul's Church

Portlaoise & Parish Centre Maryborough Room

Holy Mass at 10.00 am confessions available.

Programme continues in Parish

Centre.

Closing Mass at 4.00 pm Celebrant:
Fr. Ruairi O'Domhnaill P.P.

All are welcome. Bring a packed lunch.

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 & a talk by Bishop Oliver Doeme.

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

A bus will leave from Kildare.

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

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

Price €2.50

COLLECTION

For our Retired Priests

KILDARE AND LEIGHLIN

ANNUAL DIOCESAN

Takes place
26th, 27th & 28th May
2023

Please give generously to continue the support of our Retired Priests.

Thank you

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

NURNEY.

St. Brigid's Cemetery Friday 9th June 7.30pm

MONASTEREVIN.

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

KILDANGAN.

Ballybracken Cemetery Friday16th June 7.30pm

HARRISTOWN.

Cemetery
Thursday 29th June 7.30pm

FIRST COMMUNION

Congratulations to the girls from St. Evins National School who made their First Holy Communion this weekend.

PUBLIC MEETING

Monasterevin Pipe Band Memories Group

Thursday 1st June 2023, at 8.30pm Monasterevin Community Centre, Main St., Monasterevin.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Exhibition of Memorabilia & Discussion Re the Disposal of Pipes & Drums etc. or / and Establishment of a New Pipe Band

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 came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness:

Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You will come in glory with salvation for your people:

Lord, have mercy and have mercy

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 Begollen 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.
- 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)
- 3. 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.

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 Matthew 28:16-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

The eleven disciples set out for Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had arranged to meet them. When they saw him they fell down before him, though some hesitated. Jesus came up and spoke to them. He said, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

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,

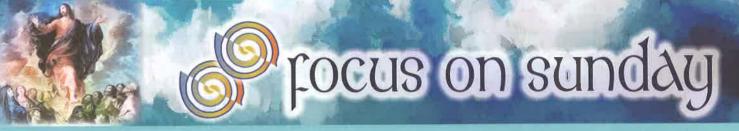
All bow for following two lines: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate. was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the 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.



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.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (World Communications Day) 21st May 2023

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.

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

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 Fother, and the Son, Frank the Hole

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.



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.



Focus +

Know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.

When children grow up and leave home to begin a life on their own, both parents and children feel the truth of those words, 'Know that I am with you always.' The child's leaving home may be necessary so their love for parents, and vice versa, can come to full bloom.

It was only many years after my parents were gone did I come to realise what a phenomenal blessing they had been to me. I shed my tears at their loss and wondered about getting on with life without them. Absence makes the heart grow fonder. Now, almost fifty years later, I feel stronger towards them than I did while they were alive.

Jesus told his disciples on the night before he died that unless he went away the Spirit would not come to them. The mystery of the Ascension celebrates the mysterious reality of Jesus' presence in his absence. Today's feast is not calling us to live in the darkness of Jesus' absence – sheer blind and cold faith in someone who is gone.

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you (Acts 1).

The Ascension celebrates, rather, the work of the Holy Spirit making us aware of the deep richness of Jesus in our midst: the meaning of his life and miracles and words for us today, and the conviction that he is still alive and with us. When we feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, comfort the sick and incarcerated, we are serving the very person of Christ risen and living in people everywhere.

Absence makes the heart grow fonder. I feel stronger towards my parents now than I did while they were alive. Jesus said that "unless I go the Spirit cannot come." The Spirit brought home more clearly to the disciples who Jesus really was.

Fr. Joe Walsh

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus friends wanted Him to stay with them forever. Jesus told them that He will stay with them, but in a new way, through The Holy Spirit, in their hearts. When He was on the mountain leaving, He told His Friends to tell all people that they have Three Special Friends in HeavenGod the Father who makes the sun shine on everyone - the good, and not so good, Jesus who came at Christmas, to be our forever Friend, and The Holy Spirit who gives life to all things.

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