MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

30th July 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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christine Adams (née Hackett) Lakeglen, Portlaoise, Laois / Monasterevin who was interred during the week R.I.P.

Saturday 29th July 2023, 6.30 pm Mass

Margaret Burke, Old Grange Avenue, John Dempsey, Umeras, Fr. Denis O'Sullivan, Pat & Teresa Foy, Ballyfarsoon, Peter Clifford, Bracknagh, Catherine Clifford, Bracknagh, Margaret Ryan, Limerick, Shaun Murphy, London, Antanio (P.I.D.) Rodrigues, Peter & Mary Dempsey, Ballagh, Deceased Members of the Kelly Family, Naas, Deceased Members of the Dowling Family, Ballybracken, Kildangan, Molly Rowan, Baby Mary Connolly. Ann Haves, Naas.

Sunday 30th July 2023, 9.00 am Mass

Mrs. Kathleen Kelly, Gurteenoona, Athy Road, (1st Anniversary), Rose Geraghty, Palmerstown. Anne & Paul Lynch, Mullacash, Naas, Deceased Members of the Kelly Family, Naas, Deceased Members of the Dowling Family, Ballybracken, Kildangan.

Sunday 30th July 2023, 11.30 am Mass

Fr. Denis O' Sullivan, Patrick Brady, Togher Wood, Patrick Archbold, Grange, Moore Abbey, Anne & Paul Lynch, Mullacash, Naas, Ann Kelly, formerly of Passlands, Patrick Havens, St. Evin's Park, Ann Hayes (Née) Havens, Naas, formerly Monasterevin, Elizabeth (Bettv) Tynan. Cowpasture, Elizabeth Donoghue, Hybla, (Birthday Remembrance), Deceased Members of the Kelly Family, Naas, Deceased Members of the Dowling Family, Ballybracken, Kildangan.

> Wednesday 2nd August 2023, 10.00am Mass Sr. Madeleine Lusk, (Birthday Remembrance).



LOTTO 1/08/2023

TEAM: C

Rita McDonnell, Gertie Byrne, Ger Harrison

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 400.00 Baskets Collection: € 1005.00

READERS

Sat 5th August 2023 6.30pm: Ger Harrison Sun 6th August 2023 9.00am: Sr. Angela 11.30am: Betty Cleary

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 5th August 2023 .30pm - Dan Clancy, Jacqueline Kennedy, Mary Ryan

Sunday 6th August 2023 9.00am- Teresa Martin, Lily Donoghue, Paddy Clarke 1.30am - Mary O'Leary, Carmel

McAlinden, Mary Lawlor

CHOIR

Sat: 5th August 2023 6.30pm:

Sun: 6th August 2023 11.30am:

OUR LADY'S CHAPEL

Please note there will be No holy hour 7.30pm to 8.30pm on Wednesday nights in Our Lady's Chapel for the months of July and August. Holy hour will resume



Monasterevin Parish Lotto Draw Results 25/07/2023 Numbers Drawn:

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Next Weeks Jackpot €1,000 WINNER: PHIL LEIGH

Winners Promoter €20 Eve Druhan G. Harrison €20 M. Donoher A. Kelly €20 Aoife Flynn R. Callanan €20 Caroline O'Neill M. Heavey

€20 Ber O'Connell R. McDonnell Next Draw 01/08/23 Thanks for your continued support

> Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto Draw Results 24/07/2023 Numbers Drawn:

6, 7, 11, 18. Next Weeks Jackpot €10,000 No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Margaret Donoher	S. Ryan
€20 Tina Cooke	G. Harrison
€20 Ann Holligan	A. Holligan
€20 John Coughlan	J. Coughlan
€20 Sandra Brennan	P. Donoher
Next draw: 31//07/2023	

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C. Weekly Draw Results: 21/07/2023

Thanks for your continued support

1st: Padraig Stapleton Dominic 2nd: Tom & Ursela Melia % Nags 3rd: Jim Shaughnessy Bingo 4th: Tom Dunne % Nags Seller: Dominic Stapleton

MONASTEREVIN HOPKINS ANNUAL FESTIVAL

Friday July 28 - Sunday 30 2023

Friday 28-30 **Community Centre** Art Exhibition opening Fri 4pm -6pm Saturday 1pm - 6pm Sunday 12 noon - 4.30pm

Gerard Manley Hopkin's Talks Community Centre Friday 4.30pm

Saturday Community Centre 10am - 1pm Lectures 2pm - 3.30pm Poetry Reading With Pat Boran et al at Monasterevin House. Presentation Generalate, Main Street.

All details on Gerard Manley Hopkins website.

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.

VISITING THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND.

Fr. Liam will visit the sick and housebound on Friday 4th August 2023. If you or a Member of your family would like a visit, please contact the Parish Office on 045 525346

Peter's Pence Collection

Peter's Pence Collection for the Pope to help Churches worldwide will be collected at all masses next weekend Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th August 2023.

BARROW BLUEWAY CASUAL CYCLE

Monasterevin - 2 Casual Cycling Groups - Get your bicycle and helmet and come join one of the Thursday casual cycling aroups.

Choose between a 12 noon family friendly cycle or the 7pm evening cycle.

The 12pm group meets at Clogheen Bridge/Old Council Yard Skirteen

The 7pm group meet at McConville's Supervalu Monasterevin to cycle at a steady relaxed pace covering different routes of the Barrow Blueway.

Simply turn up on Thursdays.







RATHANGAN CEMETERY MASS

Rathangan Cemetery Mass is on Sunday 30th July 2023 at 2.00pm



SVP ST. PETER & PAULS CONFERENCE CHURCH GATE **COLLECTIONS SATURDAY 29TH &** SUNDAY 30TH JULY 2023. PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY.

People in your community need help. Become a Volunteer today and help make a difference!

If you would like to Volunteer for a couple of hours a week Please visit www.svp.ie and click: GET INVOLVED Contact us: Enda Gleeson 01 8198405 Monasterevin 085 - 1209577 or volunteer@svp.ie

CHILDMINDER WANTED

Childminder wanted for twin babies 11 months. Starting end of August. Term time only in Childminders own house. Monasterevin/Rathangan area.

Contact 087 4098515

FUNDRAISING EVENT—TRACTOR RUN 30TH JULY

Tractor Run in aid of local Kildangan family affected by Motor Neurone Disease. Tractor run from the Crosskevs to Martin's of Kildoon. As part of this fundraising event there will be refreshments in the Crosskevs once the run has finished. Raffle and auction to be held on the day. We are seeking as many prizes as possible for the raffle and auction.

For further details contact committee members Catherine 089 2514083 Karen 086 8868920

Check in 11.30am. Start 1.00pm

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME **VACANCIES**

2 Care Assistants Monasterevin Day Care Centre 1 Cleaner Ellistown G.F.C.

Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over and in receipt of a qualifying social welfare payment for 1 year or more. Please contact the CE office in Monasterevin Parish Office or phone 045 525143. to check eligibility.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30th July 2023

FNTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy place. God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son. and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL RITE

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

O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 1 Kings 3:5.7-12

A reading from the first book of the Kings The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its

numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great? It pleased the

Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you."

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130

R. Lord how I love your law!

- 1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word. The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold.
- 2. Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant. Let your love come to me and I shall live
- 3. That is why I love your commands more than finest gold. That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways.

for your law is my delight.

4. Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it. The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple.

SECOND READING Romans 8: 28 - 30 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 13: 44-52 (*shorter form 13:44-46)

A reading from the holy Gospel according

*Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.*

'Again the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings

in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well. then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old."

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.



Lonfess one Baptism for the forgiveness

of the dead and the life of the world to come.

of sins and I look forward to the resurrection

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

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings which we bring from the abundance of your aifts.

that through the powerful working of your grace these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present way of life and lead us to eternal gladness. 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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, 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

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have consumed, O Lord, this divine Sacrament, the perpetual memorial of the Passion of your Son; grant, we pray, that this gift. which he himself gave us with love beyond all telling. may profit us for salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May he let his face shine upon you and show you his mercy. Amen.

May he turn his countenance towards you and give you his peace. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, Spirit, come down on you and remain with vou for ever. Amen.

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.

We choose good or evil often in our lives. To follow something good,

we reject paths which are less good. Following Christ means saying 'No' to

other riches. The gospel today is a call to be joyful

in giving up our bad habits for Jesus.

What is my treasure in life?

Focus

Hidden treasure

The three short parables in today's Gospel - comparing the kingdom of heaven to treasure, a pearl and a fishing net are unique to Matthew's Gospel. Jesus wants to show the

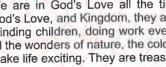
disciples, and us, that the Kingdom of God is precious - so precious that its discovery requires us to put aside everything else in order to immerse ourselves wholeheartedly in it. We are called to set aside all self-interest, judgement, all our certainties and live the kingdom values of humility, openness and compassion. Jesus emphasises that 'kingdom people' "bring out of their treasure what is new and what is old". This would have resonated with Matthew's community, a mix of Jews and Gentiles who were discerning the parameters of this 'new' movement.

Perhaps the fishing parable, the last in this series of parables, holds the key. It echoes the tone of the parable of the weeds among the wheat - everything is gathered in, a variety, "good" and "bad" alike. As he addresses his disciples, Jesus is aware that they are not perfect. Like us all, they have flaws and weaknesses. Yet we are called to this wide-open vision of Jesus, where all are gathered and none are excluded, and the hidden treasures of the kingdom are revealed. The diversity of this gathering is seen in Jesus' outreach to all those considered 'outside', sinners and tax collectors, Roman centurions, lepers, traitors and deniers. All are gathered. Today, may we look at our own communities and reflect on who is welcome, who is 'invited'.

Jane Mellett & Triona Doherty are the authors of The Deep End - A Journey through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Matthew, Messenger Publications, Dublin, 2022

Jesus' Story





We are in God's Love all the time, but we forget. When people find God's Love, and Kingdom, they always do loving actions, like caring and minding children, doing work everday, helping others, being grateful for all the wonders of nature, the colours of the day, the new inventions, that make life exciting. They are treasures that fill our hearts with surprise.

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