

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

14th January 2024

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
CHARITY TAX NO. CHY 7355

Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Saturday 13th January 2024, 6.30 pm Mass

Michael Kelly, Passlands, (Months Mind), Dick Holligan, Old Grange, Anne Tynan, Jamestown, Anne Delaney, Coole, Sheila, Anne, Thomas & Michael Kelly, Lough House, Rathangan, Sr. Alphonsus, Mercy Convent, Sadie Harrison, Rathangan Rd, Oliver O'Reilly, late of Riverstown House, Clara, Co. Offaly and Togher Grove, Patricia Shortt, Charles (Chas) Donohoe, Inchacooey, Thomas & May Malone, Pat Malone, Cis Lawlor, Jim Lawlor, Quinsboro, Pat & Joe Harrison, 5 Kill, Deceased Members of the Whelan Family, Ballybrittas, Co. Laois, Sean Whelan, Skirteen, Deceased Members of the Mooney Family, Ballyfarsoon, Mary & John Joe Brady, Coventry, Mossie & Mary O'Sullivan, Cork, Breda O'Sullivan, Cork, Jack Nolan, Cowpasture, Teresa Kaye, Cowpasture.

Sunday 14th January 2024, 9.00 am Mass

Sr. Alphonsus, Mercy Convent.

Sunday 14th January 2024, 11.30 am Mass

Brigid Lonergan, Margaret O'Loughlin, Rathangan, Oliver O'Reilly late of Riverstown House, Clara, Co. Offaly and Togher Grove, Sr. Alphonsus, Mercy Convent, Bridget & Patrick Moody, Meath, Joseph Joe Dunne, Bracken House, Clogheen.

Tuesday 16th January 2024, 10.00 am Mass

Bridie & Pat Hughes, Newry, Sheila & Cyril Sharpe, Denis & Margaret Behan, Rathangan.

Thursday 18th January 2024, 10.00 am Mass

Peter Scully, Mullaghroe.



Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 370.00
Baskets Collection: € 1160.00

CHOIR

Saturday 20th January 2024
6.30pm: Gary Farrell

Sunday 21st January 2024
11.30am: Parish Choir

LOTTO
16/01/2024
TEAM: B

Mary Sweeney, Mary Doyle

READERS

Saturday 20th January'24
6.30pm: Mary Sweeney

Sunday 21st January'24
9.00am: Sr. Angela
11.30am: James Forde

INVITATION

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



MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Saturday 20th January 2024
6.30pm: Mary Doyle, Dan Clancy, Jacqueline Kennedy, Colette Walsh

Sunday 21st January 2024
9.00am: Davina Weldon, Lily Donoghue, Paddy Clarke
11.30am: Ann Fearon, Marie Lawless, Carmel McAlinden, Mary O'Leary

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday
21st January 2024
TEAM: A

Sr Phill, Katie Walsh, Jackie Quinn

Monasterevin Parish Lotto
Draw Results 09/01/2024.

Numbers Drawn

8, 17, 20, 24

Next Weeks Jackpot €5, 400
No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 M & B Sweeney	M. Sweeney
€20 C. Mc Hale	R. McDonnell
€20 Ann Whelan	R. Callanan
€20 A. Cleary	G. Harrison
€20 S. Byrne	G. Harrison

Next Draw 16/01/2024.
Thanks for your continued support

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto
Draw Results 08/01/2024

Numbers Drawn

12, 16, 26, 27

Next Weeks Jackpot € 4,400
No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Hannah Earley	M. Forde
€20 Miriam Kelly	A. Kelly
€20 Jade Kelly	G. Harrison
€20 Mick Flynn	c/o Finlays
€20 Rebeca Ryan	R. Ryan

Next draw: 15/01/2024.
Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C. Weekly Draw Results:

05/01/2024

1st €100: M. Fitzpatrick c/o Breda
2nd €50: C. Harrison c/o Caomhe
3rd €25: Breda Lawlor c/o Arthur
4th €25: STAR c/o Deidre

Seller:

INVITATION FOR PARISH MINISTRIES

Volunteers from the different Parish ministries who have done voluntary work in our Parish are invited to a Celebration Meal on Friday, 19th January'24 at 7 pm in the new St. Paul's Secondary School, Athy Road.

If you still didn't get your invitation, it can be collected from parish office.

RSVP by 15th January 2024 over the phone: 045 525346

or email:

monasterevin.parish@gmail.com

ST. BRIGID'S CAMINO WALK ON MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY.



St. Brigid is reputed to have been born in the Townland of Umeras, just outside Monasterevin, Co. Kildare.

This year a new Bank Holiday to honour St. Brigid takes place on Monday 5th February.

To commemorate Brigid, Monasterevin Parish have organised a Camino Walk in her honour. Starting at St. Brigid's Shrine at Monasterevin - Rathangan Road (R414), Eircode: W34 X529, @ 11am on Monday 5th February (walk is approx. 6km). Car parking provided at Mountrice Cross.

The walk will be led by Bishop Denis Nulty & will journey via Umeras then along the New Canal Blue Way, finishing in St. Peter & Pauls Church, Monasterevin with a service of light at 12.30pm.

WELCOMING THE RELIC OF ST. BRIGID

As we prepare to celebrate the life of St. Brigid on February 1st and on this, the 1500th anniversary of her death, the Brigidine Sisters from their convent in Tullow are very generously loaning their relic of St. Brigid to Kildare Parish for the year.

The relic will be housed in a specially designed shrine in St. Brigid's Church, Kildare. The shrine will be unveiled and Mass will be celebrated in honour of St. Brigid and the generosity of the Brigidine Sisters on Sunday 28th January at 11am.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Conference of S.V.P. wish to express deep gratitude to all who so generously supported their Monasterevin/Kildandan Church gate collections, to those who contributed to the Supervalu collections. The Gospel Choir and pupils St. John's School. To all who donated anonymously. Without this support we would be unable to assist those most in need in our parish. On their behalf Thank You. May God reward your generosity. Holy Mass will be offered for your intentions.

KILDARE, MONASTEREVIN & RATHANGAN

Pilgrimage to Lourdes
27th May - 1st June 2024

€825 pps
4* Hotel Eliséo

Accompanied by
Fr. Liam Merrigan &
Fr. Bill Kemmy

Direct flight Dublin to Tarbes
(Lourdes)
For Further Details & Booking
Form Contact :
Monasterevin - 045 525 346
Kildare - 045 521352
Rathangan - 045 524064

MONASTEREVIN CONVENT N.S. (Scoil Eimhin Naofa) ANNUAL ADMISSION NOTICE

In respect of admissions to the 2024/2025 school year (Junior Infants).

A copy of the school's Admission Policy and the link for Application Form for Admission for the 2024/2025 school year are available as follows:

Via Website: www.sen.ie
link
<https://www.aladdin.ie/i/39327107>

On request: By emailing
sainteivin@gmail.com

Or by writing to The Office Administrator: Monasterevin Convent N.S., Drogheda Street, Monasterevin, Co.Kildare. W34 P308

The school will commence accepting applications for admission on January 15th, 2024 and shall cease accepting applications for admission on February 5th, 2024.

Please note that the Special Class Admissions process will take place later in 2024 when we have an exact date regarding when the temporary Special Class accommodation will be ready and when we can commence its Admission process. Our Admission Policy will be updated accordingly.

SENIOR CITIZENS DINNER & SOCIAL

On Sunday 21st January'24 in The Clonard Court Hotel, Athy
MUSIC BY UNITY
Commencing 1.00 p.m. sharp

Come along and enjoy a super evening of music & song
Please reply by 13th January 2024 to your Area Rep.
Bus will leave Shell at 12 o'clock & The Credit Union at 12.15 pm.
If you did not receive Invitation
Contact: Mary Doyle
086 3724635

NOTICE

Scoil Bhride, Lackagh are now accepting applications for Junior Infants for September 2024 (forms available to download www.scoilbhridelackagh.ie or email the school office: info@scoilbhridelackagh.ie). Applications are also welcome for all other classes.

We are a small rural co-educational school close to Monasterevin, Kildare and Rathangan.
After school available from 2pm -3pm.
Monasterevin, W34VW50
Phone number: 045 529134.

VACANCY FOR ADMIN ASSISTANT PARISH OFFICE, MONASTEREVIN

Duties: Provision of Service to Parishioners. Computerisation of Parish Records. Typing and printing of Parish Weekly Newsletter.

OTHER VACANCIES
Caretaker Parish Property
Cleaner Ellistown GFC
2 Environmental Workers Passlands Graveyard

To apply:
Monasterevin Community
Employment Scheme
Parish Centre
Monasterevin
Tel. 045 525143

JOB VACANCY

Chef /Cook
Domestic Assistants

Mount St. Anne's is looking for dynamic and experienced people to join our Team at this busy Centre.

For detailed job description, please email: ceo@mounstannes.com.

Closing date for Application (CV and letter of application):
Tuesday January 30th @ 9am
For information about the Centre visit our website:
www.mounstannes.com



The Christian life is a calling from God to be companions of Jesus and work for the spread of his love and justice. All of us are asked to do this in our own lives.

Come and see



The experts tell us that the longest journey on the planet is the journey within. And it's probably the hardest journey we can take. Our interior world is confusing. People struggle with the personal issues of the 'inside world' that confounds them.

Without spending time in personal reflection before God, the heart can feel like a foreign territory. It's easier to engage with the busyness of daily life than listening to what's stirring within us.

When Jesus first sees John's disciples in today's Gospel he asks them about their heart's desires. "What do you want?" And then they ask him a question, but it is not "what are we to do? Feed the poor? Say our prayers?" Instead they dig deeper. "Rabbi, where do you live?" They wanted to know what goes on in Jesus' inmost heart. Who ARE you?

The Christian life begins with some inside wisdom about Jesus Christ. Very shortly before his death Jesus asked Simon Peter, "Who do you say I am?" He wasn't looking for an answer from his CV. Jesus wanted something more, a personal and heartfelt relationship of trust. To follow Christ is to live with a heart open to commit, a heart willing to change, a heart ready to serve, a heart disposed to pray, like Samuel, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."

The world is hungry not for more experts and busier people but for people with big, big hearts. It seeks not only people who work for God but those who have come to know God through personal prayer and encounter.

Fr. Joe Walsh

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



Andrew and Peter meet Jesus. Jesus invites them to come with Him and see. They liked the way Jesus lived. He was friendly, and He treated other people well. They became friends. Jesus did not ask them to read any books. He invited them "Follow me." Jesus' welcome was for everyone.



PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated the work of our redemption is accomplished. Through Christ our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC 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.
 We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
 and profess your Resurrection 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

We have come to know and to believe in the love that God has for us.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love, and in your kindness make those you have nourished by this one heavenly Bread one in mind and heart.
 Through Christ our Lord.



CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.
 And with your spirit.
 May your faithful people rejoice, we pray, O Lord, to be upheld by your right hand, and, progressing in the Christian life, may they delight in good things both now and in the time to come.
 Through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

And 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.
 Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL John 1:35-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God.' Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, 'What do you want?' They answered, 'Rabbi,' - which means Teacher - 'where do you live?' 'Come and see' he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour.

One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' - which means the Christ - and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, 'You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas' - meaning Rock.

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.

third time. He got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli then understood that it was the Lord who was calling the boy, and he said to Samuel, 'Go and lie down and if someone calls say, "Speak, Lord, your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

The Lord then came and stood by, calling as he had done before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel answered, 'Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.'

Samuel grew up and the Lord was with him and let no word of his fall to the ground.

The word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 39: 2.4 7-10

R. Here I am, Lord!
 I come to do your will.

1. I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry.
 He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. [R]

2. You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.
 You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. [R]

3. In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.
 My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. [R]

4. Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
 My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. [R]

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 6:13-15. 17-20

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.

The body is not meant for fornication; it is for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. God, who raised the Lord from the dead, will by his power raise us up too.

You know, surely, that your bodies are members making up the body of Christ; anyone who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him.

Keep away from fornication. All the other sins are committed outside the body; but to fornicate is to sin against your own body.

Your body, you know, is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you since you received him from God. You are not your own property; you have been bought and paid for. That is why you should use your body for the glory of God.

The word of the Lord.
 Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
 We have found the Messiah - which means the Christ -
 grace and truth have come through him. Alleluia!

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!

GREETING

In the name of the FatherAmen.

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 raise us to new life:
 Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins:
 Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

May almighty God have mercy on us....
 Amen.

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

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 3:3-10.19

A reading from the first Book of Samuel.

Samuel was lying in the sanctuary of the Lord where the ark of God was, when the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' He answered, 'Here I am.' Then he ran to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' Eli said, 'I did not call. Go back and lie down.' So he went and lay down. Once again the Lord called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, 'Here I am, since you called me.' He replied, 'I did not call you, my son; go back and lie down.' Samuel had as yet no knowledge of the Lord and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. Once again the Lord called, the