

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

21st 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
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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
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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 20th January 2024, 6.30 pm Mass

Dymphna Mullen, Clogheen (1st Anniversary), John Mullen, Eileen Buckley (Birthday Rem) and Deceased Members of the Casey Family, Riverstown, Anna Sexton, Castle Park, Kildangan, Kitty Siney, Kill, Molly Donoher, Shindella, Paddy Siney, Kill, Francis Murphy, Jim Downey, The Square, Bridget Forde, Cowpasture, Michael Sheehan, Oghill & Deceased Members of the Sheehan Family, Thomas & Margaret Grattan, Killenard, Thomas Grattan, The Heath, Jim & Christina Byrne, Cloneygowan, Gerard Mc Grath, Borrisleigh, Eileen Robinson, Togher Road, James O'Neill, Offaly Road, Cabra, Dublin, Patrick & Bridget Lonergan, St. Evin's Park, Sarah & Paddy Connolly, Thurles

Sunday 21st January 2024, 9.00 am Mass

Sr. Mercedes, Mercy Convent, Michael, Julia & Joe McCabe, Cowpasture, Nell McCabe & Deceased Members of the McCabe Family, Kildare Rd., James & Mary Melia, Ballyfarsoon, Peter Dempsey, Ballagh, Frank Dempsey, Ballagh,

Sunday 21st January 2024, 11.30 am Mass

Michael O'Rourke, Drogheda St. (1st Anniversary), Teresa Kaye, Cowpasture, Sr. Mercedes, Mercy Convent, Mike Dunne, Numey Rd.,

Friday 26th January 2024, 10.00 am Mass

Ken Payne



Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 340.00
Baskets Collection: € 940.00

CHOIR

Saturday 27th January 2024
6.30pm: Victor Kennedy

Sunday 28th January 2024
11.30am: Family Choir

LOTTO 23/01/2024 TEAM: C

Rita McDonnell, Gertie Byrne.,
Ger Harrison

READERS

Saturday 27th January '24
6.30pm: Sr. Phil,

Sunday 28th January '24
9.00am: Adam McAlister
11.30am: Gary Farrell

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 27th January 2024
6.30pm: Mary Ryan, Pauline Murphy, Ger Harrison, Lilly Madigan

Sunday 28th January 2024
9.00am: Andrew Mahon, Sr. Angela, Anne McLoughlin,
11.30am: James Forde, Anne Whelan, Fiona Behan, Rita McDonnell

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday
4th February '2024
TEAM: B

Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly,
Anna Duffy

Monasterevin Parish Lotto
Draw Results 16/01/2024.
Numbers Drawn
11, 15, 17, 18
Next Weeks Jackpot €5, 600
No Winner

Winners Promoter
€20 Jade & Millie G. Harrison
€20 D. Connolly Jnr P. Office
€20 Tina Cooke G. Harrison
€20 M. Stynes R. McDonnell
€20 George Byrne R. McDonnell

Next Draw 23/01/2024.
Thanks for your continued support

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto
Draw Results 15/01/2024
Numbers Drawn
1, 17, 18, 25
Next Weeks Jackpot € 4,600
No Winner

Winners Promoter
€20 Mary Hynes R. McDonnell
€20 E&A Donoghue E. Donoghue
€20 Mandy Hynes R. McDonnell
€20 Loreto Binnions M. Dowling
€20 Johnny Howard S. Hackett

Next draw: 22/01/2024.
Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C. Weekly Draw Results:

12/01/2024

1st €200:
2nd €100:
3rd €50:
4th €50:

Seller:

FAMILY CARERS

NATIONWIDE

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs?

A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour?

Then you are a family carer!

Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide.

Contact: 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit:

www.familycarers.ie.

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.

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:

Day Care
Caretaker Parish Property
Cleaner Ellistown GFC
2 Environmental Workers
Passlands Graveyard

To apply:

Monasterevin Community
Employment Scheme
Parish Centre
Monasterevin
Tel. 045 525143

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

FÉILE BRÍDE 2024

Pause for Peace

Join us in a global Pause for Peace. The Pause for Peace movement invites people from around the world to stop and pause for 1 minute's silence/ reflection with the aim of forming a spirit of solidarity and peace in societies all over the globe.

Thursday February 1st.
Altan and RTE Concert
Orchestra in Concert
Venue: St. Brigid's Cathedral
Time: 8.00pm
Booking :Eventbrite

Friday February 2nd
"A Parcel of Miracles" Féile
Bride Literary Event
Hosted by Kildare Town Library
Venue: Kildare Town Library
Time: 7.00pm—9.00pm
Admission: FREE
Enquiries and booking: 045 5208255

Saturday February 3rd
Revisiting the Customs and Traditions associated with St. Brigid
Gleaning wisdom from old customs and traditions to live more fully and sustainably while turning towards a future of greater well-being for ourselves and Planet Earth.

Presenters: Brenda Kindregan,
Margaret Walsh
Time: 2.30pm -4.00pm
Venue: Solas Bhríe Spirituality
Centre
Admission: €15 (incl. tea/coffee)
Booking: www.solasbhríe.ie
or info@solasbhríe.ie

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

A Prayer for Peace

Lord Jesus Christ,
You are the true King of peace.
In You alone is found freedom.
Please free our world from conflict.
Bring unity to troubled nations.
Let Your glorious peace reign in every heart.
Dispel all darkness and evil.
Protect the dignity of every human life.
Replace hatred with Your love.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ST. BRIGID'S CAMINO WALK

We are looking for volunteers to help with various tasks concerning the walk on the day.

A meeting will be held on
Tuesday 23rd January 2024
at 7.30pm in The Parish Centre for anyone willing to help.

MONASTEREVIN DRAMA GROUP

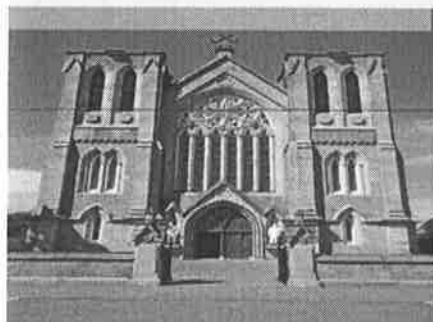
Monasterevin Drama Group presents "God Rest His Soul" written by John Hank Regan.

Showing at Monasterevin Community Centre from

25—27th January at 8pm.

Tickets € 10.00 available from Earley's Fashion, Main Street.

Come along and enjoy at great evening!



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

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 ACT

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Lord Jesus, you healed the sick: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you forgave sinners: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you give yourself to heal us and bring us strength: 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, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son, we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Jonah 3:1-5.10*

A reading from the prophet Jonah: The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.'

And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least. God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 24)

R. Lord, make me know your ways.

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. [R]
2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. [R]
3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. [R]

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 7:29-31. **A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.**

Brothers, our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! **The kingdom of God is close at hand; believe the Good News. Alleluia!**



GOSPEL *Mark 1:14-20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.'

As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake - for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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. 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

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray, and in sanctifying them grant that they may profit us for salvation. 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. 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

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, receiving the grace by which you bring us to new life, we may always glory in your 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. Thanks be to God.

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focus on sunday

Sunday of the Word of God (Catholic Schools Week begins)

The calling of Jesus is a calling to a generous and wholehearted following of his gospel.



Imagine two children looking up at the stars. One says, "I bet you those stars are five miles away." The other replies, "No, stupid, they are ten miles away." And they have a big argument over how far away the stars are. The children have no concept of 41,000,000,000,000 kilometres, (which of us has?), the distance of the nearest star to us, so they use concepts, five miles and ten miles, which, to them, means a long way away, but which are hopelessly inadequate to express the reality. Similarly, our human concepts can never understand God because God is mystery. So, when our Christian denominations argue over theological issues, we are like the children arguing over five miles or ten miles! And we allow those arguments to divide us! But we are united by all that we have in common: we believe in God, the mystery; we believe that Jesus was born, died on a cross and rose again; we commit ourselves to obeying, as best we can, the extremely difficult new commandment which he gave us, to "love one another as I have loved you," and we seek to continue the task Jesus began, to build the Kingdom of God "on earth as it is in Heaven." In all our parishes, working with other denominations to promote justice, peace and inclusion on earth is both Christian Unity in action, and in progress. All Christians are called, not only to pray for Christian Unity, but to work together for it.

Fr. Peter McVerry

Jesus' Story *Fr. Liam Hickey*

Jesus wanted to tell people new ways to be happy. He asked Peter and Andrew to help him. They were fishermen. They will catch people now with God's message, telling everyone that God is Our Loving Father, giver of all blessings, knows each person by name, loves everyone, can never be angry, and always coaxes us to love, care and help each other.