



MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

24th August 2025

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
Simona Grajauskaite
Fiona O'Hanlon
Claudia Tanase

Opening Hours:

Monday - Thursday
9.00am to 4.30pm

Closed for Lunch 1.00pm - 1.30pm
Friday:
9.00am to 1.00pm

Safe Guarding of Children Diocesan Designated Liaison Person :

Ailish Higgins
Director of Safeguarding & DLP
Bishops House
Old Dublin Road
Carlow
Ph: 085 802 1633
**Parish Safeguarding
Representatives**
Ellen Galvin
Marie Rogerson

**CHARITY TAX NO.
CHY 7355**

Notices & Anniversaries to be left in the Parish Office by Thursday @ 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
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Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Saturday 23rd August 2025, 6.30 pm Mass

Sean Coady, 1413 St. Evin's Park (1st Anniversary), Patricia Murphy (Months Mind), Athy, William Treacy, Millstream Avenue, Nellie Noone, Rathangan, Rebecca Knight, Ballyfarsoon, Mary Harrison, 2 Kill Cottages, Julia Holmes, Cowpasture, Maura Lawlor, Ballycarroll, Tommy Donoher, Umeras, Rizalina Villar

Sunday 24th August 2025, 9.00 am Mass

Sean Heavey, Bracknagh (1st Anniversary), Patrick Kelly, Kilberry, Athy

Sunday 24th August 2025, 11.30 am Mass

Joseph (Joe) Dunican (1st Anniversary), Bernie Dunican (née Teegan) and all deceased members of the Dunican and Teegan Families, Joe Sharpe, 1024 Cowpasture, Brigid & William Behan & daughter Brigid, Aidan O'Reilly, Drogheda St., Philip (Phil) Brady, Clondown, Dermot Purcell, Main Street, Monasterevin, Tommy & Lilly Whelan, Maud Hayes, Jack McCormack, Willie Whelan, Margaret Dempsey, Ballagh, Fran Dempsey, Clondoolusk

Friday 29th August 2025, 10.00 am Mass

Tom Barrett, 19 The Glebe

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: €365.00
Baskets Collection: €1320.00

CHOIR

Saturday 30th August 2025
6.30pm: Family Choir

Sunday 31st August 2025
11.30am: Eugene Nolan

**LOTTO
26/08/2025**

TEAM: C
Rita McDonnell, Gertie Byrne, Ger Harrison

READERS

Saturday 30th August 2025
6.30pm: Ruth Dempsey

Sunday 31st August 2025
9.00am: John Dooley
11.30am: Eileen O'Riordan

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 30th August 2025
6.30pm: Mikey Baker, Mary Ryan, Teresa Flood, Pat Ryan

Sunday 31st August 2025
9.00am: Nuala Flynn, Sr Angela, Davina Weldon
11.30am: Marie Lawless, Anne Whelan, Fiona Behan, Mary Lawlor

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

7th September 2025

Team: A
Sr. Phil, Elaine Kavanagh, Jackie Quinn

Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results: 19/08/2025

Numbers Drawn:

2, 3, 17, 24

Next Weeks Jackpot: €4,400

No Winner

Winners

€20 Aoife Whyte

€20 Joe Fitzpatrick

€20 Mary Lalor

€20 Rita Brennan

Melissa Donoghue

Promoter

M. Doyle

M. Doyle

R. Clancy

G. Harrison

G. Harrison

Next draw: 26 /08/2025

Thank you for continued support!

Ballykelly G. F. C. Lotto

Draw Results: 18/08/2025

Numbers Drawn:

4, 20, 24, 26

Next Weeks Jackpot: €2,600

No winner

Winners

€20 Tina Coyne

€20 Vincent Murphy

€20 Maureen Harrison

€20 Angela (Willoughbys)

€20 Amanda Whelan

Promoter

Finlay's

P. Behan

M. Heavey

R. McDonnell

A. Holligan

Next draw: 25/08/2025

Thank you for continued support!

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.

Weekly Draw Results: 15/08/2025

1st €100: Claire & Sadie Mai c/o: Caroline
2nd €50: Gary Farrell c/o: Gary
3rd €25: Paidi+ Odhran c/o: Earley's
4th €25: Michelle Hunt c/o: Club
Seller: Caroline Morrissey

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

MICHAEL ENGLISH

IN CONCERT

WITH

MONASTEREVIN GOSPEL CHOIR

Friday 31st October 2025 at 8pm.

St. Peter's & Paul's Church
Monasterevin
Tickets €30.00 (non-refundable)

In aid of St. Peter's & Paul's
Church & Monasterevin Senior
Citizens

Booking at:

Parish Office 045 525346
Earley's Fashion Shop 045 525395

**Concert will NOT be Live
Streamed on the Night.**

**IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER
ON SALE AT BACK OF CHURCH.
COST €3**

BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

Loving God,
Our creator, our saviour, our
companion, bless this journey
of a new school year that we
undertake today.

Refresh our souls and renew
our spirits as we embrace the
beautiful ministry you have
called us to.

We welcome those who are
new to this community and ask
that you strengthen them to
share the wonderful gifts you
have given them.

Lord, make our hearts pure as
we prepare for the return of
students to school, and may
you guide them to return with
open hearts and minds eager to
learn.

We ask this in Your name.

Amen.

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to all the Leaving Certs
who received their results this week.

Wishing them well in the future in
whatever path they take.



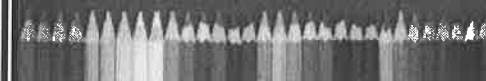
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan
Adoration Committee invites you to join
them with Most Reverend Bishop
Denis Nulty, Fr Ruairi O' Domhnaill
and Guests for a day of Prayer &
Adoration. The day will feature a
special Carlo Acutis Exhibition and
Eucharistic
Miracles exhibition - concluding with
concelebrated Mass at 3 pm.
Confessions available.
Location: Mount St. Annes,
Portarlinton R32 WN59
**Saturday August 30th 9.30am -
4.30pm**
Refreshments & Lunch - €20

***Booking Essential - Please either
text or call **Barbara 086 1637311**
stating name & number
of companions***
All welcome.

WELCOME

BACK TO SCHOOL



Welcome back to all
pupils & students after their
Summer holidays.

Hope you all enjoyed your Summer
break and looking forward to being
back to school.

MONASTEREVIN COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

*Grounds Person Monasterevin AFC

*Caretaker Monasterevin Community
Centre

*Environmental Worker Monasterevin
Tidy Towns

Eligibility to participate on CE
generally linked to those who are 21 years
or over and in receipt of a
qualifying social welfare payment for 1
year or more. To apply please call into the
**CE office, Parish Centre,
Monasterevin or phone 045 525143**

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to babies Matthew
Aidan Lambe, Esme Elizabeth
Kennedy and Annie Nora Ryan Who
were baptised on **Saturday
16th August 2025**



MONASTEREVIN DAYCARE CENTRE Drogheda St. (W34Y564)

Our new premises are open and welcoming
new service users.

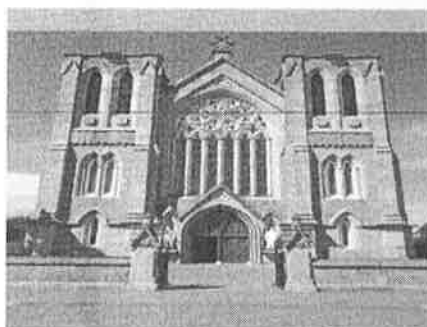
Our service operates Monday, Wednesday
& Thursday.

We provide a day service from 10.30 to
3pm. We provide a 3 course meal, snacks,
tea/ coffee/ juice throughout the day for a
rate of 5 euro per day.

We provide a bus to collect and drop off
service users for each day our service is on.

Meals on wheels is also available at a rate
of 4euro daily. Please do not hesitate to
contact us regarding any more information
that you may require.

We can be contacted by email or phone:
Email: monasterevindaycarecentre@gmail.com
Phone: 045 920148



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;
save the servant who trusts in you, my
God. Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I cry to you all the day long.

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

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

O God, who cause the minds of the
faithful to unite in a single purpose,
grant your people to love what you
command and to desire what you promise,
that, amid the uncertainties of this world,
our hearts may be fixed on that place
where true gladness is found.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Isaiah 66:18-21*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather
the nations of every language. They shall
come to witness my glory. I will give them
a sign and send some of their survivors
to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud,
Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the
distant islands that have never heard of
me or seen my glory. They will proclaim
my glory to the nations. As an offering to
the Lord they will bring all your brothers,
on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules,
on dromedaries, from all the nations to
my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the
Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in

clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord.
And of some of them I will make priests
and Levites, says the Lord.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *P.S. 116*

**R. Go out to the whole world;
proclaim the Good News.**

- O praise the Lord, all you nations,
acclaim him all you peoples! **[R]**
- Strong is his love for us;
he is faithful for ever. **[R]**

SECOND READING *Hebrews 12:5-7.11-13*

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Have you forgotten that encouraging text
in which you are addressed as sons? My
son, when the Lord corrects you, do not
treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged
when he reprimands you. For the Lord
trains the ones that he loves and he
punishes all those that he acknowledges
as his sons. Suffering is part of your
training; God is treating you as his sons.
Has there ever been any son whose
father did not train him? Of course, any
punishment is most painful at the time,
and far from pleasant; but later, in those
on whom it has been used, it bears fruit
in peace and goodness. So hold up your
limp arms and steady your trembling
knees and smooth out the path you tread;
then the injured limb will not be wrenched,
it will grow strong again.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the Way, the Truth and the Life,
says the Lord; no one can come to
the Father except through me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Luke 13:22-30*

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Luke.**

Through towns and villages Jesus went
teaching, making his way to Jerusalem.
Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be
only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try
your best to enter by the narrow door,
because, I tell you, many will try to enter
and will not succeed.
'Once the master of the house has got up
and locked the door, you may find yourself
knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open
to us" but he will answer, "I do not know
where you come from." Then you will
find yourself saying, "We once ate and
drank in your company; you taught in our
streets" but he will reply, "I do not know
where you come from. Away from me, all
you wicked men!"
'Then there will be weeping and grinding
of teeth, when you see Abraham and
Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets
in the kingdom of God, and yourselves
turned outside. And men from east and

west, from north and south, will come
to take their places at the feast in the
kingdom of God.
'Yes, there are those now last who will be
first, and those now first who will be last.'

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.**

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O Lord, who gained for yourself a people
by adoption through the one sacrifice
offered once for all, bestow graciously on
us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace
in your Church. Through Christ our Lord.



TWENTY - FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 24th August 2025

The message of God's Kingdom is offered to people of every race.
However, only those who follow the path of Jesus will
enjoy the reward of God's Kingdom.



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

**Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my
blood has eternal life, says the Lord,
and I will raise him up on the last day.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray,
the healing work of your mercy
and graciously perfect and sustain us,
so that in all things we may please you.
Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
Amen.

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.**

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

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 forth, the Mass is ended.
Thanks be to God.



These Sundays until the end of November give us glimpses
of Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem and the Cross. Such
glimpses offer us rich insight into the person of Jesus, his
God, his mind and thinking, his values and preferences, his
dreams for people and for all humanity. Isaiah paints a picture
of hope today. It's a raising of the corner of the veil and offers us a symbolic
glimpse of the huge hope for us that is in the heart of God despite the mess
our world is in.

Various people approach Jesus in this Gospel and ask about the afterlife.
Jesus came to preach the kingdom of God, which is not the same thing as
the afterlife – heaven, the piece of real estate out there in space somewhere.
In fact, he hadn't much to say about what many call heaven and hell. On the
other hand, he had an awful lot to say about who he is, why he came on earth
and what his kingdom is all about.

The kingdom of God is a spiritual reality, not a material kingdom or construct.
It is something deeply personal between God and us his people. It is the web
of personal encounter between God and all believers. It is not an institution, a
church or an organisation, but the filament of personal relationships between
God, Christ, humanity and all created things. All people, whether from east,
west, north or south are invited "to take their places at the feast in the kingdom
of God."

Fr. Joe Walsh

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



Jesus was a carpenter. He liked making doors. An open door means
welcome. A closed door means protection, and sometimes 'not welcome.'
God's Love is always an open door of friendship and welcome. God never
refuses anyone. Our human hearts can be like open doors of welcome, and
sometimes, like doors of no welcome. There are three special blessings
each day, the good word, the fair word, the welcoming word.