

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

23rd November 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
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Claudia Tanase
Elaine Timmins

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 :

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Bishops House
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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 22nd November 2025, 6.30 pm Mass

Josephine Murphy (1st Anniversary), Manie Harrison, St. Evin's Pk., Michael Hall (Jnr), St. Evins Pk, Patrick, Hugh, Kitty, Mary & Hugh Kelly, Grangebeg, Jim & Catherine Lawlor, Riverstown, Bridget & Pat Corrigan, Charlie, Mary & Pat Shannon & Bridie Burke, Milltown, Deceased members of the Kelly, Lawlor, Ryan & Shannon Families, John & Mary Morning, Newbridge, Nellie Maher, St. Evin's Pk, Rachel & Andrew Colgan, St. Evin's Pk. , Sean Whelan, Skirteen, Mooney Family, Ballyfarsoon, Whelan Family, Ballybrittas, Mary & John Joe Brady, Coventry, Robbie Sweeney, Joe, Kate & Josie Melia, Skirteen, Matthew (Michael) Tuohey, Peter Tuohey, James Tuohey, Thomas Tuohey, Martin Tuohey, Joe Harrison, Bray & Old Grange, Margaret Walsh, Ballykelly, Sr. Marion, Stan Cosgrove, Eileen Grattan, Catherine & Matthew Cummins, Cowpasture, deceased members of the Grattan family, Biddy Doyle, Mike Connell, James & Elizabeth Behan & The Behan Family, Naas.

Sunday 23rd November 2025, 9.00 am Mass

Patrick, Eileen & Bernie Holligan, Borradera, Dickie Holligan, Old Grange, Larry Holligan, St Evins Pk, Laurence & Hannah Feddigan, Killenard, Pat & Kate Dunne, Lackagh, The McCormack Family, Balkinstown, Nurney, Mick Roach, Cathedral Drive,

Sunday 23rd November 2025, 11.30 am Mass

Patrick & Mary Mahon, Passlands, Margaret Burke, Old Grange Ave., Patrick Nolan, Michael Nolan, Patrick Lonergan, Oliver Porter, Old Grange (Birthday & Anniversary Remembrance), Christina Purcell, Main Street, Sean McLoughlin, Cowpasture (Birthday Rem), Richard O'Rourke, Mountrath,

Tuesday 25th November 2025, 10.00am Mass

Ann Farrell

Wednesday 26th November, 2025

Peter & Josephine Cullen, St. Evin's Pk., Rose Cullen, Hybla,

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 300.00
Baskets Collection: € 1280.00

CHOIR

Saturday 29th November 2025
6.30pm: Gary Farell

Sunday 30th November 2025
11.30am: Eugene Nolan

LOTTO
25/11/2025

TEAM: A
Pauline Duffy, Lily Donoghue

READERS

Saturday 29th November '25
6.30pm: Ger Harrison

Sunday 30th November 2025
9.00am: Tom Fitzgerald
11.30am: Sabrina Kelly

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 29th November 2025
6.30pm: Rachel Farrell, Jackie Kennedy, Fiona Farrell, Pauline Murphy

Sunday 30th November 2025
9.00am: Paddy Clarke, Sr Angela, Anne McLoughlin
11.30am: James Forde, Rita McDonnell, Fiona Behan, Mary O' Leary.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

7th December 2025
Team: A
Sr. Phil, Elaine Kavanagh, Jackie Quinn

Monasterevin Parish Lotto
Draw Results: 18/11/ 2025

Numbers Drawn:
3, 17, 18, 23

Next Weeks Jackpot: € 7,000
No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Betty Whyte	R. McDonnell
€20 Ger Higgins	P. Kelly
€20 Marisa Fenton	M. Sweeney
€20 O' Connor	R. McDonnell
€20 Theresa Perry	M. Doyle

Next draw: 25/11/2025

Thank you for continued support!

Ballykelly G. F. C Lotto
Draw Results: 17/11/2025

Numbers Drawn:
6, 10, 25, 26

Next Weeks Jackpot: € 5,200
No winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 The Fitz Gang	B. Fitzgerald
€20 Louise McDonnell	R. McDonnell
€20 Colcen Brady	R. McDonnell
€20 Margaret Downey	M. Heavey
€20 Amy Lawlor	J. Lawlor

Next draw: 24 /11/2025

Thank you for continued support!

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.
Weekly Draw Results 14/11/2025

1st €100: Deidre Ransome	c/o: Deidre
2nd €50: Mick Holligan	c/o: Bingo
3rd €25: Stacy Dunne	c/o: Bingo
4th €25: Tom Harrison	c/o: Steven

Seller: Deidre Ransome

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME VACANCY

Caretaker Monasterevin Community Centre

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.

To register your interest please contact your local Intreo Office or call into CE Office in the Parish Centre
Monasterevin 045-525143



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

SVP ANNUAL COLLECTION
WILL TAKE PLACE ON
**SATURDAY 6TH & SUNDAY
7TH DECEMBER.**

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



Monasterevin, Kildare & Rathangan Parishes Lourdes Pilgrimage

8th June—12th June 2026
4 Nights from Cork Airport

**This year ten students from
Transition year in St. Paul's
Secondary School will join us
on the Pilgrimage to help the
Pilgrims.**

**(Bus will be provided)
€ 825 pp sharing**

To secure booking, deposit of €350pp is required.

For information, please contact:
Parish Office
@ 045 525 346 for booking forms.
OR
please contact:
Joe Walsh @ 01 241 0800 to book directly.

CHRISTMAS AT JUNCTION 14 MAYFIELD

Join us for a day full of festive activities, special surprises and heartfelt moments embracing the true Spirit of Christmas with I Radio, Santa, Discounts & Giveaways.

Event Details
Date : Saturday 29th November 2025
Time: 2pm—5pm
Admission: Free

For more info, visit
www.junction14mayfield.ie or contact us at
info@junction14mayfield.ie

FIRST SATURDAY CONFERENCE KNOCK December 6th 2025

Bus departs Naas 6.30am, Newbridge 6.40am, Kildare 6.50am, Monasterevin 7am. Arrive Knock 10am, returning 5pm. To book please text 087 2467594 or email deirdregleeson@medwise.ie.
€30 if paid in advance, €35 on the day.

To mark the 100th anniversary of the First Saturday Apparition in Pontevedra, Spain, there will be a special conference. The day begins with adoration and confessions at 10am in the Reconciliation Chapel. There will be three talks from Bishop John Keenan, Antonia Moffat and Fr. Philip Kemmy in St John's Centre. There will also be the Rosary led by the Children's Rosary group, a 15 minute meditation led by Fr. Marius O'Reilly.

For more details please visit firstsaturdays.ie

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP DENIS Re Department of Education Survey on School Patronage

The current Department of Education survey on the future of patronage in the primary sector is important in that it will shape the discussion on primary school divesting for the years to come throughout the Republic of Ireland.

It is important that those who wish for change in patronage would have their voice heard. It is equally important that those who wish for a Catholic Education for their children and for those who would wish for sacramental preparation within school would have their voice heard also.

As the survey will determine what happens the school in every individual parish, it is important if you wish to retain the schools in our parish to continue to remain as a Catholic School. If you are a parent or a perspective parent of a primary school student, it is important that you take part in the survey.

The survey can be accessed at <https://www.gov.ie/en/department-of-education/campaigns/primary-school-survey/>
The survey closes on 16th December 2025 .



CHRISTMAS

A nice selection of cards and gifts in Stock this Christmas Season.

Please drop into the Parish Office and we will be glad to help you.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

GREETING

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and prince of peace:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father:

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,

whose will is to restore all things in your

beloved Son, the King of the universe,

grant, we pray,

that the whole creation, set free from

slavery, may render your majesty service

and ceaselessly proclaim your praise.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING **2 Samuel 5:1-3**

A reading from the second book of Samuel.

All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron. 'Look' they said, 'we are your own flesh and blood. In days past when Saul was our king, it was you who led Israel in all their exploits; and the Lord said to you, "You are the man who shall be shepherd of my people, Israel, you shall be the leader of Israel." ' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron, and King David made a pact with them at Hebron in the presence of the Lord and they anointed David king of Israel.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps 121: 1-5**

R. I rejoiced when I heard them say 'Let us go to God's house.'

1. I rejoiced when I heard them say:

'Let us go to God's house.'

And now our feet are standing

within your gates, O Jerusalem.

[R]

2. Jerusalem is built as a city strongly compact.

It is there that the tribes go up,

the tribes of the Lord.

[R]

3. For Israel's law it is

there to praise the Lord's name.

There were set the thrones of judgement

of the house of David.

[R]

SECOND READING **Colossians 1:12 - 20**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians.

We give thanks to the Father who has made it possible for you to join the saints

and with them to inherit the light. Because

that is what he has done: he has taken us

out of the power of darkness and created

a place for us in the kingdom of the Son

that he loves, and in him, we gain our

freedom, the forgiveness of our sins.

He is the image of the unseen God

and the first-born of all creation,

for in him were created

all things in heaven and on earth:

everything visible and everything invisible,

Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities,

Powers - all things were created through

him and for him.

Before anything was created, he existed,

and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body,

he is its head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be

born from the dead, so that he should be

first in every way; because God wanted all

perfection to be found in him and all things

to be reconciled through him and for him,

everything in heaven and everything on

earth, when he made peace by his death

on the cross.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the

name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of

our father David! Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Luke 23:35 - 43**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

The people stayed there before the Cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals hanging there

abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

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.



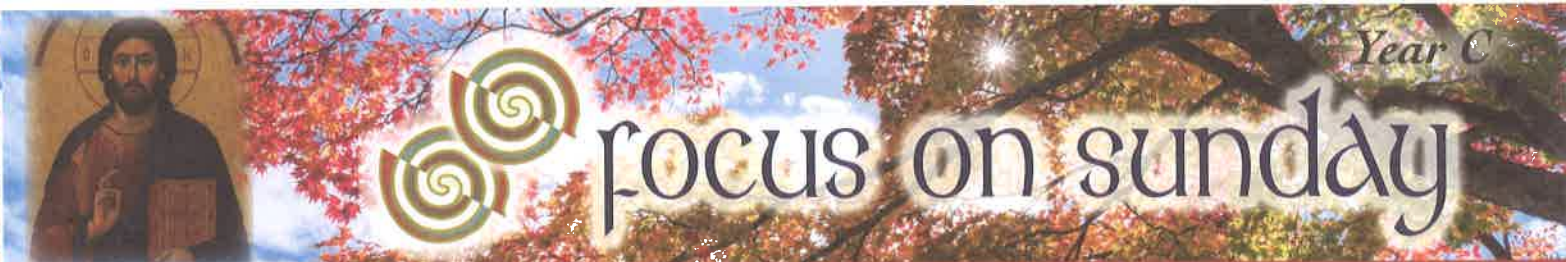
LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

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

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray, that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace.
Through Christ our Lord.



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE 23rd November 2025

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.

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

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received the food of immortality,

we ask, O Lord,

that, glorying in obedience to the

commands of Christ, the King of the

universe,

we may live with him eternally in his

heavenly Kingdom.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you in his kindness and pour out saving wisdom upon you.

Amen.

May he nourish you always with the teachings of the faith and make you persevere in holy deeds.

Amen.

May he turn your steps towards himself and show you the path of charity and peace.

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.

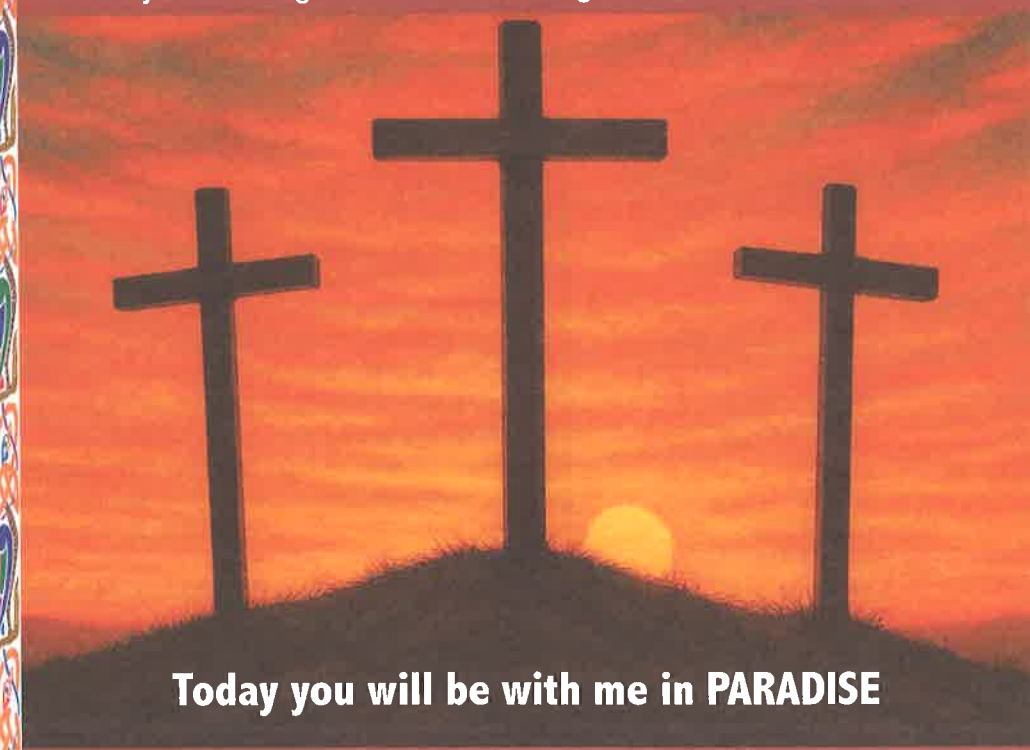
Amen.

Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.



The Cross is a Throne and the Man hanging there is a King! That is the Christ who turns all earthly values upside down. He is a king, not through wealth or reputation, but because he is a Man of compassion and of mercy, of justice brought to death. He is King of Creation and Son of God.



The idea of a universal king in today's fractured world seems like a very remote concept. In our readings we see a sweeping panorama of salvation history. The first reading places Jesus in the line of King David, while the second reading brings us from the dawn of creation to the second coming of the Messiah, all accomplished through the life, death, and resurrection of Christ. The responsorial psalm is exuberantly joyful, in marked contrast to the Gospel, where Jesus's entry into Jerusalem leads him to his suffering on the cross.

This Gospel passage, chosen for today's solemnity, focusses on the taunting and mockery of Jesus on the cross. We usually regard kings as important personages afforded obedience, respect, and servitude. Yet here we are told that Jesus is jeered, mocked, abused, and rebuked. What kind of a king is this?

One whose obedience is to the divine values of faith, hope, and love; one who respects those who are pure in heart, rather than powerful in public; one who believes leadership is to serve, not to be served. This is a mandate for our leaders today, if we wish to achieve unity and healing in our world. This is a commission for our ecclesial authorities, as we collaborate to keep our faith alive, active, and true. And this is a confirmation of our baptism, in which we are all anointed as priests, prophets, and kings with Christ.

Dr Giovanna Feeley, DCU School of Theology, Philosophy, and Music

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



Even when Jesus was in pain on the Cross, He blessed the thief who was in pain beside him, and promised him the happiness of Heaven. God The Father, through Jesus, is embracing the world with Love. The eyes of Jesus are open with blessing for everyone, and His hands are outstretched in generosity.