



MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

19th April 2026

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 1.00pm

Closed for Lunch 1.00pm- 1.30pm

Safe Guarding of Children Diocesan Designated Liaison Person :

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CHARITY TAX NO.
CHY 7355

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

Saturday 18th April 2026 6.30 pm Mass

Eileen Walsh (1st Anniversary) St. Evins Park, Bridie Bailey, Harbour view, Annie O'Neill (Birthday Rem.), John O'Neill, Annie, Michael & Peter Eustace, Aubrey Hope, Sean O'Neill, Lena Kelly, Lough House, Rathangan, Ann Fitzpatrick (née Kelly), Passlands, Philamena Moloney, Old Grange, Michael Keenan Snr, Derrylea & deceased members of the Keenan Family, Eileen Buckley, Christina Casey, Lukasz Prusik, The Murphy Family, John Malone, No. 7 The Drive, St. Evin's Park, Sr. Alphonsus (Birthday Rem.), Mary P McConn, Oldgrange, Pat & Grandad Thomas Malone, Quinsboro, Johnjoe Flynn, Rowanville, Kildare, Sean Harrison, St Evins Pk, Lar Melia, Manchester, John Melia Jnr, Manchester. Bridie Conneely, McHale Family, Mayo, Mary Wilson, Cushina, Michael Connell, Athy, Elizabeth Lennon, Jimmy Lennon, Mary Moran, Patrick Moran, Martin McDonald, Patrick Moran Jnr. , Bernadette Fahey, Aldershot UK (formerly Lackagh), Dean Dempsey, Derry, son of the late Denis Dempsey, Mountrice, Mick Doyle, Main St, Ross Whelar, Moore Abbey,

Sunday 19th April 2026 9.00 am Mass

Patrick, Etta & Peter Looby, Clogheen, Joseph Bond, England, Fr. Denis O'Sullivan, Fr. William Hughes.,

Sunday 19th April 2026 11.30 am Mass

Agnes Smith & her son Michael, Mountrice, Pat O'Brien, Nags Head (B-Day Rem.), Deceased members of the Ryan Family 228 & 426 Ballagh, The Brady Family Lourdesville, Kildare, Eugene Brady, Clondown (B-Day Rem.), Mick Doyle, Main St, Ross Whelar, Moore Abbey, Ollie Leigh, Willie Whelan.

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 585.00
Baskets Collection: € 1060.00

CHOIR

Saturday 25th April '26
6.30pm: Victor Kennedy

Sunday 26th April '26
11.30am: Gospel Choir

LOTTO 21/04/2026 TEAM: C

Rita McDonnell Gerlie Byrne,
Ger Harrison

READERS

Saturday 25th April '26
6.30pm: Sr Phil

Sunday 26th April '26
9.00am: Sr Angela
11.30am: Billy Cleary

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 25th April '26
6.30pm: Pauline Murphy, Jackie Kennedy, Mary Ryan, Dan Clancy

Sunday 26th April '26
9.00am: Lily Donoghue, Andrew Mahon, Anne McLoughlin, Sr Angela
11.30am: Ann Fearon, Anne Lonergan, Fiona Behan, Anne Whelan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 10th May 2026
TEAM: A
Sr Phil, Elaine Kavanagh, Jackie Quinn

Monasterevin Parish Lotto
Draw Results 14 /04/2026

Numbers Drawn

9, 11, 12, 16

Next Weeks Jackpot € 10,800

No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Fiona Whelan	R. Callanan
€20 Katie Harrison	M. Doyle
€20 Albert Kelly	P. Kelly
€20 Mary Dowling	R. McDonnell
€20 Joanne & Beaveden	

Next Draw: 21/04/2026

Thanks for your continued support

Ballykelly G.F.C. lotto
Draw Results 13/04/2026

Numbers Drawn

3, 19, 25, 28

Next Weeks Jackpot € 1,800

No Winner

Winners	Promoter
€20 Miriam Kelly	A.Kelly
€20 Ann McCormack	P.Moore
€20 Tony Ryan	S.Ryan
€20 Lucas Behan	J.Behan
€20 Dave & Lee Moore	P.Moore

Next draw: 20/04/2026.

Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.
Results:

10/04/2026

1st The Connolly's	% Caoimhe
2nd C. Stapleton	% Snr. Players
3rd E. Dunne Jnr.	% Claire
4th Brian Murrey	% Jenny

Seller: Caoimhe Connolly.

Kildare, Monasterevin & Rathangan Parishes Lourdes Pilgrimage

FINAL CALL

8th June - 12th June 2026
4 Nights from Cork
Airport
€825 pp Sharing

For further information,
please contact :

Monasterevin Parish
Office @
045 525 346

For bookings, please
contact Joe Walsh Tours
@ 01 241 0800

THE ANNUAL CHURCH GATE COLLECTION FOR SPINA BIFIDA HYDROCEPHALUS

The annual church gate collection for Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Ireland, Kildare Branch, is scheduled to take place in Monasterevin on the weekend of 25th & 26th of April 2026.



GRAIGUECULLEN/ KILLESHIN PARISH

Novena to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help
St. Clares Church -9 Monday
nights

Date Speakers:

April 13th—Mary Hulgraine
Two time all Ireland Champion &
Woman of Faith

April 20th—Br. Tom Walsh
De la Salle Brother & Teacher

April 27th—Bernard Dunne
Former World Boxing Champion

May 4th—Jim Breen
Founder of Pulse Learning &
Cycle Against Suicide

May 11th—Davy Fitzgerald
Hurling Manager & former
player

May 18th—Br. Richard
Hendrick—
Capuchin Franciscan priest –
friar, mindfulness teacher, poet &
author

May 25th—Edward Hayden
TV Chef & Broadcaster

June 1st—Katelyn Cummins
Rose of Tralee 2025

June 8th—Bishop Denis Nulty
Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin

Rosary at 7pm led by the Poor Clare
Sisters.

Mass with Benediction 7.30pm

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ELLISTOWN GAA

Cake Sale after all masses
on the weekend of
Saturday 25th April and
Sunday 26th April.

Please support.



CONGRATULATIONS

Welcome into the Christian
Community Babies, Isla
Kay Murray - Brennan, Lily
Ann Richardson, Clodagh
Breege Rowan & Paudie
James Davis, who were
baptised by Fr Liam on
Saturday 11th April 2026.



BIBLE GROUP

THE BIBLE IS GODS
INSTRUCTION BOOK
FOR US.

LET'S READ AND
UNDERSTAND IT
TOGETHER.

VENUE:- THE PARISH
CENTRE.

TIME:- 7PM MONDAY'S.
085 1690527.



CEMETERY MASSES 2026

ST. EVIN'S
MONDAY 15TH JUNE @
7.30PM

PASSLANDS
TUESDAY 16TH JUNE @
7.30PM

LACKAGH
THURSDAY 18TH JUNE @
7.30PM

YEW TREE
MONDAY 22ND JUNE @
7.30PM

April 19

Trust in the Lord with all your
heart; do not depend on your
own understanding. Seek his will
in all you do, and he will show you
which path to take.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Dear Lord, Even though I may
not understand why this is
happening, I will put all my trust
in you. It will be well with my
soul because you are with me.



ACCORD NEEDS YOU

Accord is currently
recruiting volunteers to
train as facilitators to
Support couples preparing
for marriage.

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Jesus assures his disciples that he is risen from the dead and sends them to preach the gospel in his name. He assures us of this too, and we are sent to be his people in our family, among our friends, in all parts of the world.



We have all been on the road to Emmaus. It is the experience of disappointment, of being let down, or worse, the shattering of our hopes, our expectations, the feeling that our life is falling apart. The two disciples had spent a lot of time with Jesus, they had left the security of their lives to commit themselves to following him. And it had all seemed to have been a disaster, Jesus was dead. They were on their way back to pick up the pieces of their old lives, feeling that following Jesus had been a huge mistake. They meet Jesus on the journey home, who first got them to express their feelings about what had happened, (important when life has hit a crisis), helped them to understand the meaning of what happened and showed them that this crisis could open up a whole new way of life for them. Their disappointment was turned into joy. The breaking of bread, repeating what he had done at the last supper, and which we repeat at every Mass, revealed the meaning of Jesus' life and death. Just as he had sacrificed himself for us, so they too were now to go forth and sacrifice themselves for others. What seemed to them to have been the end, turned out to be a new beginning. They returned to Jerusalem to share their wonderful, life-changing, experience with the other disciples. As Christians, we commit our lives to follow Jesus more and more closely, by giving ourselves more and more fully to others, particularly to those in need.

Fr. Peter McVerry SJ

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

On Good Friday, the body of Jesus was broken on the outside, but a "New Spirit" came to Him inside. He rose from the dead. He is present and alive now, in a different way, through His Spirit. His Spirit is with every person. His Spirit is with those who died too and will be with us when we die.



within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?' They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

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, 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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive, O Lord, we pray, these offerings of your exultant Church, and, as you have given her cause for such great gladness, grant also that the gifts we bring may bear fruit in perpetual happiness. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord, and grant, we pray, that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries may attain in their flesh the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. *And with your spirit.*
Go in peace, *Thanks be to God.*

though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason - so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 24: 13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn



can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy: my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence."

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:1-2.5.7-11

R. Show us, Lord, the path of life.

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God. O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize.' [R]
2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. [R]
3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. [R]
4. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. [R]

SECOND READING 1 Peter 1: 17-21

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who,

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

GREETING

In the name of the FatherAmen. The Lord be with you. *And with your spirit.*

PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart:

Lord, have mercy. *Lord, have mercy.*
You came to call sinners:
Christ, have mercy. *Christ, have mercy.*
You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us:
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

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 2:14.22-33

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

"I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing