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MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

19th July 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

Fiona O'Hanlon

Claudia Tanase

Elaine Timmins

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 :

Michele Hughes

Director of Safeguarding & DLP

Bishops House

Old Dublin Road

Carlow

Ph: 086 1710643

Parish Safeguarding

Representatives

Ellen Galvin

Marie Rogerson

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

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Carmel Dowling, Knocklyon, formerly Snipe Bog, Cloncarlin, who was interred during the week. R. I. P.

Saturday 18th July, 2026, 6.30 pm Mass

Julianne Fardy (née) Boland, (Months Mind) Ballykelly, Jacqueline Doody, Newbridge (1st anniversary), Mary Dowling, Old Grange, Elizabeth Donoghue, Hybla, Elizabeth Melia, Ballyfarsoon, Michelle Haughton, Cushina

Sunday 19th July, 9.00 am Mass

Lily Mannion, her husband Jim & her parents Michael & Bridie Kenna, Christopher Pender, Grangenolvin, Athy, formerly Kylebeg Terrance

Sunday 19th July 2026, 11.30 am Mass

Winnie Delaney, Ballagh & her son Joe, Lily Mannion, her husband Jim & her parents Michael & Bridie Kenna, Willie Whelan, Drogheda st., Berry Walsh, Carlow, Patrick Brady, Togher Wood, Patrick Archbold, Grange, Mooreabbey, Christopher (Eddie) Murphy, Kildare Town, Margaret & Denis Behan, Cappanargid, Maura & Peter Behan & their sons, Michael, Peter & Christopher, Ard Mhuire , Bridget & James Grant, Buncrana, Co. Donegal.

Tuesday 21st July 2026, 10.00 am Mass

Johannes Muller

Wednesday 22nd July 2026, 10.00 am Mass

Margaret Bourke, Old Grange Avenue

Friday 24th July 2026, 10.00 am Mass

Ann Hannon, Christy Lonergan

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: €345 .00

Baskets Collection: €1190.00

CHOIR

Saturday 25th July '26

6.30pm: Victor Kennedy

Sunday 26th July '26

11.30am: Eugene Nolan

LOTTO

21/07/2026

TEAM: A

Pauline Duffy, Lily Donoghue

READERS

Saturday 25th July '26

6.30pm: Mary Sweeney

Sunday 26th July '26

9.00am: Jarleth Kileen

11.30am: Ann Fearon

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 July '26

6.30pm: Colette Walsh, Pauline Murphy, Jackie Kennedy

Sunday 26th July '26

9.00am: Fiona Farrell, Rachel Farrell, Davina Weldon

11.30am: Fiona Behan, Ann Lonergan, Mary O'Leary

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

RETURNS IN SEPTEMBER

AFTER THE SUMMER BREAK

Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results 14 /07/2026

Numbers Drawn 2, 4, 5, 12

Next Weeks Jackpot € 13,400

No Winner

Winners Promoter

€20 Pat Mullen R. McDonnell

€20 M. McCormack M. Heavey

€20 Caroline Porter R. McDonnell

€20 Ger Higgins P. Kelly

€20 Seamie Whyte R. McDonnell

Next Draw 21/07/2026

Thanks for your continued support

Ballykelly G.F.C. lotto

Draw Results 13/07/2026

Numbers Drawn

9, 12, 16, 28

Next Weeks Jackpot € 4,400

No Winner

Winners Promoter

€20 C. McEvoy Online

€20 J & T Moore J. Moore

€20 Lynn Franey M.Dowling

€20 Gaye Keogh M. Heavey

€20 G. Harrison G. Harrison

€20 D. Ransome M. Heavey

Next draw: 20/07/2026.

Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.

Results:

10/07/2026

1st : John Duffy c/o: John Duffy

2nd: Claire Dunne c/o: Online

3rd: Dominic Stapleton c/o: Dominic

4th: Gary Farrell c/o: Gary

Seller: John Duffy

Don't just admire the

sunshine—be the

reason July shines

brighter.

ARTFULDIARY

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family of the late Julianne Fardy (née Boland) wish to express their heartfelt gratitude to all those who sympathised with them on their recent bereavement. We are deeply grateful to Julianne's wonderful friends and neighbours for their kindness and support and to everyone who sent Mass cards, messages of condolence and flowers.

A special thanks to Fr Liam, Sr. Angela and Sr. Anne, Paul Hyland Undertaker, Dawn Broughan for the beautiful music, SuperValu, Mayfield (Junction 14) and the Public Health Nurses and Portlaoise Hospital for their dedicated care and compassion.

Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Lough Derg

ST BRIGID'S LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE ASSOCIATION

Three day Pilgrimage

Thursday 13th– Saturday 15th August

Pick ups available from:

Monasterevin 6.25am,

Kildare Town 6.35am,

Newbridge 6.45am, Naas 7am,

Sallins 7.10am, Clane 7.15am,

Kilcock 7.30am, Maynooth 7.45am and Mulhuddart Applegreen Filling Station 8am.

Cost:

Island: €85

Bus: €50 (approx. return)

For Information and Bookings contact:

Joe - 087-3815887

Deirdre – 087-2467594

Or email

deidregleeson@medwise.ie

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

THE CELTIC TENORS

IN CONCERT WITH

MONASTEREVIN GOSPEL CHOIR

Friday 9th October 2026 at 8pm.

St. Peter's & Paul's Church Monasterevin

Tickets €25.00 (non-refundable)

In aid of St. Peter's & Paul's Church & Monasterevin Tidy Towns

Booking at:

Parish Office 045- 525346

Earley's Fashion Shop 045 - 525395

Concert will NOT be Live Streamed on the Night.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME VACANCIES

2 Care Assistants Monasterevin Day Care Centre

To check your eligibility and to apply for the above, please contact the Community Employment Office in Parish Centre Monasterevin 045 525143 or contact your local Intreo Office

CONGRATULATIONS

Welcome into the Christian Community, Fionn Richard Ryan, Hannah Maria Horvat, Sadie Lily Corcoran, Alexandra Mary Titova-Duane & George Patrick Byrne Who were baptised by Fr. Adrian Carbery & Fr. Daithi Kenneally

on Saturday 11th July 2026

BIBLE GROUP

THE BIBLE IS GODS INSTRUCTION BOOK FOR US. LETS READ AND UNDERSTAND IT TOGETHER.

VENUE:- THE PARISH CENTRE.

TIME:- 7PM MONDAY'S. 085 1690527

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The SVP Annual Church Gate Collection will take place on Saturday 25TH & Sunday 26TH July.

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY.

People in your Community need help. Become a Volunteer today and help make a difference. Please visit www.svp.ie and click GET INVOLVED. Contact us: Monasterevin 085-1209577 or volunteer@svp.ie

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

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

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ,.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Wisdom 12: 13. 16 - 19*
A reading from the book of Wisdom

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.

Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.

You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it;

but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience,

for you have only to will, and your power is there.

By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS. 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16

R. O Lord, you are good and forgiving.

- O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call.
Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice. **(R)**
- All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. **(R)**
- But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me. **(R)**

SECOND READING *Romans 8: 26-27*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 13: 24 - 43 (* shorter form 13: 24 -30)*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn." *

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

He told them another parable,

'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfill the prophecy:
I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREEED

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 God, who in the one perfect sacrifice brought to completion varied offerings of the law, accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty may benefit the salvation of all. 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

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

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life.
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.**

focus on sunday

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 19th July 2026 Year A

God knows the good and evil in a person's heart and accepts both in us. He knows our struggles over evil and he both heals and forgives the wrong-doing in our lives.

Our life is a bit like this field ...



Jesus had an urgency about the kingdom. Fire in his belly that God would be alive and well in the world. He wanted to do the world a world of good. And wanting the kingdom – a world of justice, compassion, love to grow in our everyday situations. A real desire for a better world, neighbourhood, family life, community life, marriage – whatever it may be. Like Jesus look at the field and say, I love this field, this world. I love this world with its gold and grey, its saints and sinners. Jesus wanted a better world but first loved the world as it is – lover of all that is. And he ends by saying that evil will not prosper forever, that it will be burned up at the end. Whatever this may mean in fact, it encourages us to know that all efforts to build God's kingdom will in time bear fruit.

The judgment – yes, the field is empty of weeds, but there are no flowers! Nourish what is good, encourage rather than exhort, work for good within the world as it is with its weeds and its flowers, and really desire the kingdom of God.

Donal Neary SJ (Editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



If there was no dark, we would not see shining stars. Babies live in the dark before they are born. Light and Dark is God's Mystery of Love. When someone scores a goal, he/she is delighted, but the goalkeeper is sad. Saints say that when we see GOD, all sad and bad things will be lit up in the Love of God's Face, in Jesus Christ. A Saint who died in prison prayed "May the hurt done to me be accepted as Forgiveness, for those who know not what they do".