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MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER
BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

6th September 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
Maria 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
CHARITY TAX NO. CHY 7355

Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret (Peggy) Downey (née Doyle), Market
Square, Monasterevin who was interred this week. R.I. P.

Saturday 5th September 2026, 6.30 pm Mass
Dennis Meredith, Old Grange, Joseph Dunican & Bernie Dunican (née Teegan) and deceased
members of the Dunican & Teegan families, Bill Kaye, Tipperary, Eileen Grattan & Adrian
Grattan, Cowpasture, Brendan Walsh, St Evin's Pk & Dom Walsh, Angela Eustace (Birthday
Rem.), St. Evin's Pk, Agnes McGlynn, Killinure, Eileen Fleming, Booleigh, Michael Collins
(Birthday Rem) & deceased members of the Collins, Kenna & Patterson Families, Charlie
Harrison, 1 Kill Hill, Joe & Maura Harrison, Fulham & daughter Mary Jackson, Tuam.
Rosanna Keegan, Cowpasture,

Sunday 6th September 2026, 9.00 am Mass
Peter & Susan McDonnell

Sunday 6th September 2026, 11.30 am Mass
Patrick Whelan, Maurice & Bridgid Murphy, Old Grange, Mary Aker, Australia/
Dublin, Sister of Bonny Browns, Ballybrittas, Ester Scully, Mullaghroe

Wednesday 9th September 2026, 10.00 am Mass
Ann & Joe Duffy, Mountrice.

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 390.00
Baskets Collection: € 1275.00

CHOIR

Saturday 12th September
6.30pm: Dawn Broughan

Sunday 13th September
11.30am: Alan Reigh

LOTTO

08/09/2026
TEAM: B
Mary Sweeney, Mary Doyle

READERS

Saturday 12th September
6.30pm: Ger Harrison

Sunday 13th September
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 12th September
6.30pm: Mikey Baker, Pat
Molloy, Dan Clancy, Colette
Walsh

Sunday 13th September
9.00am: Davina Weldon, Sharon
Hanley, Ann McLoughlin
11.30am: Mary O'Leary, Ann
Loneragan, Marie Lawless, Fiona
Behan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 20th September 2026
TEAM B
Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly,
Katie Walsh

Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results 01/09/2026

Numbers Drawn
12, 13, 16, 17

Next Weeks Jackpot € 14,600

No Winner

Winners

€20 Ann Holligan

€20 Ryan Keogh

€20 Ollie Miley

€20 Pat, Ava, Rose

€20 Gaye Kehoe

Promoter

R. Callanan

B. Keogh

G. Harrison

L. Donagher

R. McDonnell

Next Draw 08/09/2026

Thanks for your continued

Ballykelly G.F.C. lotto

Draw Results 31/08/2026

Numbers Drawn
5, 15, 16, 19

Next Weeks Jackpot € 5,600

No Winner

Winners

€20 Dom Lucey

€20 Nuala Hanlon

€20 Caroline Treacy

€20 Joe M. Jnr.

€20 John Coughlan

€20 Breda Buckley

Promoter

Online

P. Donohoe

G. Harrison

G. Harrison

J. Coughlan

P. Brereton

Next draw: 07/09/2026.

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.

Results:
28/08/2026

1st €100 M. King c/o: C. Quinn

2nd €50 Mark Clifford c/o: Ben

3rd €25 Gary Farrell c/o: Gary

4th €25 K. Meredith c/o: Ben

Seller: Catherine Quinn

BLESSING OF
SCHOOLBAGS & BACK
PACKS

As the new Academic Year
is getting underway,
students, teachers and their
families are invited to join
us for a blessing of school/
college bags during Mass
on Saturday 12th
September at 6.30pm and
Sunday 13th September
at 9am & 11.30am.

This is a chance to bring
Gods blessing on all the
hopes and dreams every
student and their families
have for the year ahead.

Happy
Birthday,
Dear
Mother
& Queen!

September 08

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Catholic Fortress
facebook.com/catholicfortress

MARRIAGE
ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Catholic Marriage
Encounter in Ireland
invites married couples to a residential
Weekend from Friday 2nd to
Sunday 4th October 2026 at the
Focolare Centre, Curryhills,
Prosperous, Co. Kildare

A WEEKEND LIKE NO OTHER

www.marriageencounter.ie

A PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of Peace, Father of all, in this
hour of fear and violence, draw near
to every family living under threat.
Protect the innocent, shelter the dis-
placed, comfort the grieving, heal
the wounded, and strengthen all who
bring relief and care.
Turn the hearts of leaders from pride
and anger.
Give them wisdom, restraint, and
courage.
May the weapons of war fall
silent and let honest
negotiations begin.

Save the peoples in war torn coun-
tries from a widening war.

Guard Christmas and all religious
minorities and keep hatred from
hardening into lasting division.
Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ, make
us peacemakers in our homes, our
schools and our
communities.

Bless our prayers and sacrifices, and
let them bear fruit in mercy, justice
and reconciliation.
Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us.
Saint Joseph, protector of families,
pray for us.
Saint Francis of Assisi, pray for us.
AMEN.

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 & Monas-
terevin Tidy Towns

Booking at:

Parish Office 045- 525346
Earley's Fashion Shop
045 - 525395

Concert will NOT be Live
Streamed on the Night



CE SCHEME
VACANCIES

Caretaker Mercy Convent
reference number
CES2467156

To check your eligibility and
to apply for the above, please
call into CE Office Parish
Centre Drogheda St.
Monasterevin or phone
045 525 143

ACTIVATOR POLE
WALK

Join our free 4 weeks
Activator pole walk for a
fun , low-impact workout
that improves balance,
posture and strength.

Courtwood GAA,
R32H6T1.
Starting Thursday 10th
September at 10.00 am.
Contact Catriona on
086 793 5234

CONGRATULATIONS

Welcome into the
Christian Community,
Baby Priscilla Grace Moore

Who was baptised by
Fr Liam Merrigan
on Sunday 30th
August.



SAVE THE DATE!

Mad Hatters Tea Party

Date: 12th September

Time: 2-4pm
Monasterevin Community
Centre & Hopkins Garden.

Celebrate our waterways,
circularity & European
Heritage Day

Free workshops, music &
exhibitions

See Bluewayartstudio.ie/mad-otter-tea-party

BIBLE GROUP

TIME:- 7pm Mondays.

VENUE: Parish Centre

Enquiries: 085
1690527





St. Ciarán
Abbot of Clonmacnoise Abbey
c.516 – c.549
"Apostle of Ireland"
Memorial - 9 September



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

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 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

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Ezekiel 33: 7 - 9*

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent,

then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps. 94:1-2, 6-9*

R. O that today you would listen to his voice!

Harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. **[R]**

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us

for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. **[R]**

3. O that today you would listen to his voice!

'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **[R]**

LOVE YOUR
Neighbour
AS YOURSELF

SECOND READING *Romans 13: 8 - 10*

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

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Your word is truth, O Lord,
consecrate us in the truth.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 18: 15 - 20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he

refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

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.

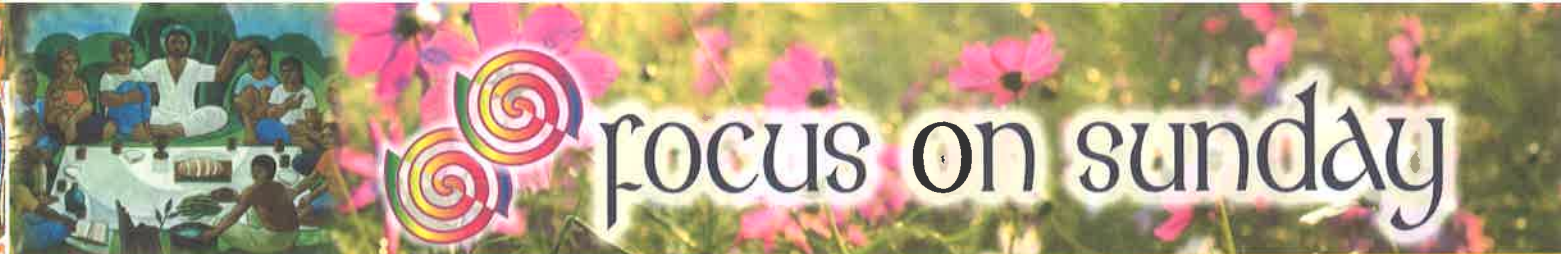
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



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.



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 6th September 2026 Year A

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty, and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. 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.

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

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

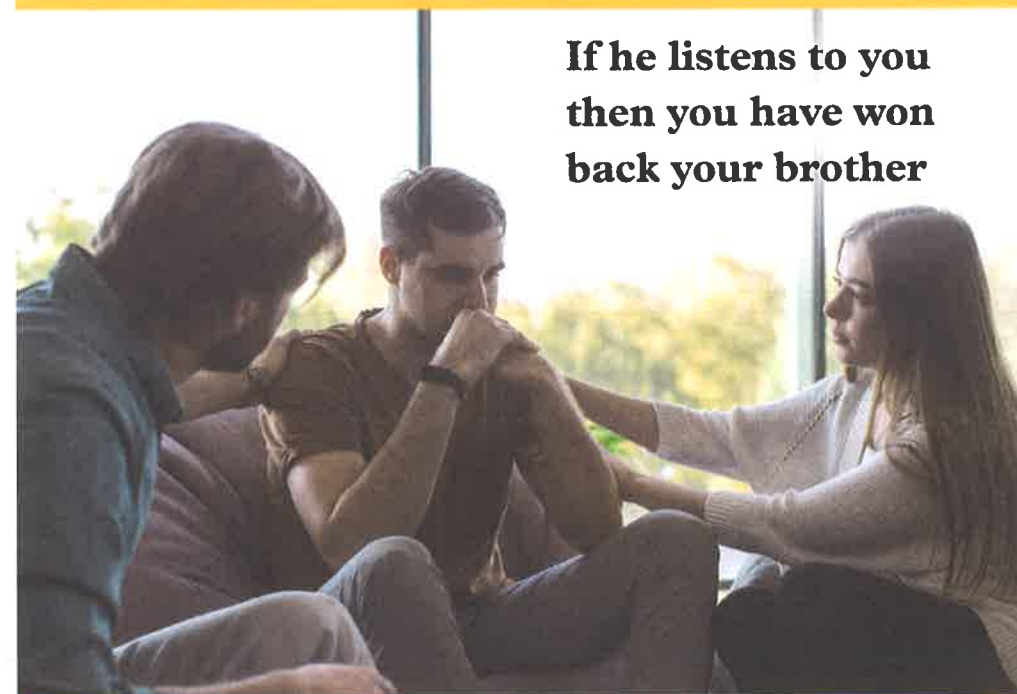
May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever.

Amen.

Go in peace. **Thanks be to God..**

The gospel message is one of joy, rooted in the love and care of Christ for everyone. Today Jesus spells out our Christian family duty - to have a responsibility towards each other: we cannot stand by idly and watch others harm themselves.

If he listens to you then you have won back your brother



Our common home

Matthew chapter 18 is concerned with how the early Christian community might live together in harmony. It reminds us that the church should be a place where the least are considered

the greatest and the last first; where we look out for the most vulnerable, where we are accountable to one another and forgive each other. The teaching reminds us that as church, we belong to one another, sisters and brothers, one body (1 Cor 12).

As we enter into the Season of Creation, this is an appropriate text for it invites us to reflect on how we are called to live in harmony. The realities of the ecological crises our world faces today highlights the great disharmony which exists between humanity and God's creation. We are not living in right relationship with the natural world nor with our sisters and brothers who are suffering the most from the climate and biodiversity crises. We are not living in right relationship with young people who are now growing up for "we may well be leaving to coming generations, debris, desolation and filth" (Laudato Si' §161). Pope Francis called the destruction of nature an ecological sin. This is not easy to hear, for it makes demands on us. The good news is that there is a cure. The Season of Creation invites us to a profound interior conversion where our relationship with nature is concerned and asks us to reflect on how we might care more deeply for God's creation. For this is our common home, the home we all share. We are not alone, Christ is with us on this journey: "For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them".

Jane Mellett & Triona Doherty. Adapted from *The Deep End – A Journey through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Matthew*, Messenger Publications, Dublin, 2022.