

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

4th October 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:

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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

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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

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Martin (Murty) Donohar, Ballagh
Monasterevin and Pauline O' Connell, (née Harrison) Harbour View,
Monasterevin, who were interred during the week. R.I. P.

Saturday 3rd October 2026, 6.30 pm Mass

Kathleen & Mervyn Molyneaux, Nancy & Mick Mulhall, Michael Mulhall Jnr, Linda Seaton (née Mulhall), Brendan Walsh (Birthday Rem.) St. Evins Park, Dom Walsh, Margaret & John Connolly, Monasterevin & New York, Patrick Ready, Martin Malone, Athy & formerly Monasterevin, John & Catherine Fleming, Grangecon (Birthday Rem.), Aoife Brereton, Ballyfarsoon, John & Bridget Harrison, Gurteenoon, Sr. Pivs & Sr. Attracta, Margaret Byrne, Ballykelly, Mary Ann Scully, Mountrice, Patrick Kelly, Lough House, Rathangan, Elizabeth Kelly formerly Passlands, Annette Conolly (Birthday Rem.), St. Evin's Pk, Betty Brennan & Paddy Brennan, Lughill, Bernadette Bonar (née) Hyland, Hughie Bonar, Kathleen Mangan, Kildare, Stephen Nash, 13 Woodview, Constancio Villar,

Sunday 4th October 2026, 9.00 am Mass

Joseph Bond, England, Fr. Jimmy Doyle, Cooleragh, Stapelstown, Michael Kelly Snr, England formerly Passlands, Dick Somers

Sunday 4th October 2026, 11.30 am Mass

Mary Ann Scully, Mountrice, Anna Luttrell, Fisherstown, (Birthday Rem.)

Tuesday 6th October, 2026 10.00am Mass

Ann Foley, Clondalkin

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 330.00
Baskets Collection: € 1295.00

CHOIR

Saturday 10th October '26
6.30pm: Dawn Broughan

Sunday 11th October '26
11.30am: Alan Reigh

LOTTO
06/10/2026

TEAM: C
Rita McDonnell, Gertie Byrne,
Ger Harrison

READERS

Saturday 10th October '26
6.30pm: Rachel Farrell

Sunday 11th October '26
9.00am: Rachel Beattie
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 10th October '26
6.30pm: Colette Walsh, Luke Walsh, Dan Clancy, Ger Harrison
Sunday 11th October '26
9.00am: Sr Angela, Andrew Mahon, Lily Donoghue, Sharon Hanley
11.30am: Mary O' Leary, Anne Whelan, Fiona Behan, James Forde

CHILDREN'S LITURGY Sunday 18th October 2026

TEAM B
Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly,
Katie Walsh

Monasterevin Parish Lotto
Draw Results 29/09/2026
Numbers Drawn
5, 6, 16, 17
Next Weeks Jackpot € 15,400
No Winner

Winners Promoter
€20 Mag Delahunty L. Donoghue
€20 Jim Ryan M. Doyle
€20 Mary & Ann R. McDonnell
€20 Julie O' Loughlan
€20 Bridget O' Neill
Next Draw 06/10/2026
Thanks for your continued

Ballykelly G.F.C. lotto
Draw Results 28/09/2026
Numbers Drawn
6, 10, 19, 24
Next Weeks Jackpot € 6,400
No Winner

Winners Promoter
€20 Darragh Perry Online
€20 John Miller S. White
€20 Eddie Donoghue E. Donoghue
€20 Aileen Kelly A. Kelly
€20 Jade Kelly G. Harrison
€20 Brian Kelly P. Donohar
Next draw: 05/10/2026.

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.
Results:
25/09/2026

€100 Niall Colgan c/o: Jenny
€50 Lynn Franey c/o: Mick Foley
€25 Mervyn McLoughlin c/o: Bingo
€25 Conor Hennessy c/o: Ben

Seller: €25 Jenny Morrissey

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Maher Family wish to express their heartfelt gratitude to everyone who supported them so kindly at the time of Noel's funeral. We extend special thanks to the Guard of Honour Monasterevin GAA Club, And with deep appreciation to the teachers and students of St. Paul's Secondary School, for your kindness, presence, and thoughtful gestures, they meant so much to us. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions. May God bless and reward you all.

DATES FOR FIRST COMMUNION 2027

Monasterevin N.S -
Saturday 15th May 2027
@ 11.00am

Lackagh - Sunday 16th May 2027
@ 11.30am

DATES FOR

Parents meeting for
Monasterevin N.S. and
Lackagh Schools for First
Communion will be held
on
Monday 5th October 2026 at
7.30pm in Parish Church.

Parents need to attend
meeting in order to
register their child. If not
registered, we presume
child will not be making
First Communion.

CONFIRMATION 2027

Monasterevin N.S - Saturday 17th
April 2027 @ 11.00am

Lackagh - Sunday 18th April 2027
@ 11.30am

Parents meeting for
Monasterevin N.S. and
Lackagh Schools for
Confirmation will be held
on
Tuesday 6th October 2026 at
7.30pm in Parish
Church.

Parents need to attend
meeting in order to
register their child. If not
registered, we presume
child will not be making
Confirmation.

FINAL REMINDER

**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)
Available at
Parish Office 045- 525346
Earley's Fashion Shop
045 - 525395

ST FRANCIS PEACE PRAYER

Lord make me an instrument
of your peace; where there is
hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
and where there's sadness,
joy;

Grant that I may not so much
seek to be consoled as to
console; to be understood, as
to understand, to be loved as
to love; for it is giving that
we receive, it is in pardoning
that we are pardoned, and it
is in dying that we are born to
eternal life.

CAMINO DE SANTIAGO

Monasterevin Parish are
organising a trip to Walk the
Camino in Spain,
**Sarria to Santiago—the last
100km.**

This guided walk will cover
approximately 20kms per day,
finishing on the 6th day at The
Tomb of the Apostle,
Cathedral Compostela.

Dates: 7th-14th June 2027,
Departing from Dublin to
Santiago de Compostela.
We will be forming a walking
group in the coming weeks in
preparation for this
experience.

**Limited to 30 places &
application forms can be got
in the Parish office.**

**Cost: €1,185 pps/ €1,130pps
(youth price)**

Return Flights—Airport
Transfers
Private accommodation with
breakfast—5 Walk Days

Marion Pilgrimage Rep
throughout.

Farmers Market taking place
on **Sunday 25th October** from
12 – 4pm in Tirlán
Monasterevin. Produce only (no
arts or crafts). Spaces available
for anyone who wishes to have a
Stall.
For more info contact the branch
on 045-525337 or call instore.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Sunday 4th October
Feast of St. Francis of
Assisi who gave up his
wealthy life to live in
radical poverty, loving
nature and animals and
founding the Franciscan
Order.



Wednesday 7th October
Feast of Our Lady of the
Rosary



Friday 9th October
Feast of St. John Henry
Newman. A famous
theologian, philosopher,
academic, writer, and poet.
A famous quote by him
"To live is to change, and
to be perfect is to have
changed often"



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

GREETING

In the name of the Father, ... **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.

May almighty God have mercy on us,
forgive us our sins,
and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

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,
who in the abundance of your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of
those who entreat you, pour out your
mercy upon us to pardon what conscience
dreads and to give what prayer does not
dare to ask.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *Isaiah 5: 1 - 7*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Let me sing to my friend
the song of his love for his vineyard.
My friend had a vineyard
on a fertile hillside.
He dug the soil, cleared it of stones,
and planted choice vines in it.
In the middle he built a tower,
he dug a press there too.
He expected it to yield grapes, but sour
grapes were all that it gave.
And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and men of Judah, I ask you to judge

between my vineyard and me.
What could I have done for my vineyard
that I have not done?
I expected it to yield grapes.
Why did it yield sour grapes instead?
Very well, I will tell you
what I am going to do to my vineyard:
I will take away its hedge for it to be
grazed on,
and knock down its wall for it to be
trampled on.

I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug;
overgrown by the briar and the thorn.
I will command the clouds
to rain no rain on it.
Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts
is the House of Israel, and the men on
Judah that chosen plant.
He expected justice, but found bloodshed,
integrity, but only a cry of distress.

*The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 79:9, 12-16, 19-20

*R. The vineyard of the Lord is the
House of Israel.*

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;
to plant it you drove out the nations.
It stretched out its branches to the sea,
to the Great River it stretched out its
shoots. **[R]**
2. Then why have you broken down its
walls?
It is plucked by all who pass by.
It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
devoured by the beasts of the field. **[R]**
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
look down from heaven and see.
Visit this vine and protect it,
the vine your right hand has planted. **[R]**
4. And we shall never forsake you again:
give us life that we may call upon your
name.
God of hosts, bring us back;
let your face shine on us and we shall
be saved. **[R]**

SECOND READING *Philippians 4: 6-9*

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to
the Philippians**

There is no need to worry; but if there
is anything you need, pray for it, asking
God for it with prayer and thanksgiving,
and that peace of God, which is so much
greater than we can understand, will
guard your hearts and your thoughts,
in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill
your minds with everything that is true,
everything that is noble, everything that
is good and pure, everything that we
love and honour, and everything that can
be thought virtuous or worthy of praise.
Keep doing all the things that you learnt
from me and have been taught by me
and have heard or seen that I do. Then
the God of peace will be with you.

*The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
**I chose you from the world to go out
and bear fruit,
fruit that will last, says the Lord.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL *Matthew 21: 33 - 43*

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Matthew**

Jesus said to the chief priests and the
elders of the people, 'Listen to another
parable. There was a man, a landowner,
who planted a vineyard; he fenced it
round, dug a winepress in it and built a
tower; then he leased it to tenants and
went abroad. When vintage time drew
near he sent his servants to the tenants
to collect his produce. But the tenants
seized his servants, thrashed one,
killed another and stoned a third. Next
he sent some more servants, this time
a larger number, and they dealt with
them in the same way. Finally he sent
his son to them. "They will respect my
son" he said. But when the tenants saw
the son, they said to each other, "This
is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and
take over his inheritance." So they seized
him and threw him out of the vineyard
and killed him. Now when the owner of
the vineyard comes, what will he do to
those tenants?' They answered, 'He will
bring those wretches to a wretched end
and lease the vineyard to other tenants
who will deliver the produce to him when
the season arrives.' Jesus said to them,
'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders
that became the keystone.
This was the Lord's doing
and it is wonderful to see?
'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God
will be taken from you and given to a
people that will produce its fruit.'

**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,**

All bow for following two lines:
**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,**



TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 4th October 2026 Year A

The graces and gifts which God gives to us are both signs to us
of his love and his care, and also his expectation that they will
bear fruit in our lives.



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

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices
instituted by your commands and, through
the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate
with dutiful service, graciously complete the
sanctifying work by which you are pleased to
redeem us. 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.

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

**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

**Though many, we are one bread, one
body, for we all partake of the one Bread
and one Chalice.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God,
that we may be refreshed and nourished
by the Sacrament which we have received,
so as to be transformed into what we
consume.
Through Christ our Lord.



Jesus is in the Temple, addressing the chief priests and
elders who are questioning his authority. With his parable of
the wicked tenants, he issues a rebuke and a challenge to
these religious leaders who believe they alone have authority.

The tenants in the parable are not fulfilling their responsibilities: instead of
tending the vineyard entrusted to them, they are only looking after themselves.
If we think of the vineyard as our world, this parable jumps into the modern
age. Humanity has been entrusted with this beautiful and bountiful world.
But instead of caring for it and sharing its fruits, those in power exploit it for
their own benefit. We are called to care for this precious vineyard, Earth, our
common home. This involves spiritual conversion and action.

Today we mark the end of the Season of Creation by celebrating the Feast of
St Francis of Assisi. St Francis lived in harmony with creation, with a sense
of wonder and praise for God's gift of life and the gift of creation. As well as
helping the poor and sick, he cared deeply about all creatures on Earth, often
preaching about animals and calling them 'brother' and 'sister', and inviting
flowers to "praise the Lord". St Francis embraced a deep integral ecology,
aware of just how deeply interconnected everything is. He showed us that care
for creation is inseparable from justice for the poor and interior peace. He lived
out this integral ecology joyfully, with an open heart. St Francis takes us to the
heart of what it is to be human and invites us to profound interior conversion.
He challenges us to "see nature as a magnificent book in which God speaks
to us and grants us a glimpse of his infinite beauty and goodness" (Laudato
Si', §12).

We are called into this awareness so that we can begin to repair our broken
relationship with the natural world, turn away from destruction and, feeling
intimately connected to all that exists, care more deeply for our common
home, this vineyard. The natural beauty and diversity of our planet call us into
a deeper communion with the Earth and with God.

Jane Mellett & Triona Doherty. Adapted from *The Deep End – A Journey through the
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