MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER
BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

15th November 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.

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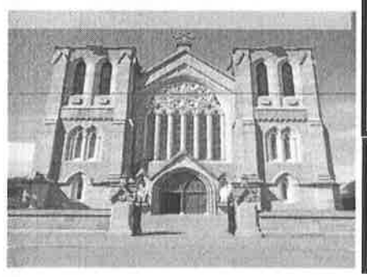

Notices & Anniversaries to be left in the Parish Office by Thursday's @ 1 p.m.

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Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Please pray for the repose of the soul's of Olive Rowan (née Dunne), St Evin's Park, and Mary (May) Miller (née Harrison), Togher Road, who were interred during the week. R.I. P.

Saturday 14th November, 2026 6.30pm Mass
Michael Fearon, St. Evin's Park, Pat Dunne, Lughill; Bridie Nolan, 1176 Cowpasture, The Donoher Family, Umeras, The Kavanagh Family, Harbour View, Thae Connolly Family, Dublin Street, Michael & Kay Kavanagh, Melitta Park, Kildare, Pauline O'Connell, Harbour View, Sarah Clinton, Harbour View, Catherine Early, Main Street, Maisie Delaney, Coole, Micheal Eustace, John O' Neill & his mother Annie O' Neill, Annie Eustace, Peter Eustace, Aubrey Hope, Sean O' Neill, Bobby Cotter (Birthday Rem.), Shirley Foran (nee Keenan), Derrylea & deceased members of the Foran & Keenan Families, deceased members of the Doyle family, Lughill, Paddy & Geraldine Harrison, Larchill, Sr's Juliana & Monica, Sr. Clare Crochett, Knockbeg College, Carlow, Mary & Jimmy McRedmond, England, Linda Doyle, Kildangan, Charlie & Mrs. Switzer, John & Neddy Foley, Mrs. Rose, Kathleen & James Stynes, Mary & Patrick Mahon, Sr. Fionnuala Byrne, Lily & Jim Mannion, Niall Hogan, Tom Brereton, St Evins Park, Ann Sheridan, her son Brendan & deceased members of the Sheridan family, John Fenlon, Ballybrittas

Sunday 15th November, 2026 9.00am Mass
Etta, Patrick & Peter Looby, Clogheen, Patrick McLoughlin, Clogheen, James (Shay) Dunne, St Evins Park, John O'Neill, Annie O'Neill, Mary & James Melia, Ballyfarsoon, Patrick Morgan, Joe Morgan, Margaret Moran, James McDonald, Patrick Moran, Julia & Michael McCabe & son Joe, Cowpasture, Michael Butler, Kildare, Christopher Brown, England formerly Mooretown, Tom Brereton, St Evins Pk, Mag Flynn, Hybla, Sarah Flynn, St Evins Pk, Mary & Bernard Comeskey, Tom Monaghan, Michael & Elizabeth Connolly, Drawbridge, Tom, Jim & Stephen Connolly, Dublin St., Hugh & Mary Connolly, Mountmellick, Peter Connolly, Bagnelstown, The Fitzgerald Family, Ballykelly.

Sunday 15th November 2026 11.30am Mass
Eileen McGlynn, St Evin's Pk., Joseph & Margaret Carmody, Dublin Street & their children, Noel, Tom & Greta, John O'Neill, Coolnaferagh, Tom Perry, Borraderra, Brigid (Bridie) Donoher, Cloncarlin, Brendan & Anne Kearney, Dublin,

Wednesday 18th November 2026 10.00am Mass
Martin Carroll

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: €660.00
Baskets Collection: €1590.00

CHOIR
Saturday 21st November '26
6.30pm: Family Choir

Sunday 22nd November '26
11.30am: Gospel Choir

LOTTO
17/11/2026
TEAM: C
Rita McDonnell, Gertie Byrne, Ger Harrison

READERS
Saturday 21st November '26
6.30pm: Deirde Cotter

Sunday 22nd November '26
9.00am: Lisa-Marie Duffy
11.30am: James Forde

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 21st November '26
6.30pm: Luke Walsh, Cathy Cullen, Mary Ryan, Dan Clancy

Sunday 22nd November '26
9.00am: Rachel Farrell, Davina Weldon, Andrew Mahon
11.30am: Marie Lawless, Rita McDonnell, Anne Whelan, Ann Fearon

CHILDREN'S LITURGY
Sunday 22nd November 2026

TEAM B
Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly, Katie Walsh

Monasterevin Parish Lotto
Draw Results 10 /11/2026
Numbers Drawn
3, 11, 17, 19
Next Weeks Jackpot €16,600
No Winner

Winners		Promoter
€20	Ogie Bracken	G. H.
€20	Ticket 1016	M. D
€20	Keith Callan	G. H
€20	M. Dempsey	G. Byrne
€20	Tina Cooke	G. H

Next Draw 17/11/2026
Thanks for your support

Ballykelly G.F.C. lotto
Draw Results 09/11/2026
Numbers Drawn
14, 15, 16, 21
Next Weeks Jackpot '€ 7,600
No Winner

Winners		Promoter
€20	Marie Mc Cabe	Online
€20	K. Donegan	P. Donoher
€20	Peter Moore	P. Moore
€20	Paddy Forde	M. Forde
€20	J. Pender & G. Murray	P. P
€20	Mary & Ashling	M. Forde

Next draw: 16/11/2026.
Thanks for your continued support

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.
Results:
06/11/2026

€100	John Harrison	c/o Buddy
€50	Lily Oakley	c/o Earleys
€25	Aoife Stapleton	c/o Dominic
€25	Lily Daffy	c/o Earleys

Seller: €25 Buddy

CHRISTMAS

This year we have in Stock in the Parish Office, **Christmas Mass Bouquets from Monasterevin.** Please drop in to see our beautiful arrangement of Christmas Cards and Gifts for that Special Person this **Christmas Season**. The Girls in the Parish Office will be glad to assist you.



DATES FOR FIRST COMMUNION MASSES 2027

Masses for 1st Communion

Sunday 22nd November @ 11.30am

DATES FOR CONFIRMATION MASSES 2027

Masses for Confirmation

Saturday 21st November @ 6.30pm (All Schools)

CHRISTMAS ANNIVERSARIES

Due to the high amount of anniversaries on the weekend of Saturday 19th December and Sunday 20th December Its impossible to fit them on the newsletter and call out all the names.

A list of all names will be displayed in the Scared Space at each mass. During Mass a Candle will be lit in the Scared Space for all the loved ones and a minutes silence will be held.

PRESENTATION SISTERS

On Christmas Eve 1775 in Cork, Nano Nagle, with her three companions – Mary Ann Collins, Mary Fouhy and Elizabeth Burke, founded a religious community in response to God's call to them to become consecrated women who would dedicate themselves to bearing the light of hope **'to a people who walked in darkness'**.

The Congregation, will officially mark the 250th Anniversary on **Sunday 22nd November 2026 @ the 11.30am Mass**

All are welcome to attend.

FR. LIAM'S RAMBLERS !

Every Wednesday night come and walk with Fr Liam and those preparing for the Camino de Compostela.

Walk starts at **7pm** from Parish Centre and we walk around the town.

We are hoping to build up by adding a little bit extra every week.

All are welcome.
Walk finishes at **8pm.**



Caragh Church to Enshrine Relics of St Carlos Acutis

The Church of Our Lady & St Joseph in Caragh, Co. Kildare, will host a special celebration at **6.30pm on Thursday 19th November 2026,** for the enshrinement of the first-class relics of St Carlo Acutis. The chief celebrant will **be Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin.**

All are welcome to attend.

Scoil Bhríde Lackagh Bake Sale

Will take place in the **Parish Hall**, after each Mass, on the weekend of **the 21st & 22nd November.**
There will be a range of home baked goods/treats and an opportunity to win a beautiful hamper.

Many thanks for your support, Parent's Association, Scoil Bhríde Lackagh.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Due to the huge volume of requests for assistance at Christmas. We ask that those seeking help, please apply **before the end of November.**

PRAYERS IN THE CEMETERY WILL TAKE PLACE **ON SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER@ 3PM**

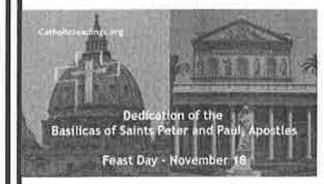
Candles will be sold at the mass, please support our fundraiser for our Camino walk next June for the John Paul II Students who are travelling on the Camino.

REMEMBRANCE MASSES FOR NOVEMBER

St Paul's Deceased Staff and Pupils Remembrance Mass will take place on **Saturday 21st November @ 6.30pm**

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Wednesday November 18th is the **Feast Day of the Dedication of the Bascilica to St. Peter & Paul.** This day commemorates St. Peter's Bascilica in the Vatican and St. Paul's outside the Vatican.



Saturday 21st November celebrates the **Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.** This day Mary is brought by her parents to the Temple to be consecrated and dedicated to God.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.
You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

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

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….
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

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God,
the constant gladness of being
devoted to you,
for it is full and lasting happiness
to serve with constancy
the author of all that is good.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Proverbs 31: 10-13.19-20. 30-31.

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.
A perfect wife - who can find her?
She is far beyond the price of pearls.
Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit.
Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life.
She is always busy with wool and with flax she does her work with eager hands.
She sets her hands to the distaff,
her fingers grasp the spindle.
She holds out her hand to the poor,
she opens her arms to the needy.
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.
Give her a share in what her hands have worked for,
and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps. 127: 1 - 5*

R. O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. *(R)*
2. Your wife like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. *(R)*
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life. *(R)*

SECOND READING *1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6*

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.
You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.
But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 25: 14 - 30*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. (*Shorter from in italics)
Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. **Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir", he said you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."** His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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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

Grant, O Lord, we pray, that what we offer in the sight of your majesty may obtain for us the grace of being devoted to you and gain us the prize of everlasting happiness.
Through Christ our Lord.

EUCHARISTIC 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.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

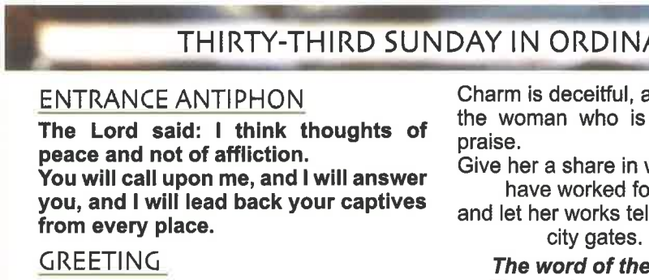
Behold the Lamb of God, ...
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, humbly imploring, O Lord, that what your Son commanded us to do in memory of him may bring us growth in charity. Through Christ our Lord.



focus on sunday

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 15th November 2026 Year A

World Day of the Poor

We find today an invitation from the gospel to put all our talents at the service of God and of his kingdom.





Today the Church asks us to reflect on poverty in our world and our country and how we should respond. While climate change, war, and natural disasters such as droughts and floods contribute to poverty, the basic cause of poverty is the unfair distribution of the world's resources. The wealth of the world's 3,000 billionaires grew by $2.8 trillion in 2024 and now stands at $18.3 trillion while 3.6 million people remain in poverty, a figure that is largely unchanged since 1990. The wealth of the world's richest 1% would eliminate global poverty 22 times over (Oxfam report). But we all have a role to play. We live in a culture that promotes the idea that the only real security in life is financial security, encouraging us to seek to accumulate as much as possible, for the sake of our families. Greed has become a virtue! Perhaps it is, not money, but the love of money which is the root of all evil.

Dependency on others is seen as a vulnerability which we have to overcome, through building up our finances. Our culture also seeks to persuade us that "what I have is mine and I can do what I want with it." But the Gospel is very clear, that what I have that I do not need (admittedly a very subjective judgement that requires discernment) belongs to those who are in need. We are all called by the gospel to "live simply and share generously."

Fr. Peter McVerry SJ

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

I liked the colours in The Church Window. All were different and held together in light, like a happy family. Every person is a colour of God, and is like a talent, to let the light of God's Love shine through us. We let the love of God shine through us when we smile, offer to help, say please and thanks and respect our mother Nature.

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