

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday September 15th, 2024

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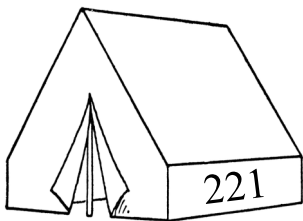
'But you...who do you say I am'?..... 'You are the Christ'.

The readings this week invite us to reflect on the person of Jesus, the Christ, and the challenges and possible suffering involved in being his follower. In the 1st, from Isaiah's third song of the Suffering Servant, we see a description of the ideal disciple. Despite intense suffering and misery, this person never loses hope and trust in the Lord. When we come to the Gospel, we are invited, like Peter, to make our own profession of faith. However, proclaiming that Jesus is the Christ also means accepting that hardships will come our way. We may well have to take up our cross to follow him. This week, then, we may want to focus our prayer on all who suffer for their beliefs in the Lord, and for all those who are in need of safety, food and shelter, wherever they may be.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Liberty Island New York & Alcatraz to San Francisco Bay Swims!

Joan Fennelly is undertaking these 2 sponsored swims in aid of Mountmellick St. Vincent de Paul and in memory of her late mother Marie Fennelly who was a leading member of Mountmellick SVP. SVP Mountmellick are very grateful to Joan for holding this fundraiser and will ensure any funds raised are put to good use helping those in need in the community. All donations no matter how small are very much appreciated. Thank you.



PLEDGE YOUR PIN FOR PEACE

**STAND 221 at the Ploughing
Diocese Of Kildare & Leighlin**

Once again, the diocese will be present in Ratheniska for the **Ploughing Championships** this year. At our Diocesan Stand **221** visitors will be invited to pledge their 'desire for peace' in our world by placing a coloured pin on a specially designed St. Brigid's Cross, which, we hope, will be presented to Pope Francis next year during World Youth Day in Rome. The 'Pledge Your Pin For Peace' initiative will be a practical way of expressing our 'no' to the horrific wars that are affecting the lives of so many all over the globe. It is hoped that in pledging a pin for peace people will make a commitment to pray for peace. An initiative to set our phones to 'Ping for Peace' will also be launched. As always, the cherished tradition of having blessed salt available to bring home and spread on land and gardens will continue.
All visitors welcome.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered: Stephen Sheil, Pattison Estate, Pad O'Connell, Pat O'Toole, Davin Park, Kathleen Lalor, Harbour St., James & Mary Ann Gorman, Lower Forest, Bill Geoghegan, Davitt Road, Liam A. Scott, Marian Keane (nee) McRedmond, Killarney & Harbour St, Lowry Murphy, Annette O'Neill, Twomey Park, Sr. Assunta Kirwan, Mountmellick & London,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday September 21st & 22nd: Thomas Dempsey, Clonterry, Thomas Dowling, Killeen, Helen Utter, Christina & Anthony Reddin, Harbour St., Leo & Brigid Deffew, Emmet St.,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday September 7th & 8th

Envelopes: €695

Baskets: €550

THANK YOU THANK YOU DONATE ONLINE

You can make your donation to support the parish via the 'Donate' button on our Parish Website, www.mountmellickparish.ie

CHEQUES CHEQUES

Please make all cheques for the parish payable to
"Mountmellick Parish No 1 Account".

Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday September 21st & 22nd

7.30pm: Sr. Ann Walsh

11.00am: Bernie Reddin

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday September 21st & 22nd

7.30pm: Bernadette Clear & Oliver Ging

11.00am: Mary Walsh & Antoinette Makim

Sunday Evening Devotions

All are welcome between 7.00pm and 7.30pm this Sunday evening in the parish church for devotions and prayers. There will also be time for quiet personal reflection and adoration before The Blessed Sacrament.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday September 11th

Jackpot Numbers: 13, 14, 23, 31

No Jackpot winner.

Matched '3' - €143 each.

N/W Jackpot is: €14,000

Winner

T & J Hamill

Promoter

F. Hibbitts

CELEBRATING BAPTISM

If you have a baby for Baptism, please make sure we have your "Baptism Registration Form" on file in the Parish Office.

Welcome to our newly baptised...

Cillian Michael Eoin O'Mara, Ardrahan.

"O Angel of God, my Guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here, ever this day, be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen."

Season of Creation Season of Creation

"We are called to be responsible stewards and citizens as we care for and sustain the earth which belongs to the Lord. We each need to do our part for creation. (World Council of Churches)

Family Vocations Crusade Area Mass

in St. Brigid's Church, Rosenallis on Thursday

September 26th at 7.30pm.

Celebrant: Fr. Paul Monaghan SMA. All welcome.

MOUNTMELICK MEN'S SHED
The Men's Shed will hold a **Table Quiz** in The Druid on Friday September 20th at 9.00pm.

Table of 4 - €40. Quizmaster Michael Linehan.

THE BALCONY CINEMA

Wednesday 18th September

Will show **"The Keeper"**

A German soldier, is imprisoned by the British forces in World War II. Soon, fate changes and he goes on to become a goalkeeper for an English football team.

Adm: €5. Refreshments served.

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

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New Child Safeguarding Policy 2024

"A Safe and Welcoming Church – Safeguarding Children Policy and Standards for the Catholic Church in Ireland, 2024" – launched on 11th of June 2024. You can access the policy by visiting the National Board website, www.safeguarding.ie



Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart.