



Mountmellick Parish Newsletter



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday October 13th, 2024

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The Synodal Pathway

of the Catholic Church in Ireland

communion participation mission

**Together
With You**

The Synod on Synodality, Rome, October 2024.

The second Vatican assembly for the global Synod on Synodality began on Oct. 2nd, bringing together clerics and laity alike for nearly one month of discussions. The Synod was initiated by Pope Francis in October 2021, when Catholics worldwide were asked to submit feedback on the question “What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our ‘journeying together?’” At the Synod’s opening mass Pope Francis emphasized the need for ‘conversion’ - involving a change of heart, a change of mentality, a change in the way we live and act as followers of Jesus Christ in the church and in the world. During the synod’s first press conference on Oct. 3rd, US Bishop, D. Flores said that in order to tackle the biggest challenges facing the church, Catholics must listen to those from different countries and cultures and with different life experiences. “Perspective is not the enemy of the truth. It’s the normal way of the church. That’s why we have four Gospels,” Bishop Flores said. The Synod will conclude with a vote on the final document on Oct. 26th, and Mass the following day.

The
Word
of God

Today’s readings stress the need for wisdom when discerning our priorities. They challenge us to see the world and our place in it through the lens of wisdom. The First Reading says that wisdom, God’s greatest gift, is more valuable than anything else; having wisdom means possessing all things. Wisdom is personified; she is God’s own self for us. It is the Word of God, enfleshed in Jesus of Nazareth, that discerns the priorities of the rich young man in the Gospel. Because nothing is hidden from God, the wealthy man is seen, and sees himself held accountable. He is invited to perceive the distractions his great wealth brings, and to receive the riches of deep relationship with Christ. This week, we pray that we might be open to the irresistible Word and Wisdom of God; that we might let ourselves be discerned and challenged; that we may become truly rich in Christ.

Bishop Announces New Lay Pastoral Minister Training Programme in our Diocese.

The Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin, mindful of the present and future needs of our parishes, is inviting lay people to step forward and answer an important call to service. A new training programme has been developed to equip lay people with the essential skills they need to serve as Lay Pastoral Ministers within parishes and pastoral areas. The Lay Pastoral Ministers (Diploma in Pastoral Ministry, Level 7) programme aims to nurture and develop the gifts and talents of lay leaders, preparing them to undertake significant roles within their parishes and pastoral areas. Members of the public are being invited to an information meeting, a series of which are detailed below, to find out more about the Diploma in Pastoral Ministry, Level 7. These meetings will offer an opportunity to anybody who is curious to learn more about the course, its objectives, and the benefits it offers to participants and their communities. Together With You. Please spread the word! Information Sessions take place as follows: Monday, 4th November: Mount Wolseley, Tullow: Tuesday, 5th November: Westgrove Hotel, Clane **Wednesday, 6th November: Solas Bhríde, Kildare Town:** Thursday, 7th November: Dolmen Hotel, Carlow **Wednesday, 13th November: Parish Centre, Leighlinbridge: Thursday, 14th November: Mount Saint Anne’s, Killenard.** All meetings will commence at 7.30 pm, with tea and coffee available from 7.15pm. Further information from Patrick Roche, Diocesan Director of Parish Development, Ph 083/8305681; email parishdevelopment@kandle.ie.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

Month's Mind: Billy Peake, O'Moore St., mass on Tuesday October 15th at 7.30pm.

For the following whose anniversaries are remembered this weekend and for whom Mass will be offered:

John Joe Gorman, Lower Forest, Bridie Conroy, Chapel St., Bridie Birrane, Graigue & Bradford, Leo Dunne, Derryguile, Lar Geoghegan, Bay Road, Edward Flanagan, Patrick St.,

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday October 19th & 20th: Martha Horan, Strahard,

Masses available on parish webcam or church radio.



First **GROW IN LOVE - First Holy Communion**

Next Saturday evening Communion (19th) in the Parish Church and/or next Sunday morning (20th) in Clonaghadoo we look forward to welcoming the girls and boys from 2nd class and their parents/guardians to our masses (you are welcome to attend which ever mass suits you best). The journey to next May and First Holy Communion Day has begun and with the children and their families joining us at mass we all get the chance to walk with them and support them in their preparations.

MOUNTMELICK PARISH

Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday October 5th & 6th
Envelopes: €1300 - Baskets: €780

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

Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

**Designated Liaison Person &
Director of Safeguarding - Ailish Higgins.**

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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

Ministers of the Word

Saturday/Sunday October 19th & 20th

7.30pm: Sr. Ann Walsh

11.00am: Sheelagh Coyle

Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday/Sunday October 19th & 20th

7.30pm: Oliver Ging & Ger Rochford

11.00am: Bernie Reddin & Mona Conroy

OCTOBER ROSARY

Praying of the Rosary every Sunday evening for the month of October at 7.00pm in St. Joseph Church. All welcome.



The Rosary will be recited in **Castlebrack Cemetery** every Sunday evening at **5.00pm** (please note change of time) for the month of October. All welcome.

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...

Páidí Séan Sherwin, Ballacollig

MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday October 9th

Jackpot Numbers: 6:11:14:17

No Jackpot winner. 27 Matched '3' - €38 each.

N/W Jackpot is: €18,000

Name

All for One

Marian Hall

Promoter

Frances Hibbits

Eamonn Comerford

MOUNTMELICK ARTS CENTRE

Balcony Theatre

Presents Emer Dunne Trio on Saturday October 19th.

Doors open at 7.30pm, show 8.00pm.

A great night of live music and song. Tickets €15 for booking contact 086 3758602.

Online booking at www.wewillgo.com

THANK YOU

Mountmellick St. Vincent de Paul would like to thank all who supported their recent fundraising Coffee Morning.

THE BALCONY CINEMA

Wednesday 16th October.

Will show **"The Bookshop"** at 8.00pm

Adm: €5. Refreshments served.