



# Mountmellick Parish Newsletter



**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Sunday November 3rd, 2024**

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**Opening Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday & Friday 10.30am to 1.00pm - 3.00pm to 4.30pm.**

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## Love the Lord your God and love your neighbour as yourself.

The readings this week remind us that the love of God and the love of other people lie at the core of our lives as Christians. In the First Reading, Moses reminds the people of Israel, who are about to enter the promised land, that they must love God with all their heart, soul and strength. Answering the question posed by a scribe in the Gospel, Jesus goes beyond the exhortation of Moses. We are indeed to love God, but we must also love our neighbour. Love of God, the greatest commandment, is inseparable from love of neighbour. This week, we might want to focus our prayer on the people around us, near and far, that they should know and love the Lord, and live in peace.



## NOVEMBER THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS Prayer in Time Of Bereavement

Lord, you are close to the broken hearted. Be with me now in my grief and loneliness. Give me the courage to face my loss and not to grieve in silence. Be with me as I struggle with many different and painful feelings. Ease the hurt in my heart. Encircle me in your love. Help me to believe that one day I will no longer have this deep sorrow. May I find comfort in sharing my grief, with those who understand the strong bonds of love. Stay with me Lord, support me. Help me to know that your power is at work within me as I deal with my grief. Amen. *Sr Sheila McCauliffe RSCJ*

## New Lay Pastoral Minister Training Programme. For you?

The Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin has developed a new training programme to equip lay people with the skills they need to serve as Lay Pastoral Ministers within parishes and pastoral areas. **Interested?** A series of information evenings about the programme is about to begin. **Come along.** These meetings will offer you an opportunity to learn more about the course, its objectives, and the benefits it offers to participants and their communities. 'Information Evenings' (1) Solas Bhríde, Kildare Town, on Nov 6th, and/or (2) Mt. St. Anne's, Killenard on Nov 14th, both beginning at 7.30pm. **All are welcome.** Further information from Patrick Roche, Diocesan Director of Parish Development, Ph 083/8305681; email parishdevelopment@kandle.ie. Details also on www.kandle.ie

## November Cemetery Prayers and Rosary

**Clonaghadoo Cemetery** There will be Rosary in Clonaghadoo Cemetery after 9.00am mass this Sunday morning Nov 3rd to pray for the Holy Souls.

**St. Joseph's Cemetery, Acragar** You are invited to our Cemetery Prayers and Rosary on **Sunday Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>** at 2.00pm. in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Acragar.



## ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS Tuesday November 26<sup>th</sup>

All parishioners who have died since last November will be especially remembered in our Annual Remembrance Mass on Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Family members will be invited to attend and light a commemorative candle as we name and pray for their faithful departed. (Candles will be provided).

## REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED - ANNIVERSARIES

**Month's Mass:** Brigid Holohan, Davin Park, mass on Tuesday November 5th at 7.30pm.

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

Frank McAuley, Sarsfield St., Willie Culleton, Garoon, Michael Bergin, Cloncannon, Nancy Sexton, Town Parks, Annie Glennon, Pattison Est., Seamus Conroy, Patrick Markey Coss, Twomey Park, Dominic Cooper, Ashgrove, Patrick, William & Michael Deegan, Derryguile, Kevin Wall, Derryguile, Thomas Ward, Acragar, John Byrne, Ashgrove, Desmond O'Riordan, Parnell St., Donal Lawlor, Killeenmore & Aughans, Ellen Brennan, James, Kathleen & William Troy, Garoon, James, Catherine, Joseph & Sonny, Dunne, Wolfetone St.,

**For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday November 9th & 10th:** Pat Horan, Manor Road,

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH

#### Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday October 26th & 27th

Baskets: €765

Envelopes: €1,000

**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](http://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 November 9th & 10th**

**7.30pm:** Ann Conroy

**11.00am:** Bernie Reddin

### Ministers of the Eucharist

**Saturday/Sunday November 9th & 10th**

**7.30pm:** Bernadette Clear & Sebastian Kopijka

**11.00am:** Paddy Buggy & Noreen Savage

### 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.



### 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...

**Louie Dunne, Ashgrove.**

"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."

### THE BALCONY CINEMA

Wednesday 6th October.

Will show "The Painted Veil" at 8.00pm

Adm: €5. Refreshments served.

### Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

**Designated Liaison Person &**

**Director of Safeguarding - Ailish Higgins.**

**Telephone: 085 8021633.**

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**Local Enquiries.**

**Parish Office: Tel. 057/8624390.**

**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](http://www.safeguarding.ie)

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday October 30th

Jackpot Numbers: 10:20:22:28:

No Jackpot winner. 16 Matched '3' - €63 each.

N/W Jackpot is: €20,000

#### Name

Eleanor & Edwina

Eamon Dunne

Mary & Me

#### Promoter

Eleanor Duff

John Turner

Anne Weston

**May the Lord support us all the day long, till the shades lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed and the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then in His love and mercy may He give us a safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at last. Amen. (Blessed Henry Newman)**

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**"BINGO BINGO"**

Mountmellick Community Arts Centre  
this Sunday evening at **8.00pm. Check!!**

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**MOUNTMELICK ARTS CENTRE**

Joseph Gorman "The Modern Irish Ballad" Album Launch  
Saturday November 9th at 8pm. Featuring Emer Dunne & supporting act The Timahoe Men's Choir.

Free Ticketed Event, tickets from O'Gorman's, Patrick Street & Portlaoise Parish Centre, limited number of tickets at the door.

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**My Sisters Closet** are hosting a Pop Up Shop in Notions Coffee Shop, O'Connell Square on Saturday November 9th from 10am to 3.30pm.  
Featuring a curated collection of preloved and vintage clothing.