



# Mountmellick Parish Newsletter



**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Sunday November 17th, 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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communion participation mission

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**You will show me the path of life the fullness of joy in your presence.** As we approach the end of the Church year, the readings challenge us to reflect on the 'End Times' and the hope we have in Christ. Today's Scripture reveals the fidelity of our God who stays with us through it all, encouraging us to remain faithful to God's love, even in difficult times. The poetic, symbolic language of the 1<sup>st</sup> Reading offers hope to those facing persecution. Jesus uses similar imagery in the Gospel to describe a world beset by turmoil and distress, just like our own. Jesus nevertheless assures his disciples (including us) of his constant presence and his ultimate victory. God's promises will be fulfilled: we can be confident in knowing that we will rejoice with Christ forever. This week, as we pray for each other, may we follow the Lord's path of life closely, showing it to others through the way we live our own lives.



**Happy Presentation Day. Nov 21<sup>st</sup>.** On Thursday next we celebrate the feast of "The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary" or, as its better known, "**Presentation Day**". The day especially honours the 'Presentation Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary' and here in the parish we are privileged and blessed to have The Presentation Sisters as part of our community and grateful for their dedicated service and kindness shared for so many years. As Presentation Sisters and friends of Nano Nagle, all over the world celebrate, **we wish all our Presentation Sisters here in Mountmellick a very Happy 'Presentation Day'**. Nano Nagle founded the congregation now known as the Presentation Sisters in 1775. Since then, the Presentation Sisters have educated young people and cared for the sick and the poor all over the world.



Communion

## GROW IN LOVE - First Holy Communion - Welcome

This weekend we welcome the girls and boys from 2<sup>nd</sup> class and their parents/guardians to our First Holy Communion Preparation Masses (Sat. 7.30pm & Sun. 9.00am in Clonaghadoo). Our focus this month is on the different ways in which our parish family remembers and prays for those who have died - All Saints, All Souls, and all our own, who live with God in love.

## Week of Witness/Red Wednesday Nov 17-24 ACN.

Did you know, some 360 million Christians live in countries where they are persecuted for their faith? Each year the papal charity **Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Ireland** – which supports some 6,000 communities in 140 countries – highlights their plight during the 'Week of Witness' (Nov. 17-24). *Red Wednesday (Nov. 20)* is the highlight of the week, and Catholics are urged to keep the suffering Church in their prayers in a special way – especially remembering Christians who experience discrimination and persecution in places hostile to their faith. You can find out more on [www.acnireland.org](http://www.acnireland.org)

## November Cemetery Prayers and Rosary

You are invited to our Cemetery Prayers and Rosary this **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 Mind Mass:** Brendan Coss, Wolfetone Court, Tuesday November 19th at 7.30pm.

**1st Anniversary Mass:** Maureen Delaney, Kirwan Park, mass on Thursday November 21st at 7.30pm.

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

Alice Murphy, Garoon, Rena Coss, Garoon, Tony Nugent, formerly Sarsfield St., Ellen Comerford, Manor Lane, Daragh Lee, Grange Hall, Kathleen Cussen, Derryguile, Elizabeth Hickey, Emmet St., Angela Byrne, Borness, Sheila Fitzpatrick, Ashgrove & Cappinrush, Ballyfin, Simon & Vera O'Mara, Hill 60, Edward & Elizabeth Dempsey, St. Joseph Tce., Mary Fennelly, Emmet St., Paul, Oliver & Albert Byrne, Newry, John Dunne, Emmet St., James & Elizabeth Deegan, Borness, Noelle Kelly, Emmet St., Patrick Duffy & Patrick Duffy Jnr & Carmel Dunne (nee Duffy), Hill 60, Maud Hill, Suzanne Ennis, Patrick & May Murphy, O'Connell Square,

***For those whose anniversaries occur at this time and for whom Mass will be offered next weekend Saturday/Sunday November 23rd & 24th:*** Michael Dunne, Patrick St., Edward Dunne, Davitt Road,

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH

#### Collections - Collections

Saturday/Sunday November 9th & 10th

Baskets: €870

Envelopes: €1,015

**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 23rd & 24th**

**7.30pm:** Bernadette Clear

**11.00am:** Vincent McEvoy

### Ministers of the Eucharist

**Saturday/Sunday November 23rd & 24th**

**7.30pm:** Gillian Colgan & Ger Rochford

**11.00am:** Michael Gormley & Bernie Reddin

### 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



### 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...

**Emily Gorman, Emmet Street.**

**Ned Conroy, Moneyquid.**

"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 20th October, will show "That They May Face The Rising Sun" at 8.00pm.

### Kildare & Leighlin SAFEGUARDING

#### Designated Liaison Person &

Director of Safeguarding - Ailish Higgins.

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**Local Enquiries.**

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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". [www.safeguarding.ie](http://www.safeguarding.ie)

### MOUNTMELICK PARISH LOTTO

Wednesday November 13th

Jackpot Numbers: 7:17:24:31:

No Jackpot winner. 19 Matched '3' - €53 each.

N/W Jackpot is: €20,000

#### Name

Liam & John

Paddy Murphy

Tom Dunne

#### Promoter

Anne Weston

Joe Dunne

Joe Dunne

### Congratulations



To Jordan Murphy & Jessica Comerford who married in St. Joseph's Church, on Friday November 15th.

May the Lord keep them forever in fidelity and love.

**Popes Prayer Intention for November: For anyone who has lost a child** We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

### PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday & Friday 21st & 22nd November. Notices, anniversaries etc for the Nov. 25th newsletters should be left into the post box at the office door or email: [stjosephs1878@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephs1878@gmail.com)  
Thank you.

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**MISSION ALIVE:** Annual Quiz in the Druid on Friday November 29th at 9.30pm. Table of 4 €20. Raffle prizes welcome. Proceeds to Orphan Project in Lusaka in Zambia.