

## St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 5<sup>th</sup> March '23 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. of Len

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### Mass Times Anniversaries Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> March '23

Fri. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mch. 5.00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.	<i>Lord, for your Faithful People, life is changed, not ended</i>
7.30 pm	Celebration of the Eucharist	
Sat. 4 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 8.00 pm	William Seale, Clonagown. 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv, James Horan, Old Deerpark. 6 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. Kathleen Fitzpatrick, Ross	
Sun. 5 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 10.00 am	Michael (Mick) Kelly, Clonagown. 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.	
Mon. 6 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 7.00 pm	Apostolate of Sanctification.	
Fri. 10 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 5.00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
7.30 pm	Celebration of the Eucharist	
Sat. 11 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 8.00 pm	Joseph and Kathleen Dowling, Cavansheath Sons, Martin and Ollie and Thomas Fitzpatrick Pauline and John Fitzpatrick, Barkmills and deceased members of Fitzpatrick family.	
Sun. 12 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 10.00 am	Sadie Breen (Nee Thompson) Craydon Court, 9 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. David Fitzgerald, Cappina Claire. 9 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.	
Mon. 13 <sup>th</sup> Mch. 7.00 pm	Apostolate of Sanctification.	

### P.T.A.A. Short Term Pledge

Consider taking the Pioneer Short-Term Pledge for lent? For the duration of Lent, many people choose to abstain from alcohol. If you would like to make this pledge for six weeks, you can join online at [www.pioneerassociation.ie](http://www.pioneerassociation.ie)

### Prayer For Temperance

Dear Lord, let temperance grow in me and lead me to discover other virtues that bring deeper union with you. In your sacred name, I pray, Temper my desires, O Lord, and turn my focus towards you. Deliver me from the tendency to go to extremes that strain both body and soul. Free me from all that harms or enslaves me and turn my heart towards eternal joys. Amen.

### We keep and hold in our thoughts and prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill or unwell - at home, in hospital or Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or medical procedures. - We wish them a speedy recovery.

See our Parish Website and App. for Guidelines for Confirmation 2023  
Mountmellick Drama Festival 2023  
Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup> - Fri. 10<sup>th</sup> March

### Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne  
Ballyfin Parish  
Mountrath Parish Caroline Moore - Pachelli Walsh  
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:  
Ms Kathleen Sherry Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person:  
Ms Michelle Hughes, c/o Bishop's House,  
Dublin Rd., Carlow Ph: 085 802 1633

Ballyfin Mountrath Mountmellick  
Pilgrimage to Lourdes  
2<sup>nd</sup> August - 9<sup>th</sup> August 2023  
Full details next week

### Ministries Rota Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Mch.

Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> 8.00 pm	Reader Frances Harney	Min. of Holy Comm. Adrian Greene
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> 10.00 am	John McNamara	Maria Dowling
<b>St. Patrick's Day.</b>		
Wed. 16 <sup>th</sup> 8.00 pm		Adrian Greene
Thurs. 17 <sup>th</sup> 10.00 am		Maria Dowling

### Church Cleaners for March (Group 5)

Mary Hooban Brid Molloy Mary McEvoy  
Catherine Carroll Geraldine Fitzpatrick  
Caroline Dunne

### Collectors for March

Sat. Br. Gerry - P. Gilligan  
Sun. John Keenan - Cathal O'Neill

### Ballyfin Lotto Results

1<sup>st</sup> Mch. Nos. Drawn 5 7 14 32  
No Jackpot Winner. 11 Match 3 Rec. € 91  
Next Week's Jackpot € 11,000

**Press Release: Laois Partnership New Funding**  
Laois Partnership is hosting public consultations on the creation of the new Local Development Strategy for LEADER 2023-2027.

Laois Partnership Company have been responsible for the implementation and delivery of the LEADER rural development programme since the 1990's. Laois Partnership Company are holding public consultation workshops where your ideas and input will directly feed into this strategy - Laois Partnership have organised 6 of these workshops that they are inviting you to and hope you can attend one of them.

Details of the Workshop nearest to us as follows,  
11<sup>th</sup> March 11am in Laois Partnership Offices, New Rd, Portlaoise. Please phone our office if you require more information on 057 8661900 or alternatively visit our website [www.laoispartnership.ie](http://www.laoispartnership.ie)

### Ballyfin Parish Income 25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> Feb.

69 Envelopes	€ 583.93
Offertory Coll.	€ 236.83
Lenten Stations	€ 710.00
Candle Shrines	€ 34.52

Hungry Syria Earthquake  
Appeal €365.00

### Trócaire Boxes

Are now available and can be collected at the back of the Church.

*Lent is what we Do*

### Deadline for Parish Newsletters

Items for Parish Newsletters are always most welcome. If you wish to have an item included in the Parish Newsletters (Print or online Edition) we request that they be in by 11.00 am on Thursdays  
Text Message, Email  
Whatsapp, Letter or Pop into Parochial House.

### Ref. Laois Partnership New Funding

For details of all Dates and Venues of Workshops see our Online Newsletter.