

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 7th Sun. 8th Dec. 2nd Sun. of Advent (C)

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Name of Parish App. *Mountrath and Ballyfin Parishes*

Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 7th - Sun. 15th Dec

Mass times as listed below are for Mountrath Church unless otherwise indicated

Sat 7th Dec. 7.00 pm William Tynan, Fr. O'Connor Cresc.

John Doheny, Fr. O'Connor Cresc. 6th Anniv.

Sun. 8th Dec. 9.00 am **The Hollow Church**

The Holland Family, Trumera.

Patrick (Paddy) Hurley, Mountrath. 9th Anniv.

Gerimiah Delaney, Clonard. 62nd Anniv.

11.30 am Patty and John O'Connell (Patty's 7th Anniv)

Thomas Court, Margaret and Joseph Connolly, Main St.
and their daughter Eilish Tan (nee Connolly)

Dan Bergin. Redcastle. 40th Anniv.

Mon. 9th Dec. 10.00 am Feast of The Immaculate Conception.

Tues. 10th Dec. 10.00 am Frank and Mary Brophy, Clonin

Wed. 11th Dec. 10.00 am Tom and Anna Mai Martyn, Woodbrook
And their son, Seán.

Thurs 12th Dec. 10.00 am Christy Wall, Woodbrook.

Martin and Maureen Wall, Woodbrook.

Fri. 13th Dec. 10.00 am Eugene and Seán McCarthy, Thomas Court

Sat. 14th Dec. 7.00 pm Catherine Tobin (nee Duggan) Ballyfin Rd.,
1st Anniv.

*Lord, for your
faithful
people, Life is
changed, Not
ended*

Denis Carroll, Shannon Rd., 8th Anniv.

Terry and Elizabeth McMahon. Fr. O'Connor Cresc.

Margaret (Peg) Maguire, Newline Road.

and her mother, Mrs. Annie Patterson.

Eilish and James McKeon, Stillbrook.

Noel and Marie Hogan, Stillbrook.

Sun. 15th Dec. 9.00 am **The Hollow Ch. 3rd Sun. of Advent. Year C**

11.30 am Maura Kelly, Main St. 13th Anniv.

Mountrath Parish Lotto

Nos. Drawn 2 3 13 20

Next Week's Jackpot €11,000

See Online Newsletter for

Full Lotto Results

*We keep and hold in our Thoughts and
Prayers, People, their families and
carers, who are ill – at home, in Hospital
or Nursing Home or undergoing any
surgical or medical procedures at this
time.*

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke Peter Byrne
Mountrath Parish. Caroline Moore Pachelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms. Ailish Higgins.

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michelle Hughes c/o

Bishop's Hse, Dublin Rd, Carlow Phone 085 802 1633

Fr. Joe Fleming PE CC Retired P.P. Clonegal - Originally from Ardattin, Co. Carlow 1933 - 2024

We pray for Fr. Joe who died suddenly at his home on Thurs. 28th Nov. Fr. Joe's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Brigid's Church, Clonegal on Mon. 2nd Dec. followed by burial in adjoining church grounds. We extend sympathy to his sister Teresa Nolan and her family, nephews, nieces, grand-nephews, grand-nieces, sister-in-law Rosaleen Fleming and all their families. Fr. Joe served as curate in Mountrath Parish from 1980 to 1985. I read in the Register of Baptisms for Mountrath Parish that Fr. Joe celebrated his first Baptismal ceremony in Mountrath Parish on 16th March 1980 and his final ceremony of Baptism on 17th July 1985. (Fr. Joe officiated his 1st Wedding ceremony in Mountrath Parish on 15th March 1980) - Fr. Joe was preceded as curate in Mountrath Parish by Fr. Denis Doyle and was succeeded by Fr. Tom Lalor. Studied in Maynooth College, ordained priest on 23rd June 1957 - Served as curate in Tullow (1957 - 1958) Hacketstown (1958 - 1969) Mountmellick (1969 - 1980) Mountrath (1980 - 1985) Served as P.P. Doonane 1985 - 1996) Clonegal (1996 - 2012) - was PE CC Clonegal 2012 - 2024) Fr. Joe was truly one of life's gentlemen and I was privileged to have know him when served as curate in Rathvilly Parish. *May Fr. Joe now find rest after a lifetime labouring in the Father's vineyard.*

Advent Preparation

Camp Pio - St.

Fintan's Church

Mountrath

Fridays 4.00 pm

- 5.00 pm

."Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind"

Christmas Cards and 2025

Calanders are now available.

Contact Seán at 087 7676318 or call

to Byrne's Shop, Main St. We will

also have a Stand at this year's

Christmas Market in BloomHQ Dec

8th. Your continued support is very

much appreciated.

S V P Annual Collection

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Collection will take place this weekend, 7th - 8th Dec. at our Masses in Mountrath, Ballyfin and the Hollow Church. Your generous support is always very much appreciated.

Ministries Rota Sat. 14th Sun. 15th Dec.

Readers Sat. 7.00 pm Paulo Jacob.

Sun 11.30 am Veronica Graham

Ministers of Holy Communion

Sat. 7.00 pm Sheila Cullen Mai Murphy

Sun 11.30 am Dolores Mulhare Elaine Dohney

Collectors for December

Sat. 7.00 pm Niamh O'Hara

Sun. 11.30 am Pat McSpadden Donal Dohney

Christmas Market

In The Convent

This Sunday.

1.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Christmas Markets

Carol Singing

Lots of Activities for

Kids - Santa Visit

Mountrath Parish Lotto, Our Regular Weekly Fundraiser

continues to be a very important contribution to the Financial wellbeing of the Parish. Very sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who support our Lotto weekly and a very special thank you to our promoters and the attention to detail of the Organising Committee. Mountrath Parish Lotto has a very attractive Prize fund structure, Yearly and half yearly membership Gift Cards are now available from any of our dedicated promoters **½ Year (26 draws) € 50** **Yearly (52 Draws) €100**