

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 17th - Sun. 18th Dec. '22 4th Sun. in Advent
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Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat. 17th - Sun. 25th Dec.

Sat. 17 th Dec. 7.00 pm	Simon Walsh, Clonard. 4 th Anniv. Ann Grincell, Spring Gardens, Shannon St., 4 th Anniv. Maura Kelly, Main St. 11 th Anniv. Thomas Taylor, Moanbaun	
Sun. 18 th Dec. 9.00 am	The Hollow Ch. Michael and Ann Heffernan, Clonkeen. Michael and Mary Ann Culleton, Gurteen Jimmy Fitzpatrick, Clonbarrow, 6 th Anniv.	<i>Lord, For your faithful people, Life is changed, not ended</i>
11.30 am		
Mon. 19 th Dec. 10.00 am		
Tues 20 th Dec. 10.00 am	Thomas and Margaret Byrne, Derrough.	
Wed. 21 st Dec. 10.00 am		
Thur. 22 nd Dec. 10.00 am		
Fri. 23 rd Dec. 10.00 am	Tom Meade, Ringstown.	
Sat. 24 th Dec. 8.00 pm	Vigil Mass for Christmas	Christmas Masses
Sun. 25 th Dec. 9.00 am	The Hollow Ch. Mass at Dawn on Christmas Day	
11.30 am	Mass of Christmas Day.	

We keep and hold in our Thoughts and Prayers at this time.

People, their families and carers, who are ill - at home, in Hospital or in a Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or medical procedures.

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne
Mountrath Parish Caroline Moore and Pachelli Walsh
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms Kathleen Sherry
Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michelle Hughes,
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A Christmas Blessing

"May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the Angels, the eagerness of the Shepherds, the determination of the Magi, and the peace of the Christ Child. Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you, your family, your loved ones and the ones you hold dear, this Christmas time.

A Very Special "Thank You"

from Sean Byrne,

"Irish Guide Dogs for The Blind would like to thank most sincerely all those who supported our recent fundraiser. Your continued support is very much appreciated. Many thanks also to the volunteers for all the help and support."

"ALONE" Are Seeking Volunteers

Would you be willing to provide companionship or make calls to Older People once a week? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area.

Full training and support provided. If interested please sign up here: <https://alone.ie/volunteers/> For more information, contact Franceson volunteer@alone.ie or on 086 1085965.

Bingo at St. Fintan's Hall

Bingo as usual in St. Fintan's Hall on Monday night - (St. Stephen's Day) - at 8pm. Your support throughout the year has been greatly appreciated and it is hoped that it will continue for 2023. The committee wishes all our patrons the Season's Greetings. (R.McM)

Arrangements for our Christmas Ceremonies

Christmas Penitential Services Tues. 20th Dec.

Mountrath Church 7.00 pm Ballyfin Church 8.00 pm

Portlaoise Parish Church Thurs. 22nd Dec. 7.30 pm

Individual Confessions

Christmas Eve - Sat. 24th Dec. 11.00 am Both Parishes

Christmas Vigil Masses

Mountrath 8.00 pm Ballyfin 8.00 pm

Masses on Christmas Day

Ballyfin - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

The Hollow Church 9.00 am

Mountrath Church 11.30 am

Mountrath Parish Lotto Thurs. 15th Dec.

Nos. Drawn 5 12 19 27

One € 14,000 Jackpot Winner

Congratulations to Callie, Mollie and Noah Phelan

Promoter, Eddie Phelan, Mountrath

15 Match 3 Rec. Each € 67 - 5 Local Winners

Winner

Promoter

Heather and Grandchildren - Heather Mortimer

Maura Tobin - Rita Watkins

Catherine Hegarty - Pachelli Walsh

Mary Phelan - Margaret McGrath

Raymond Carroll - Anne Carroll

Next Week's Jackpot € 10,000

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