

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 29th - Sun. 30th Jan. 2022 - 4th Sun. in Ord. Time.

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Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat. 29th Jan. - Sun. 6th Feb.

Sat. 29th Jan. 7.00 pm Amy and Andrew Moore, 25 Woodbrook.

Jimmy Lalor Fitzpatrick, Kiln Lane 4th Anniv.

Sun. 30th Jan. 9.00 am The Hollow Church.

Elizabeth Seale.

11.30 am George and Alice Tobin, 6 Woodbrook.

Peter and Margaret Redmond, Redcastle.

Michael Byrne, Nenagh 2nd Anniv.

Annie Farrell Clondalkin. 19th Anniv.

Teresa O'Keeffe. Woodbrook.

Mon. 31st Jan. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.

Tues. 1st Feb. 10.00 am **Feast of St. Brigid**

Principal Patron of Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

Daniel and Anne Costello - Tom Costello

Patrick Thompson, Patrick St.,

Wed. 2nd Feb. 10.00 am Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

Blessing of Candles

Ann McCarthy. Knockinina. 34th Anniv.

Thur. 3rd Feb. 10.00 am Feast of St. Blaise.

General Blessing of Throats at end of Mass

Fri. 4th Feb. 10.00 am People who are ill in the Parish.

Sat. 5th Feb. 7.00 pm Patrick Dunne, Moanbaun.

Patsy Keeshan, Patrick St.,

Sun. 6th Feb. 9.00 am The Hollow Church.

11.30 am 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Diary Date Wed. 2nd March Ash Wed.

Masses 10.0 am and 7.30 pm (Mountrath) Ballyfin 7.30 pm



Statement from Bishop Denis Nulty and Bishop Pat Storey

Bishop Denis Nulty, Catholic Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin and Bishop Pat Storey, Church of Ireland Bishop of Meath & Kildare have issued a joint statement welcoming the new holiday dedicated to Saint Brigid.

Bishop Denis and Bishop Pat said, "The news that the Government has announced an additional bank holiday to take place around Saint Brigid's Day is to be welcomed.

"Brigid means many things to many people. Symbol and story feature strongly in her life. Brigid was born around 454 and died about 524. For people of faith Saint Brigid represents that transition from paganism to Christianity in Celtic Ireland. In 480 she founded her monastery in Kildare, the church of the oak tree. Every school child knows the song of Brigid and how her cloak covered the area we know today as the Curragh, Saint Brigid's Field. Brigid is linked with the earth, with agriculture, particularly ploughing, sowing, milking, butter-making and, of course, vibrant Christian faith. Brigid was extravagant in her hospitality "It is very appropriate that a new public holiday will honour Saint Brigid. As the secondary saint in Ireland to Patrick, for too long she has been lost in his shadow. We warmly welcome the news that Brigid is being rightly, and long after time, acknowledged.

Mountrath Lotto 27th Jan

Nos. Drawn 5 13 24 31

No Winner of €12,000 Jackpot

5 Match 3 Rec. €200 each

1 Mountrath Match 3 Winner

Ally and Finn Russell Jacob

Promoter Heather Mortimer

Thanks for your continued and generous support

Next Week's Jackpot €13,000

We remember in our Prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill
- at home, in Hospital or in a Nursing Home,
at this time

Blessing of Throats and Distribution of Blessed Ashes

As we still need to keep safe and continue to look out for each other so the Ceremony of the Blessing of the Throats will be a general or communal Blessing on the Feast of St. Blaise - and as we did last year, we are preparing small sachets of Bless Ashes for you to collect at our Churches on Ash Wed. (3rd March)

Parish Visitation February

Tues. 1st Feb. Mountrath Country

Wed. 2nd Feb. Mountrath Town

Thurs. 3rd Feb. Ballyfin Parish

School Enrolment

Gaelscoil Thromaire now accepting enrolments for school year '22/'23 at

gaelscoilthromaire00@gmail.com

You can contact the school to speak to the Principal and Class Teacher. A visit to the school can be organised in line with Covid 19 Regulations.

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Parish Caroline Moore and Pachelli Walsh

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