

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 16th Sun. 17th May Ascension of the Lord

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Name of Parish App. *Mountrath and Ballyfin Parishes*

The Month of May - The Month of Mary

Mass Times Anniversaries Sat. 16th to Sun. 24th May

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

Sat. 16th May 7.00 pm Tom O'Brien, Factory St., 12th Anniv.

Kitty Byrne, Ringstown. 23rd Anniv.

Sun. 17th May 9.00 am **The Hollow Church**

11.30 am Elizabeth (Liz) Wall, Woodbrook.

Tues. 19th May 10.00 am

Wed. 20th May 10.00 am

Thur. 21st May 10.00 am

Fri. 22nd May 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.

Sat. 23rd May 7.00 pm Robert (Bobby) Mulhall, Portlaoise Rd.,
5th Anniv. (Robbie died on 25th May 2021)
Sarah (Sally) Osborne, Fr. O'Connor Cresc.
4th Anniv. (Died on 27th May 2022)

Sun. 24th May 9.00 am **The Hollow Church**

11.30 am Paddy Carroll, Cappagh

James and Ann Brennan, Tom and Ellen Berry.

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

Note From the Diocesan Office Retired Priests Collection

This collection takes place at all Masses - throughout the Diocese - on the weekend of 23rd / 24th May. The generosity of Parishes and parishioners in supporting this Collection is deeply appreciated.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Sun. 7th June

Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. (Corpus Christi)

2.30 pm Ceremonies begin (In the Basilica) with Anointing of the Sick

3.00 pm Pilgrimage Mass Main Celebrant, Bishop Denis
Ceremonies are usually concluded by 5pm.

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Ballyfin Vintage Rally.

Sun. 24th May 2026

Something for All the
Family.

Dog Show Tug o' War.

And Loads more

Venue Eircode R32 AD92

*Thank you for your
continued and
generous support
of Mountrath
Parish Collections
and Mountrath
Parish Lotto*

Mountrath Parish

Lotto Wed 14th May

Nos. Drawn 22 23 26 31

No Jackpot Winner

3 Match 3's Rec. € 334 ea

Next Week's Jackpot €11,000

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps

Ballyfin Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Caroline Moore Pacelli Walsh

Deputy Diocesan Liaison

Michelle Hughes c/o Bishop's House,
Dublin Rd., Carlow Ph: 085 802 1633

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:

Ms. Ailish Higgins is on Maternity Leave

Safeguarding Training

Refresher training will take place in
Portlaoise Parish Centre on 27th May from
7 - 9.30pm. Places are limited and must
be booked in advance. When enrolling,
please provide your name, Parish, role and
email address to bishopshouse@kandle.ie

Esther Dunne (Nee Guilfoyle) Gash Court, (St. Fintan's Tce.) R.I.P.

We pray for Esther who died peacefully on Thurs. 7th May. Esther's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Edmund's Church, Castletown on Sat. 9th May followed by burial in Churchtown Cemetery. We extend sympathy to husband P.J. and family, Derek, Donna, Lorraine, Patrick and Emma, and their families, grandchildren Leah, Katie, Sarah, Ryan, Jamie, Joe, Karlie, Charlie, Addison and Harry, sisters, brother and their families, nieces, nephews, extended family, neighbours and friends. *May Esther rest in the peace of Christ.*

Cemetery Masses

Ballyfin Cemetery Sun. 14th June

Mountrath Cem. Fri. 26th June

Clonenagh Cem. Fri. 10th July

Cemetery on Left

Clondarrig Cem. Wed. 5th Aug.

Boughlone Cem. Wed. 2nd Sept.

Masses commence at 7.00 pm

Ministries Rota

Sat 23rd - Sun. 24th May

Readers Sat. 7.00 pm Paulo Jacob

Sun. 11.30 am Margaret Keegan

Ministers of Holy Communion

Sat. 7.00 pm Mary Kerwin/Niamh

O'Hara/Paulo Jacob

Sun. 11.30 am Dolores Mulhare

Elaine Doheny Rachel Hill

Collectors During May

Sat. Niamh O'Hara

Sun. Donal Doheny Pat McSpadden

WHY SUNDAY MATTERS - CHRIST'S PRESENCE AMONG US:

'Sunday has always been the day of the Lord: the day of resurrection, the day of rest, the day of Eucharist. From the very beginning of our Christian faith, Sunday has been central to the life of the Church and remains the heart of Christian practice. It is on this day that we gather as a Faith Community, united in our love for Christ, to encounter the risen Lord and be nourished in body and soul.

The Mass is not just a ritual; it is the source and summit of our faith. It is where we encounter Christ in His living presence, and it is through the Eucharist that we are strengthened to live as true disciples. Attending Mass on Sundays, or its vigil on Saturday evening, is not just an obligation; it is a profound privilege and a chance to experience God's love in a deeply personal way. As we come to this sacred celebration let us do so with hearts full of gratitude for the precious gift of Christ's presence among us.'

What does Sunday and Sunday Mass mean to you?