

Mountrath – Ballyfin Parish News – 9th Oct. 2022

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath - Ballyfin

Sat. 8th - Sun. 9th Oct. 2022

Fr. P.J. Fitzgerald C.C. 087) 605 5783

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*See below for
Rehearsal Schedule for
"The Case"
A 2 Act Play by Frances Harney*

Safeguarding Sunday

This weekend 8th - 9th Oct.

Mountrath – Ballyfin Parish App. available to download on iPhone and Android

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,

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

Patricia Quearney (Nee Madden) New Line Road. R.I.P.

We pray for Patricia who died peacefully at St. James' Hosp. on Sat. 1st Oct. Patricia's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath on Wed. 5th Oct. followed by burial in Mountrath Cemetery. We extend sympathy to Martin, Christina, Anthony, Brendan, Anne, and Carmel and families, grandchildren Simon, Leanne, Jade, Jordan, Ross, Kyle, and Amber, great-grandchildren, sister Mary (England), son-in-law Danny, daughter-in-law Alison, extended family, neighbours, friends and members of St. Joseph's Accordion Band, Portlaoise.

May Patricia rest in the peace of Christ.

Sat. 5th Nov. 7.00 pm Deceased Members of Mountrath GAA Club

Lord, For your faithful people, Life is changed , not ended

Team Hope Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Table Quiz in The Deadmans,

Friday Oct 14th at 8pm

Your Support much appreciated

Mass Times Anniversaries - Ballyfin Fri. 7th Sun. 16th Oct.

Fri. 7 th Oct. 5.00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
7.30 pm	Altar List of the Dead.
Sat. 8 th Oct. 8.00 pm	Vigil Mass for 28 th Sun.
Sun. 9 th Oct. 10.00 am	Michael Mooney, Old Post Office. Damian Connolly, Springfield. 11 th Aniv. Denis, Catherine and John Daly, Pallas.
Mon. 10 th Oct. 7.00 pm	Apostolate of Santification
Fri. 14 th Oct. 5.00 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
7.30 pm	Celebration of the Eucharist.
Sat. 15 th Oct. 8.00 pm	Danny Costello, Ballyfin Rd., 9 th Anniv.
Sun. 16 th Oct. 10.00 am	
Mon. 17 th Oct. 7.00 pm	Apostolate of Santification

The Celtic Tenors in Concert

St. Peter and Paul Church, Monasterevin

Fri. 21st October 2022 - Tickets from

Parish Office (Monasterevin) 045 525 5346

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- Sat. 8th Oct. 7.00 pm Maggie Fitzpatrick (Nee Dunne) Portlaoise Rd., 48th Anniv.
- Sun. 9th Oct. 9.00 am The Hollow Church - 28th Sun. in Ord. Time.
11.30 am Michael (Mick) O'Brien, Fr. O'Connor Cresc. 15th Anniv.
Pat Thompson, Trumera - 3rd Anniv.
- Mon. 10th Oct. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.
- Tues. 11th Oct. 10.00 am
- Wed. 12th Oct. 10.00 am Martin and Mary Donohue, Clonad.
- Thurs. 13th Oct. 10.00 am
- Fri. 14th Oct. 10.00 am Sean and Phil Croke, Main St.,
- Sat. 15th Oct. 7.00 pm Mick and Betty Farrell, Lower Mills.
- Sun. 16th Oct. 9.00 am The Hollow Church. 29th Sun. Ord. Time.
11.30 am John Wall, Woodbrook.

Month's Mind Mass

Sat. 29th Oct. 7.00 pm
Rose Murphy (Nee Gorman) Patrick St.,

Mind and Body Classes

Flame Mental and Physical Health with Aengus Burke

Lonely - Stressed - Overwhelmed - Anxious - Low Self Esteem

Six Week Course , Light Relaxation Exercises followed by discussion on mental health.
meet like minded people in a safe, informal environment. no stigma. At Bloom Hq ,
Mountrath.

Starting Wed. 19th Oct, 7.30 pm. call/ text/whatsapp 087 6100908

Childminder Wanted

To care for 10 month old baby on a full time basis, Mon to Fri. - with some flexibility. Call or Text Caroline 085 703 5697

Mountrath Community School Cookery Demonstration

with Rachel Allen

Thurs. 27th Oct.

Doors open at 6.30 pm- Tickets €20

For Information and Tickets email

mountrathcspa@mountrathcs.ie

or contact Mountrath CS - (057) 8741080

An Evening in aid of Mountrath Parents Assoc. Projects

The CASE -

Written and Directed by Frances Harney

Sir Hugh has invited his family and friends to his home at Clewman Estate to make an important announcement of concern to them all. However, the

discovery of his lifeless body at the bottom of the cellar stairs leads to the arrival of the world's leading detectives to investigate the case.

You are invited to Mountmellick Arts Centre to enjoy The CASE

The CASE is a classic 'whodunit' that will delight and engross all ages in equal measure. It is a big cast production that brings many of our local actors together to display their comic talents and agile physical capacities.

Mountmellick Arts Centre, Fri. 28th - Sat. 29th Oct. - Curtain Up 7:30pm

Tickets for The CASE at €10 are available online on Eventbrite.

All funds raised will be divided between Ballyfin GAA club and Ballyfin Community

Development Association, while The Cuisle Centre will benefit from the Raffle. Early booking is advised. - LIKE and FOLLOW us on Facebook @BallyfinPlayers

Tickets Available at

<https://www.eventbrite.com/b/ireland-performing-visual-arts/>

Sun. 2nd Oct. Day for Life 2022 – Caring for the Older Person

Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales. It is a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. This year's Day for Life will be celebrated in Ireland on Sunday 2 Oct. on the theme 'Caring for the Older Person'. We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families and in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations. We call for people and parishes to devote quality time, energy and creativity in caring for the older person in our communities. We invite engagement in political debate on providing adequately resourced care of older persons so that no-one feels like a burden in our society. *Saint Joachim and Saint Anne – Pray for us!*

To read the pastoral message for Day for Life in full, visit www.councilforlife.ie

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Mountrath Lotto 6th Oct.

Nos. Drawn 3 4 8 12

No Jackpot Winner

27 Match 3's Rec. €38.00

5 Local Winners

Winner	Sponsor
Paul Cullen	Jerry Dooley
Isobel Farrell	Jerry Dooley
Pauline Phelan	Mgt. Doheny
Benny Russell	Bernie Phelan
Michael and Mary Williams	
Sponsor	Mai Murphy

New Jackpot €16,000

Ballyfin Lotto 5th Oct

Nos. Drawn 5 9 19 22

No Jackpot Winner

32 Match 3 Rec. € 32.00 Each

3 Local Winners

Winner	Promoter
AC Reynolds	Gemma Dunphy
Aidan Dunphy	G. Dunphy
Kevin Hooban	Mary Hooban

Next Week's Jackpot € 16,000

Thanks to everyone involved in Ballyfin and Mountrath Parish Lotto for support and your generosity

Rehearsal Schedule for 'THE CASE'

An Original Two-Act Play by Frances Harney

Venue - Old School, Ballyfin

Date

Rehearsal

Time

Thurs. 1 st Sept.	Read Through	7.30 - 9.30
Wed. 7 th Sept.	4 - 12 to Entrance Nanny Teal	7.30 - 9.30
Thurs. 8 th Sept.	12- 19 to Entrance of Mossy Green, Arthur and Fuchsia Amaranth	7.30 - 9.30
Wed. 14 th Sept.	19 - 27 to Interval	7.30 - 9.30
Thurs. 15 th Sept.	All of Act One	7.30 - 9.30
Wed. 21 st Sept.	28 - 38 to Exit of Prof. Slater	7.30 - 9.30
Thurs. 22 nd Sept.	28 - 38 Revision	7.30 - 9.30
Wed. 28 th Sept.	38 - 44 to Entrance of Inspectors Silver and Clueno	7.30 - 9.30
Thurs. 29 th Sept.	44 - 49 to End	7.30 - 9.30
Wed. 5 th Oct.	All of Act One	7.30 - 9.30
Thurs. 6 th Oct.	All of Act Two	7.30 - 9.30
Wed. 12 th Oct.	Act One	7.30 - 9.30
Thurs. 13 th Oct.	Act Two	7.30 - 9.30
Wed. 19 th Oct.	Full Play and Curtain Call	7.30 - 9.30
Thurs. 20 th Oct.	Full Play and Curtain Call in Costume	7.30 - 9.30
Venue - Mountmellick Arts Centre		
Tues. 25 th Oct.	Full Dress Rehearsal and Technical Rehearsal	7.30 - 10.00
Wed. 26 th Oct.	Full Dress Rehearsal and Technical Rehearsal	7.30 - 10.00
Fri. 28 th Oct.	First Performance	7.30 - 10.30
Sat. 29 th Oct.	Second Performance	7.30 - 10.30 *
<i>*followed by after show complimentary drink</i>		
<i>Tickets Available at</i> https://www.eventbrite.com/b/ireland-performing-visual-arts/		

Safeguarding Sunday

This weekend we celebrate Safeguarding Sunday. Safeguarding is at the heart of the Christian message. We remember all those who have experienced abuse in our diocese and remind them of the support services of Towards Healing and Towards Peace. We thank all those who are committed to ensuring that parish activities are run in a safe and welcoming way in our parishes. The Diocesan Safeguarding Committee have produced a newsletter to mark this event and we welcome you to take a copy or to view it online at www.kandle.ie.

ALONE - The Organisation that supports Older People to Live Independently.

“ALONE supports older people to age at home, combatting loneliness and isolation. Would you like to volunteer from the comfort of your own home? ? We are seeking volunteers to make Support and Befriending calls to older people. Please visit our website at www.alone.ie or call our National Support and Referral line on 0818 222 024 to find out more about volunteering

Bishop Denis' Prayer for the People of Ukraine

Bishop Denis invites this prayer for peace in Ukraine to be prayed at all our Masses

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need. Amen.

Apostolate of Santification

St. Fintan's Church, Church, Ballyfin Every Monday Starts at 7.00 pm

Intercession for Bishops and Priests, through Our Lady of Knock takes place each Monday night at 6.45pm in our parish church, St.Fintan's Ballyfin. All are invited to join in the two hour session which consists of community prayer, reciting -The Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditations on The Holy Rosary and a chaplet offered for our Bishops and priests in the presence of The Blessed Sacrament. When we pray for our priests, Our Lady of Knock blesses us and our families abundantly. All most welcome!

"My Life in your Hands"

A book has been published containing a selection of writings by the late Fr. John Cummins PP of Abbeyleix and Ballyroan and native of Newbridge.

A deep thinker, an accomplished preacher and a Doctor of Divinity, God's word and message were central to his vocation. This book reveals Fr. John's gentle sharing of his love of God through his reflections each Sunday and other occasions with the Christian communities of **Abbeyleix and Ballyroan**, Carlow and Naas.

"My Life In Your Hands" will be a useful companion as we journey through the coming liturgical year. For the casual reader, it is an opportunity to engage with the Christian faith.

Pilgrimage to Rome March 23

The Ossory Adult Faith development Group are holding a pilgrimage to Rome this coming March (9th - 14th) 2023. Rome has a remarkable array of religious art - frescos, paintings, sculptures, mosaics and stuccos. Over the centuries these treasures have inspired, educated and uplifted countless people. This pilgrimage will explore the religious and catechetical meaning of some of these masterpieces. The all inclusive cost for this pilgrimage is €710 p.p. sharing and places can be booked by contacting Kieran and Laura Troy at info@myriam.ie or by calling 057 9355050.

Workshops for Cantors

A series of workshops for Cantors will take place around the country during the coming year. We begin the first workshop, in association with the Schola Cantorum, St Finian's College, Mullingar, on Saturday, 12 November, in St Paul's Church Mullingar, beginning at 12 noon and ending at 2.00 p.m.

ALPHA ONLINE

Is there more to life than this? For questions like this, try Alpha.

Alpha is a series of 10 interactive sessions, exploring Christianity and Faith. Each session consists of a 30 min video followed by a 30min open discussion and sharing of experiences.

For more details click on the link <https://alphaireland.org/try>

Starting Thursday 29th September for one hour 8pm to 9pm.

Where:- Online in the comfort of your own home.

All are welcome, we promise you will not be disappointed.

Please register by supplying your name, email and phone number to the presenters:-

Des O'Doherty, odohertydes@gmail.com or 087-122-1345

Kevin Kiernan, kevinkiernan9@gmail.com or 086-244-6436

We will then send you the link to the zoom meeting.

Transmitting Faith in Contemporary Culture

In processing the diocesan synodal reports the ACI steering group concluded that no issue seemed of greater concern than the growing absence of young people, including younger parents, from regular weekly liturgies - even before the onset of the Covid 19 pandemic in the spring of 2020.

A zoom gathering has been organised by the Association of Catholics in Ireland takes place on Thursday October 6th, 2022 at 8.00 pm. Professor Michael Conway (Professor of Faith and Culture, Pontifical University, St Patrick's College, Maynooth) will present his own view of the issue of faith transmission today, and will be followed by open discussion. All are welcome to join in.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85073799955?pwd=VlpicXViUGlmT2FIQXlmOHVlWjFpZz09>

Meeting ID: 850 7379 9955 Passcode: 690623

Marriage Encounter

Marriage Encounter Ireland are hosting a Marriage Enrichment Weekend from Friday 4th – Sunday 6th November 2022 at the International Hotel, Cork Airport. For more information and to book please visit www.marriageencounter.ie
