

# Mountrath – Ballyfin Parish News – 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022

## 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath - Ballyfin

Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> – Sun. 26<sup>th</sup> June 2022

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### Cemetery Masses during 2022

Clonenagh, Fri. 8<sup>th</sup> July

(Cemetery on Left – From Mountrath)

Clondarrig, Wed. 3<sup>rd</sup> August

Boghlone Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> September

All Masses will begin at 7.00 pm

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

### Safeguarding Children Parish Representatives

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

### 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

### James (Jim) Cuddy Carrowreigh, Camross R.I.P.

We pray for Jim who died peacefully at his home on Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> June. Jim's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fergal's Church, Camross on Tues. 21<sup>st</sup> June followed by burial in local Cemetery. We extend sympathy to Lilly, Sean Michael, Elizabeth (Grant), Martina (Ryan), Seamus, Linda (Bergin), Sharon (Cuddy), Barry, Gregory, David, Garrett and Mark., brothers, sisters, and their families, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, 27 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren, extended family, relatives, neighbours and friends.

*May Jim rest in the peace of Christ.*

## School Secretary Required at Ballyfin National School

The Board of Management of Ballyfin National School invites applications for the position of school secretary. The successful candidate will work Monday to Friday for the duration of the full school day/school year and may also be required to work some out of school hours

The ideal candidate should have:

- Secretarial experience operating in a busy office environment and/or secretarial experience working in a child centred environment.
- A familiarity of working with on line school databases (e.g. Aladdin, POD & OLCS systems)
- Excellent administrative and organisational skills, ensuring good record-keeping and adherence to school procedures & policies
  - Excellent interpersonal skills, including oral and written communication skills.
- Competency in maintaining financial accounts, including wages, budgets, on line payment systems, procurement and monthly financial reports.
  - A high level of proficiency in I.C.T.
- Office administration skills including photocopying, laminating, binding etc.
  - Confidentiality and professionalism are absolutely essential

Shortlisting will be applied and those who are shortlisted will be called for interview.

Application by email ONLY to Fr. Joe Brophy at [jmbrophy2@gmail.com](mailto:jmbrophy2@gmail.com)

**Closing date for Applications – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

Please clearly state "SECRETARY APPLICATION" on the email title  
APPLICATION REQUIREMENT - Letter of Application - Up to date CV

Referees (name, role, contact no.)

## Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 25<sup>th</sup> June – Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> July

### Mountrath

Sat. 25 <sup>th</sup> June	7.00 pm	Vigil Mass of 13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.
Sun. 26 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00 am	The Hollow Ch. John Tynan, London, Late of Clonkeen
	11.30 am	Sally Osborne (Nee Loughnane) Fr. O'Connor Cresc. M.M. Sean Bernard Delaney, Dysartbeigh. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv. Tom Tynan, (Jnr) Patrick St., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv. Catherine Moore, Fr. O'Connor Cresc. 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. Maura Turner, Patrick St., Her parents, Jack and Bridget Mc Pherson And Jim Thompson and Denis Turner
Mon. 27 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00 am	Michael and Catherine Conway, Roundwood
Tues. 28 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00 am	
Wed. 29 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00 am	
Thurs 30 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00 am	Kieran, Nora and Jim Phelan, Coldblow.
Fri. 1 <sup>st</sup> July	10.00 am	Altar List of the Dead
Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	7.00 pm	Thomas (Tom) Tynan, (Jnr) Patrick St., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv.
Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	9.00 am	The Hollow Ch.
	11.30 am	

### Month's Mind Mass

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> July 11.30 am Paddy Parkinson. Trumera

### Ballyfin

Fri. 24 <sup>th</sup> June	5.00 pm	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament Cemetery
		Mass at 7.00 pm in Mountrath – No Mass in Ballyfin
Sat. 25 <sup>th</sup> June	8.00 pm	Julia (Sheila) Farrell (Nee Byrne) Kiln Lane. 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv. Her husband, Paddy and deceased family members. Nuala McNamara (Nee Deevy) Ross. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv. And her parents, William and Margaret Deevy Elizabeth Murphy (Nee Multany) Cappagh. 6 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.
Sun. 26 <sup>th</sup> June	10.00 am	John O'Rourke, Cappanrush. Frances Bleach, Mountrath Road, Portlaoise,

her husband, Tom and deceased family members.

Paddy Keating, Brockera - 16<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Mon. 27 <sup>th</sup> June	7.00 pm	Apostolate of Santification
Fri. 1 <sup>st</sup> July	5.00 pm	Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
	7.30 pm	Altar List of the Dead.
Sat. 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	8.00 pm	Tom Goode, Ballylusk - 9 <sup>th</sup> Anniv. Parents, James and Annie And Brothers, Patrick, David, Christopher
Sun. 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	10.00 am	Tom Coleman, Esker.
Mon. 4 <sup>th</sup> July	7.00 pm to 9.00 pm	Apostolate of Santification

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## Lourdes Invalid Fund    Church Gate Collection.

Eleanor Duff, Mountmellick has been in contact with me regarding the Lourdes Church Gate Collection. - A Garda Permit has been issued for this Church Gate Collection for weekend of 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> July . If you would like to help out with this collection in either Mountrath or Ballyfin, I invite you to contact Eleanor directly

Eleanor's Contact number is 087 7670915

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## New Children's Playground in Ballyfin – It's on the Way

This Summer Ballyfin CDA will break ground on the new playground and we need your support. We are currently running a fundraiser to raise €15,000 towards the cost of the playground equipment.

The playground will be situated in the car park at the top of the GAA grounds. In the true spirit of community, both Ballyfin Parish and Ballyfin GAA have very generously donated a space for the new playground.

Phase I of the project will see a playground for up to 12 year olds on Ballyfin Parish lands, it is anticipated that with your support we can then move to Phase II in 2023 which will include lands generously provided by Ballyfin GAA to allow a further extension of the playground.

While €15,000 might seem like an ambitious target with your help and generosity we believe we can achieve this and deliver a top class playground for the children of Ballyfin and beyond.

I hope you can help us by donating whatever you can. We do suggest that families, in particular with

preschool and primary school age children, consider the benefit of this amenity on their doorstep  
365 days a years and the value to be had.

Donations can be made online at [www.idonate.ie/ballyfinplayground](http://www.idonate.ie/ballyfinplayground)

or directly to Committee members

or via envelope at Masses - clearly marked Ballyfin Playground

## 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 Mon. 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

St. Fintan's Church, Church. Ballyfin 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!



### Ballyfin Lotto Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup>

Nos. Drawn 3 8 11 23

2 Jackpot Winners

Received € 5,000 each

44 Match 3 Rec. € 23 each

#### 3 Local Winners

Winner

Promoter

Michael and Martina O'Rourke Mary Hooban

Carmel and Martina Meade Shirley Dowling

Gemma

G.Dunphy

Next Week's Jackpot € 10,000

Sincere thanks to everyone involved in Ballyfin Parish Lotto – your loyal support is much appreciated

### Mountrath Lotto 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Nos. Drawn 8 10 17 21

Jackpot €11,000 - Not Won

23 Match 3's Rec. € 44 each

## 5 Local Winners

Linda Maguire - Promoter, Catherine Burke

Jody Guilfoyle - Promoter, M Farrell

Mick Mulhall Promoter, Bernie Phelan

Kellie Tynan Promoter, Peg Lalor

Caoimhe Fitzpatrick Promoter, Jerry Dooley

**Next Week's Jackpot €12.000**

Sincere thanks to everyone involved in Ballyfin and Mountrath Parish Lottos - Organizing Committees, Promoters, Shops and others who facilitate the sale of Lotto Tickets and most importantly, you, who purchase a Lotto ticket every week. We extend a very sincere "thank you" for your loyal support and your unending generosity

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**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](http://www.alone.ie) or



call our National Support and Referral line on 0818 222 024 to find out more about volunteering.

### A Note from Triona. Library Manager, Mountrath

Would you like to avail of the free Borrowbox online service from Laois Libraries?

Learn how to download e-books and listen to audio books on your device. Phone Portlaoise Library at 057/8622333 for further details.

## Synod News

The diocesan synod synthesis will be available for view on the diocesan website, [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie) from Wednesday, June 1. Every diocese was required to submit the synthesis in a particular format with a 10 page limit. Parishes as well as the diocese will no doubt be looking to what emerged in local conversations as well as what will emerge in the national synthesis in the next few months. Again, thank you to all who took part. If you didn't get to, we very much hope that you will have a chance to do so in the future. Pope Francis is calling us to a new way of being Church together where we will continue to creating spaces and develop the habit of listening to one another locally and in the wider church.

A Pentecost Novena of thanksgiving for the diocesan phase of the synod began in the Irish Church on Friday, May 27th. The daily prayers can be

accessed on the diocesan synod webpage on [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie) and are posted daily on the diocesan Facebook page and Twitter account.

### **A Journey of Faith, Hope and Joy with St Patrick**

Come and be refreshed on ancient paths in the cradle of Christianity in Ireland. Poor Clares Sr. Martina Purdy and Sr. Elaine Kelly will lead you on an amazing five-day pilgrimage. The Journey includes guided walks and a canoeing adventure to sites associated with St Patrick in County Down. Stay in Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre, visit with monks along St Patrick's Way, and capture the joy of the first Christians in Ireland. From £850, no single supplement - all inc meals, transport, activities. Details <https://www.saintpatrickcentre.com/> or phone (0044) 028 4461 9000

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### **Do you or somebody you know suffer from addiction?**

Addiction to Alcohol, Drugs, Gambling, Pornography, Food, Internet etc. steals life from so many people. You are welcome to visit the shrine of Matt Talbot in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Sean Mc Dermot Street, Dublin, on Sunday 12th June at 2pm, to join our annual national pilgrimage to pray for the miracle of freedom from all these addictions. For more information, visit [www.matttalbotprayersociety.com](http://www.matttalbotprayersociety.com) or contact [vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com](mailto:vita@matttalbotprayersociety.com) ROI (048) 71262894

# 2022 Pilgrimage to Lourdes

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**  
MOUNTMELLICK - BALLYFIN - MOUNTRATH

5 - 12 AUGUST 2022 | 7 NIGHTS

**PILGRIMAGE HIGHLIGHTS**  
Mass at the Grotto  
Anointing of the Sick  
Torchlight Procession  
Blessed Sacrament Procession  
International Mass

**INCLUDING**  
- Fully escorted pilgrimage  
- Led by Spiritual Director  
- Return flights from Dublin to Lourdes  
- Bus to and from airport  
- 7 nights at Hotel La Solitude  
- Breakfast, lunch and dinner each day  
- 20kg check-in bag per person  
- Airport transfers

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ELEANOR DUFF  
TEL: 087 7670915

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Ballyfin – Mountrath

Mountmellick

5<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> August

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