Mountrath Ballyfin Online Newsletter

30th Nov – 1st Dec '24 1st Sun. of Advent





For children: Junior Infants - 6th Class All Welcome!

Let's prepare our hearts for Jesus this Christmas

Through prayer time, music, art & visuals Dates:

Friday 29th November Friday 6th & 13th December Sunday 15th December

Time: 4-5pm

Advent Preparation

Camp Pio - St. Fintan's Church - Mountrath

Fridays 4.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Location: St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath

(R32X338)

Contact: Laura on 0876313370

Parish Visitation Dec.

Tues. 3rd Mountrath Country

Wed. 4th Mountrath Town

Thurs. 5th Ballyfin Parish

Choir Practice for Christmas

Tues. 3rd Dec.

Ballyfin Church 8.00 pm

Everyone Welcome

Advent Preparation

Camp Pio

St. Fintan's Church Mountrath

Fridays 4.00 pm - 5.00 pm

1st Sunday of Advent Year C.

This Sunday marks a new Church Year Year C. The year of Luke.

As we know Luke "built" his Gospel on St. Mark's Gospel. Luke, a close of St. Paul, is believed to be a gentile (i.e. not Jewish) a physician, a medical doctor. All our four Gospels are so special, distinct and unique but in Luke's Gospel we get something extra when it comes to Jesus' human side. Luke gives us a special insight into the circumstances of the conception, birth and early life of Jesus. Luke brings us the beautiful stories we are so familiar with (and found only in Luke) The Prodigal Son, The Good Samaritan. Luke's Gospel could be described as an accurate, chronological understanding of Jesus' life, ministry, death, and resurrection and Ascension Luke also wrote a sister book "The Acts of the Apostles"

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish

Triona O'Rourke Peter Byrne

Mountrath Parish

Caroline Moore Pachelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms. Ailish Higgins.

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michelle Hughes,

c/o Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow Ph: 085 802 163

S V P Annual Collection

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Collection will take place next weekend, 7th – 8th Dec. at our Masses in Mountrath, Ballyfin and the Hollow Church.

Your generous support is always very much appreciated.

Arranging Anniversary Mass or Month's Mind Mass

The traditional way of arranging an Anniversary Mass remembrance was by visiting the Sacristy before or after Mass and making the necessary arrangement with the priest, who wrote the intention into the Anniversaries Diary, there and then.

However, since Covid this practice has changed.

Arrangements for Anniversary Mass remembrances and Month's Mind Masses are, more often than not, now arranged by email, text message, whatsapp, by phone, among many other ways. Which is great.

On the down-side, it can be quiet difficult to keep track of all these ways. Sometimes emails can go to folders on the computer other than the main folder and
are not seen straight away. The same can apply to text messages and Whatsapp.
messages. This can cause a problem when I have no knowledge of these emails /
messages coming in and are sometimes not detected at the time.

Can I ask you -

if you send me an email, text message or a message on Whatsapp, or any way, other than visiting the Sacristy, requesting an Anniversary Mass remembrance or arrangements for a Month's Mind Mass and don't hear from me or don't see the relevant name / names in the Newsletter,

please give me a call on 087 241 1594

If you wish to contribute directly through your Bank account to Parish funds

Here are our Bank Account details

Ballyfin Parish - (A.I.B. Portlaoise Branch)

Lyster Square, Portlaoise.

Name of Account - Ballyfin Parish Pastoral Council

IBAN - IE44 AIBK 9332 7900 203030

BIC. - AIBKIE2D

Mountrath Parish - Bank Account Details

(Bank of Ireland) (Portlaoise Branch)

Name - Mountrath Parish Current Account -

Account number - 7274 7250

IBAN - IE93 BOFI 9018 2972 7472 50 -

BIC. - BOFIIE2D

If contributing to Parish directly through our bank account please include your own name as the reference.

Ballyfin Anniversaries

Mass Times Anniversaries

Fri. 29th Nov. to Mon. 9th Dec.

Fri. 29th Nov. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sat. 30th Nov. 8.00 pm Owen Heffernan, Redgates, 5th Anniv.

Liam Linden, O'Moore Forest. 6th Anniv.

Ned and Annie Fitzpatrick, Pallas Big.

Sun. 1st Dec..10.00 am 1st Sunday of Advent - Year C

Mon. 2nd Dec. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification.

Fri. 6th Dec. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat. 7th Dec. 8.00 pm Mary Gorman, Cappagh 17th Anniv.

Sun. 8th Dec.10.00 am Carmel Croke. Pallas. 3rd Anniv.

Mon. 9th Dec. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification.

. 7.30 pm Mass on Feast of Immaculate Conception.

Lord, for your faithful people, Life is Changed, Not ended.

1st Anniversary Mass Remembrance

Sun. 15th Dec. 10.00 am Fr. (Monsignor)Terry Moore

Diocese of Salt Lake City (Utah) (O'Moore Forest).

Mountrath Anniversaries

Mass Times – Anniversaries – Sat. 30th Nov - Mon 9th Dec

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

Sat. 30th Nov. 7.00 pm John Keenan, Beechlawn. 3rd Anniv.

Patrick and Philomena Carter, St. Fintan's Tce.

Patrick (Paddy's) 3rd Anniv,

John (Jackie) Hetherington, New Line Rd. 11th Anniv.

Elizabeth Sinnott, Shannon Rd., 11th Anniv.

Sun. 1st Dec. 1st Sunday of Advent - Year C.

9.00 am The Hollow Church.

Joseph and Brigid Pratt. Clonkeen

11.30 am Brigid Dunne (Nee Lalor) Woodbrook 3rd Anniv.

Mary Redmond (Nee Bergin) Redcastle. 6th Anniv

Peter Bennett, The Square. 7th Anniv.

Jimmy Fitzpatrick, Clonbarrow. 8th Anniv

Tues. 3rd Dec. 10.00 am .

Wed. 4th Dec. 10.00 am

Thurs 5th Dec. 10.00 am

Fri. 6th Dec. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.

Mountrath Anniversaries

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Continued

Sat. 7th Dec. 7.00 pm William Tynan, Fr. O'Connor Cresc.

John Doheny. Fr. O'Connor Cresc. 6th Anniv.

Sun. 8th Dec. 9.00 am The Hollow Church
Gerimiah Delaney, Clonard. 62nd Anniv.

The Holland Family, Trumera.

Patrick (Paddy) Hurley, Mountrath. 9th Anniv.

11.30 am Patty and John O'Connell (Patty's 7th Anniv)

Thomas Court, Margaret and Joseph Connolly, Main St. and their daughter Eilish Tan (nee Connolly)

Dan Bergin. Redcastle. 40th Anniv.

Mon. 9th Dec. 10.00 am Feast of The Immaculate Conception.

1st Anniversary Mass Remembrance

Sat. 14th Dec. 7.00 pm Catherine Tobin (nee Duggan) Ballyfin Rd.,

Margaret Brophy (née Doorey) Trumera, - Dunmore, Galway. R.I.P.

We pray for Margaret who died peacefully at St. Vincent's Community Unit, Mountmellick, on Mon.25th Nov. Margaret's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath on Wed. 27th Nov. followed by burial in Mountrath Cemetery. We extend sympathy to her husband, Edward (Ted) and family, Lorraine, Aoife (Keyes), Enda and Cathal and their families, grandchildren Dylan, Josh, Aoibheann, Cian, Saoirse and Eoghan, sisters Ann, Chris, Kathleen and Carmel, bothers Jackie and Michael and their families, nieces, nephews, extended family, relatives and her many friends. Margaret served as Sacristan at Church of the Sacred Heart, The Hollow for the best part of 20 years, was a member of the Board of Management of Gaelscoil Thromaire for a number of terms and was involved in many Clubs and Organisation in the Parish during her years with us. Margaret was a most generous person, who contributed a lifetime of selfless giving of her time, energy and her many talents. May she now find rest from her labours.

Ann Prakash (Nee O'Shea) Patrick St., St. John's Sq., Portlaoise. R.I.P.

We pray for Ann who died peacefully on Mon. 25th Nov. Ann's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Peter and Paul Church, Portlaoise on Sat. 30th Nov. followed by private cremation. We extend sympathy to Anne Martin, Stephen Robert and their families. sisters Mary, Lucy, brothers John and Joe and their families. Grandchildren Leanne and Marlene, nephews, nieces, relatives and many friends.

May Margaret and Ann rest in the peace of Christ.

Seamus Bergin.

Derrykeel, Kinnitty, R.I.P.

We pray for Seamus who died suddenly at his home on Tues. 19th
Nov. Seamus' Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Flannan's
Church, Kinnitty on Sun. 14th Nov. followed by burial in St. Flannan's
Cemetery, Kinnitty. We extend sympathy to his wife Ita, sons
James and Kieran, daughters Sinéad and Mary and their families,
brothers Michael, Paddy, Kieran and Vincent, sisters Anne, Mary
Bridget, Elizabeth, and their families, grandchildren James, John
and Daniel, nieces, nephews, relatives, neighbours and friends.

We extend sympathy to Fintan and Marie and family, Tommy, Sheila and family, Pat and family and all the Dowling family, Cavansheath on Seamus' sudden and untimely death.

May Seamus rest in the peace of Christ.

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."Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind"

Christmas Cards and 2025 Calanders are now available. Contact Seán at 087 7676318 or call to Byrne's shop Main St. We will also have a Stand at this year's Christmas Market in BloomHQ Dec 8th.

Your continued support is very much appreciated.

The Golden Years Club

expresses thanks for your generous support of their recent Church gate collection. Also many thanks to the collectors on the day .

Ballyfin Community Alert

Grant aided personal monitored alarms are available to people aged 65 and over.

If you know of a family member, riend or neighbour in Ballyfin area who could benefit from this scheme please contact Sheila on 086 1570145 for information / application form.

Mountrath Parish Lotto, Our Regular Weekly Fundraiser

continues to be a very important contribution to the Financial wellbeing of the Parish. Very sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who support our Lotto weekly and a very special thank you to our promoters and the attention to detail of the Organising Committee. Mountrath Parish Lotto has a very attractive Prize fund structure, Yearly and half yearly membership Gift Cards are now available from any of our dedicated promoters

½ Yeary (26 draws) € 50 Yearly (52 Draws) €100



Ballyfin Parish Lotto 27th Nov Nos. Drawn 2 5 6 24

No Jackpot Winner

14 Match 3 Winners Rec. € 72 each

Next Week's Jackpot € 20,000

Thank you for your continued and generous support of Ballyfin Parish Lotto

Mountrath Parish Lotto 28th Nov

Nos. Drawn 4 7 11 20

2 Jackpot Winner Received a total of €8,5000

73 Match 3 Winners Rec. € 14 each 12 Local Winners

Winner Promoter

Ciara Keegan M. Keegan

Ross Phelan M. Farrell

Rachel Wrest Vera Richardstown

Jack Walsh Pam Killeen

Ann Keane Heather Mortomer

Breda Hosey Bernie Tynan

Michael Osborne Bernie Tynan

Fran Kelly Ann Kelly

Peter Middleton Pam Killeen

Eddie Phelan Eddie Phelan

Peter and Charlotte Pam Killeen

Ken McPherson Frank Cullen

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Mountrath € 10,000 Ballyfin € 20,000

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Beginners Very welcome Come along and give it a try! Runners or Flat sole shoes are all you need!



Tuesdays and Thursday @1.00pm

Contact Ruth 089 264 7761

Bloomhq, Patrick St, Mountrath, R32DT9F











Monday

10 am Mature Movers
11 am School Program
2 pm Golden years club
7 pm Mixed Circuit
Training
7 pm Karate*
7.30 pm Mum Dance*

Tuesday

10 am Beginner TRX
10 am Mother & Baby
class*
11 am Activator Poles Inc
1 pm Lunchtime HITT

Wednesday

11 am Mature Movers 7 pm Mixed Circuit Training PAYG and Members Always Welcome

Thursday

9 am Beginner TRX
11 am Seated Exercise Inc.
1 pm Lunchtime HITT
7 pm Karate*
8 pm Bowls*

Friday

5.30 pm Kickboxing (3-7)*
6.30 pm Kickboxing (8-12)*
7.30 pm Kickboxing (13+)*
Saturday

12 am Pilates*
11.00 am Kids Basketball*

*These Classes are not included in the Membership fee

For more info contact Ruth on 089 2647761









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- · 5pm to 6pm Monday to Thursday
- · 1pm to 2pm Friday

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Fees:

Group classes: 20€/hour Private classes: 25€/hour



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Phone:

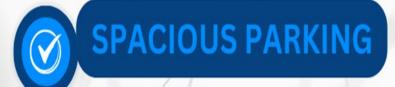
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Pilates

Saturdays 12-1 pm 6 weeks starting 14th September



Mountrath Health & Fitness Academy, Patrick st, Mountrath R32 DC58

€ 60 for 6 weeks

Sabrina 087 646 7305

https://www.mountrathgym.com/memberships/pilatesinmountrath







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*soundproof rooms

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Basketball in Mountrath

Now 11-12 am Saturdays



Kids 6-10 years 1 hour sessions €2 per child per session **VENUE**

BLOOMHQ, PATRICK ST, MOUNTRATH, R32 DC58

Outside in Bloomhq or in Philomena's

hall if raining!

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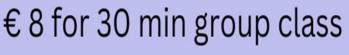


Music Classes in Mountrath



Trad Music

Saturdays from 11 am 6 + years



Eabha 083 856 6083



Piano

Sunday mornings 5+ years €20 per 30 min lesson Heather 083 054 7772





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Violin

Thursdays 3-30 pm on from 3 years -adult

€ 20 for 30 min individual lesson

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Classes for Primary School aged Children in **Mountrath Health & Fitness Academy**





Karate

Mondays & Thursdays 7 pm from 6 years up, €6 per class Sensei Donal: 087 760 7063

Kickboxing 6.30 pm 8-12 years, €7

Fridays 5.30 pm 3-7 years, €7

Shane: 086 339 9287

First trial class free



8-12 years,

Brazilian Wednesdays 7-8 pm & Saturdays 10-11 am

Jiu-jitsu* € 35 per month or €5 per class

Jamie; 085 200 2497



Art & Craft

Wednesdays 5-6 pm, 7-12 years € 30 for block of 6 classes Rhiannon: 089 211 5183

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to book talk to the relevant teacher







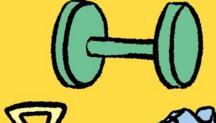
Saturday Morning Circuit Training



9-10 am



€ 7 PAYG or part of your monthly membership





contact 086 3262 570

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Mountrath Music Rooms

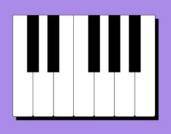
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Thursdays



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Saturdays

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Sundays



Contact the relevant teacher for times, prices etc

Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu/BJJ in Mountrath



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- *helps weight loss
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8 yrs- 18 €35 per month Adults €45 per month

€5 per class for under 18's €7 per class for Adults or included in Monthly Membership

Wednesdays

Kids 7-8 pm Teens /Adults 8-9 pm

Saturdays

Kids 10- 11 am Teens /Adults 11 am -12 pm

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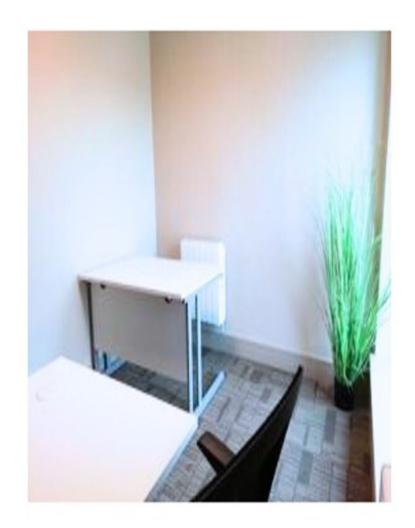






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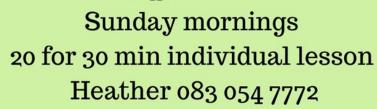
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Activities suitable for Senior Citizens in Mountrath

Mature Movers 50 + Mondays & Wednesdays 11 am





Bowls inclusive 11 am Tuesdays Bowls 8 pm Thursdays

Mountrath Men's Shed Tuesdays 10 am- 1 pm Thursdays 2 pm- 4 pm contact 085 705 3855





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Mountrath Men's Shed







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Karate Classes



Mondays & Thursdays 7 - 8 pm





Juniors and Adults



Okinawan Karate



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HIIT Lunchtime class

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Tuesdays & Thursdays

1.15 pm for 40 mins 5 euro a class

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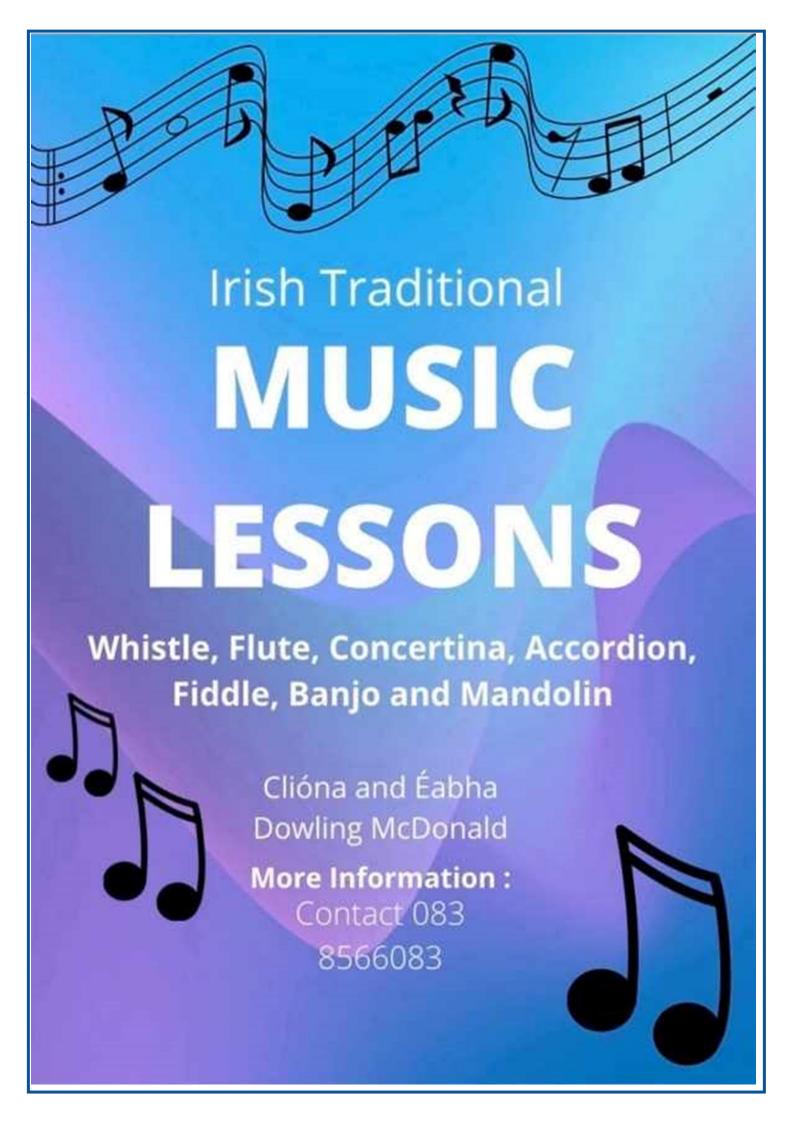
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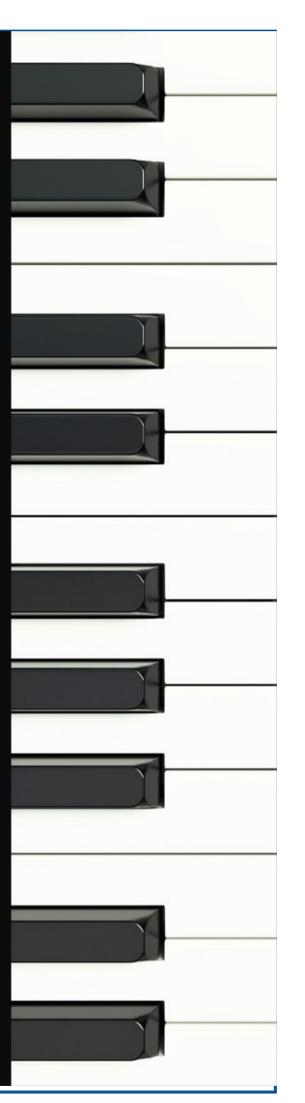
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Mountrath Scouts



Looking for a way for your kids to learn new skills and spend time in the great outdoors why not try scouts!

For all ages from beavers to ventures and into leaders!

Scouts is a way to

- Meet new people.
- Learn new skills.
- Spend time outside.
- Make friends for life.

Friday nights

In the brigidine convent (Bloom HQ) Patrick street mountrath R32 DC58

7:00 till 8:30

€5 pp or €4 per sibling



To care for those who once cared for us is one of the highest honors in life.

- Tia Walker



Special Kildare/Carlow Pilgrimage (Limited availability) to Fatima EX Dublin Easter 2025

Flying with TAP Airlines

Also 13th June 2025 for Feast of Saint Anthony,

13th October 2025 for Miracle of Sun

Contact James Treacy 061921470

jamestreacyphotography@gmail.com

Payment can be made by instalments

Daily Itinerary



Day 1 - Holy Thursday (Apr 17th)

- Depart Dublin Airport at 05.35 a.m. and arrive into Lisbon Airport at 08.35a.m.
- On arrival transfer to Fatima where we will check into our hotel.
- Lunch will be provided at the hotel.
- · Free time for optional activities.
- · Dinner at Hotel.
- · This evening we will attend Holy Thursday Mass.

Day 2 - Good Friday (Apr 18th)

- Following breakfast at our hotel we will walk the Way of the Cross.
- · Lunch in Hotel
- This afternoon, we will have a guided tour of the Sanctuary area visiting, the Capelhina, Rosary Basilica, the graves of the three children.

Day 3 - Holy Saturday (Apr 19th)

- This morning after breakfast we will visit the Parish Church, Valinhos and Aljustrel.
- · Lunch in hotel.
- Following dinner we will attend the Vigil Mass in the Sanctuary.

Day 4 - Easter Sunday (Apr 20th)

- Following breakfast, we will attend the Rosary and international Mass in the Sanctuary on this Easter Sunday morning.
- · Lunch in hotel.
- · Afternoon is free for optional activities.
- Dinner in Hotel.

Day 5 - Easter Monday (Apr 21st)

- After breakfast, we will depart Fatima on our optional tour of Nazare & Bathala.
- A packed lunch will be provided.
- For those staying in Fatima, lunch will be provided in the hotel.
- · Dinner and overnight.

Day 6 - Tuesday (Apr 22nd)

- We bid farewell to Fatima and make our way to Lisbon Airport.
- Enroute, we will have a short visit to Santarem and visit the Church of The Holy Miracle. We will
 have time for private prayer in this special place.
- · We will then continue onto Lisbon Airport.
- Our flight departs Lisbon at 3.20pm and arrives into Dublin Airport at 6.10pm.





FATIMA PILGRIMAGE



17th - 22nd APR '25

Group Leader: James Treacy
Escorted Tour

FATIMA where the Blessed Virgin appeared to the three children, Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta in 1917 is now one of the greatest Marian Shrines in the world.

VISITING: Chapel of the Apparitions - The Church of the Holy Trinity - Guided tour of the Sanctuary - Hungarian Stations of the Cross - Aljustrel - Partake in the Easter Celebrations

INCLUDES:

- Return flights ex Dublin to Lisbon
- 23kg checked in luggage per person
- Coaching as per the itinerary
- 5 nights full board basis staying at 3* Santo Amaro Hotel
- Religious itinerary with a guided tour of the Sanctuary area and excursion to Aljustrel
- Taxes and Charges

EXTRAS:

- Single room supplement: €200.00 for duration (first come first served basis)
- Travel Insurance*: €50 per person up to 79years of age and €75 per person between 80 & 94 years of age
- · Items of personal nature.
- · Additional meals not listed.
- · Valid Passports are required.
- Optional Day Trip prices will be given locally by our guide.

*Any person taking our travel insurance must get a form signed by their GP at time of booking and this form must be taken to Fatima with you.

HOTEL SANTA AMARO:

Located a 5-minute walk from the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima, Hotel Santo Amaro is the place where comfort and well-being are privileged. Hotel Santo Amaro offers you services of the highest quality so that you can enjoy your stay to the fullest. Our two excellent restaurants, where you can taste the typical cuisine of the region, are worthy of special mention. The hotel also has a chapel, two bars, and a souvenir shop. All guests have access to free wifi.

Cost Per Person €859pp sharing

Non-refundable €300 deposit plus insurance premium required at time of booking to secure place







For further information please contact:

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Synodality: Path and Practices Online Course 2024

The online course will be delivered via Zoom

from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm over 6 nights (6^{th} , 13^{th} , 20^{th} , 27^{th} November and 4^{th} , 11^{th} December).

Speakers include:

Bishop Brendan Leahy, Bishop Michael Router,
Julie Ann Moran.

Dr Anne Codd, Dr Oonagh O'Brien

and Bishop Patricia Storey.

Booking/Enquiries to: The Secretary 057 8626153

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INCOME

Basket Collection: € 16,305

Envelope Collection: € 25,986

Shrine Income: € 876

Rental Income: € 5.800

Fundraising: € 3,140

Donations: € 1.050

Tax Refunds: € 22,807

Church Bookings: € 460

Lotto Income: € 13,898

Other Income: <u>€ 2,421</u>

Total: € 92,743

EXPENDITURE

Diocesan Levy: € 6,576

Insurance: € 5,775

Light and Heat: € 17,570

Repairs and Maintenance: € 21,532

Pastoral Programmes: € 1,720

Security: € 273

Cleaning: € 263

Rates, Water, Waste: € 421

Diocesan Retirement Fund: € 1,000

Missallettes: € 1,870

Altar Requisites: € 3,657

Telephone/Broadband: € 1,379

Computer Hardware: € 3,219

Youth/Community: € 640

Bank Charges: € 880

Collections: € 200

<u>Total:</u> € 66,975