

Mountrath – Ballyfin Parish News – 13th November 2022

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Burglary Prevention Tips from
An Garda Siochana

See Below

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath - Ballyfin

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A great night of entertainment with All Ireland Ceili Band "The Grange" and past and present members of Camross Comhaltas, Singers Laura Scott U-15 All Ireland Winner 2022 and Tadgh Meagher and the Harvey Brothers Robert and James.

Sat. 12th - Sun. 13th Nov. 2022

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Fr. Joe (087) 2411 594

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Mountrath Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 12th - Sun. 20th Nov.

- Sat 12th Nov. 7.00 pm Pat McGrath, Shannon Road, 6th Anniv.
 Joe and Catherine Parkinson, Trumrea
 And their son, Paddy, who died on 10th June
 Billy Byrne, Ringstown. 9th Anniv.
 John and Mary O'Neill, Shannon St.,
- Sun. 13th Nov. 9.00 am The Hollow Church. 33rd Sun.
 11.30 am Mass of 33rd Sun. Ord. Time.
- Mon. 14th Nov. 10.00 am
- Tues 15th Nov. 10.00 am
- Wed. 16th Nov. 10.00 am
- Thur. 17th Nov. 10.00 am
- Fri. 18th Nov. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.
- Sat. 19th Nov. 7.00 pm Jack Hyland, Cavansheath. 3rd Anniv.
 Maura Phelan, Shannon Rd. 15th Anniv.
- Sun. 20th Nov. 9.00 am The Hollow Church. Feast of Christ the King
 Paddy Cullen, Clonenagh
 Richard and Martha Phelan, St. Fintan's Tce.
 11.30 am Feast of Christ the King.

1st Anniversary Remembrances

- Sun. 27th Nov. 11.30 am Paddy Carter, St. Fintan's Terrace.
 (also Paddy's wife, Philomena)
- Sat. 3rd Dec. 7.00 pm Brigid Dunne, (nee Lalor) Woodbrook

Christmas

2022

Advent begins on

Sun. 27th Nov.

We will be

starting all over

again with

Year A of the 3

year Cycle.

Year A is the

Year of Matthew

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

Noel Casey, Rathmore, Stradbally R.I.P.

We pray for Noel who died peacefully in St. Vincent's Hosp., Mountmellick on Mon. 7th Nov. Noel's Funeral Mass was celebrated in Sacred Heart Church, Stradbally on Thurs. 10th Nov. followed by burial in Oakvale Cemetry. We extend sympathy to sons, Frank and Enda, daughters, Mary, Nuala and Angela and families, grandchildren Jamie, Aoife, Edel, Ben, Keiva, Daniel, Tom, Barry, Grace, Leah and Amy, brother Martin and family, relatives, neighbours and friends – and his family at St. Vincent's Hosp., Mountmellick.

May Noel rest in the peace of Christ.

Mass Times – Anniversaries Fri. 11th - Sun. 20th Nov.

Ballyfin

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| Fri. 11 th Nov. | 5.00 pm | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. |
| . | 7.30 pm | Helen O'Rourke, Upper Ballyfin. 2 nd Anniv. |
| Sat. 12 th Nov. | 8.00 pm | Seán Gilligan, Brockera 4 th Anniv. |
| Sun. 13 th Nov. | 10.00 am | Sheila Fitzpatrick, Formerly Ballyfin – Ashgrove, Mt.Mellick. |
| Mon. 14 th Nov. | 7.00 pm | Apostolate of Sanctification |
| Fri. 18 th Nov. | 5.00 pm | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. |
| . | 7.30 pm | Altar List of the Dead. |
| Sat. 19 th Nov. | 8.00 pm | Maureen Troy, Pallas 10 th Anniv. |
| . | | And deceased members of Troy Family |
| Sun. 20 th Nov. | 10.00 am | Peggy Brennan (Nee O'Meara) Pallas. 2 nd Anniv. |

Ita Dunne, Deerpark. 4th Anniv.

Charles Phelan, O'Moore Forest, 13th Anniv.

Sr. Frances Teresa Dunne and deceased
members of Dunne Family, Brockera.

Peter Fitzpatrick, Cappinaclaire (Peter died in 1989)

Mon. 21st Nov. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

In November We Remember

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine
upon them – May they rest in peace, Amen*

We keep in our Prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill – at home,

in Hospital or in a Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical procedures,

at this time

Watch and Pray - Sunday, 20th Nov. - Ballyfin

Sunday, 20th Nov. is the Final Sunday of the Church Year – Each year in Ballyfin Parish Church

there is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 12 Midday on this day

Parish Townslands and times of Adoration / Silent Prayer as follows,

10.45 (Immediately after Mass) - Irey, Ross, Springfield, Lower Irey, Cappinrush,

Knocknakearn, Brockera, Cloncullen, Cappagh South, Ballylusk, Ockanroe, The Harrow.

11.00 am The Knocks, Cavansheath, Ballycormack, Cappinaclare, Upper Sconce, Lower Sconce,
Brisculia.

11.15 am Upper Ballyfin, Rossmore, Upper Clonurke, Catholes, Deerpark, Clonurke.

11.30 am Campcloon, Cappinrush, Esker, Clonagown, Clontowra, The Oak, Barkmills, Barnashrone. O'Moore's Forest,

11.45 am Clonagh, Cappagh North, Clontyglass, Clondarrig, Clonrooske, Pallas Big. Pallas, Pallas Little, Coolnamona, Ballina, Boughlone, Clonboyne, Clonkeen, Clondouglas. Oldtown, Aston Manor, Hillview, Rockdale, Mountrath Road.

Concluding Prayer at 12 midday

Moutrath Watch and Pray - Sunday, 20th Nov. Moutrath

Next Sunday, 20th Nov. is the Final Sunday of the Church Year

Each year in Mountrath Parish Church we have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for a few hours during this special Day,

The Feast of Christ the King

We as Parish, visit the Church (on this day) to spend some time in front of the Blessed Sacrament in adoration and in silent prayer in a spirit of thankfulness. Listed below are adoration / silent prayer times allocated to each of our 30 Townslands in the Parish, Station Areas.

12.15 pm (Immediately after Mass)

Clonard, Moonbawn, Forest Hill, Knockanina. Redcastle, Clonenagh, Derrough,

12.30 pm Ringstown, Derrylusk, Cappagh, Trumera. Dysartbeigh, Coldblow,

12.45 pm Fr O'Connor Crescent, Shannon St., Stillbrook. Portlaoise Rd.

1.00 pm Church St. Factory St. and Kiln Lane. The Square, Thomas Court, Patrick St. Main St. The Hollow.

1.15 pm Clonadacasey and Cloncourse. Shannon St. St. Fintan's Tce. Woodbrook.

Concluding Prayer at 1.30 pm

Painting of Mountrath Church.

Update

The scaffolders will begin scaffolding out the Sanctuary area of Mountrath Church beginning on Mon. 21st Nov. – It is estimated that it will take one week to put the scaffolding in place. Preparatory work for the Painting of the Church (Sanctuary area) will commence on Mon. 28th Nov. As I said last week there will be some disruption and for safety reasons some areas of the Church will be cordoned off for the duration of the work.

For the safety of everyone using the church during the painting project, we rely on your co-operation and understanding. *Many thanks.*

Man Available

for Garden Maintenance
and General Handywork

085 176 5423

Excellent References Available

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Christmas Fair

in aid of Mary's Meals

in

**Ballyfin Community
Centre**

on

Sunday 4th December

11am ~ 3pm

Variety of Stalls to suit all ages
Cake Sale Christmas Raffle

*A great day is guaranteed –
your support would be appreciated*

For more information, or to donate unwanted gifts or other items, please contact Kathleen Dunne at 086-1024752, Sheila Dowling at 086-1570145 or Margaret Bradford at 087-9823109



Mary's Meals is a global movement that sets up school feeding programmes in some of the world's poorest communities, where poverty and hunger prevent children from gaining an education.

*It costs **€18.30** to feed a child in a place of education for an entire school year.*

*Mary's Meals currently feed **2,279,941** children each school day.*



Christmas Fair in Ballyfin

A Christmas Fair in aid of Mary's Meals will be held in Ballyfin Community Centre on Sun. 4th Dec. from 11am to 3pm. There will be a variety of stalls to suit all ages, with many items available on the day, including home baking, firewood, plants, bric-a-brac, gifts and much more. There will also be great prizes available in our Christmas Raffle, with winners drawn on the day. A great day is guaranteed to celebrate the community and get the festive season off to a good start! Your support will be much appreciated.

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 or Margaret Bradford at 087-982 3109.

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Mountrath Parish Lotto

10th Nov

Nos. Drawn 9 16 19 28

No Jackpot Winner

13 Match 3 Winner. Rec. € 77

Next Week's Jackpot €20,000

3 Local Winners Sheila Bergin -

Mark Farrell - Vera Richardson

Thank you for your Generous and continued

Support of all our Parish Collections



Ballyfin Parish Lotto

9th Nov.

Nos. Drawn 5 12 15 29

1 jackpot winner received €11,000
(Newbridge Parish)

15 Match 3 Rec. Each € 67
Next Week's Jackpot € 10,000

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



Our Hub Will Be Hosting a Digital First Day Event on November 16th

- 1) School App supports 9.45am - 10.30am
- 2) Adult Learner - Phone safety, spotting phone scams and funding tools and supports to use new applications on your phone with Rory McEvoy of Microsoft 11am - 12pm
- 3) Lunch and Learn Networking event - Digital Growth for your business and startup 12.30pm - 2pm

Wed Nov16th
Events all day
from 9.30am

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Would you like to read the Catechism in a year?

We are a friendly group that reads and discusses a section of the Catechism of the Catholic Church each week. In 2023, we will follow The Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz.

<https://ascensionpress.com/pages/catechisminayear>

Join us on Mondays at 8.00pm in the Parish Centre,
Prosperous. Contact Alice 087 6505803

In November We Remember

Memorial Service

For babies, who passed away through miscarriage, Still birth and Neo Natal deaths is being held in the Church of Our Lady & St.

Joseph, Caragh on Friday, November 28th @ 7pm

All are welcome.

The Miscarriage Association of Ireland

Annual Service of Remembrance

Will be held on Sunday the 13th of November 2022 at 3pm in St Teresa's Church, Donore Avenue, off South Circular Road, Dublin 8. All parents, siblings, grandparents & anyone else affected by the loss of a baby are very welcome to attend, regardless of whether the loss was recent or long ago.'

Lock Up - Light Up

Burglary Prevention Tips from An Garda Siochana

As we approach the time of year when the clocks are set to go back, we are once again appealing to people to secure their homes and premises and to Lock Up and Light Up during the winter months.

Traditionally Burglaries increase by 20% over the winter months of October to March. Some simple methods can make your home and premises less vulnerable to Criminal Attack.

- *Lighting around the house on a sensor or photocell.*
- *Lighting inside on timers*

Natural Surveillance- trim shrubs down to 1m and trees up to 2 m.

- *Use Bogus Caller Cards*
- *Close Curtains during hours of Darkness.*

What Attracts the Burglar:

- *Signs of being unoccupied.*
- *Open Windows*
- *Hidden keys*
- *A build up of Post /Milk, etc.*
- *No alarms.*
- *High vegetation*
- *Ladders or tools in easy reach*
- *Easy access to the rear of your house*
- *Poor lighting or house lights on at the wrong time.*

See WWW.garda.ie for Home Security Tips and Advices.

Ossory Adult Faith Development Pilgrimage to Rome

The Eternal City has a remarkable array of religious works of art – frescoes, paintings, sculptures, mosaics, stuccos. Over the centuries these treasures have inspired, educated and uplifted countless people. Our itinerary will explore the religious and catechetical meaning of some of these masterpieces. Traveling dates March 9th – 14th 2023, €710 p.p sharing. For more information and to book your place please contact Kieran and Laura Troy, Myriam Tours at 057-9355050 or email info@myriam.ie

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) will be offered on an on-going basis at University Hospital Kerry from January 2023. CPE can be used as preparation for pastoral ministry in many different settings, for discernment, faith formation, sabbatical. It involves three components - education, supervision and clinical placement. If you feel this is something worth exploring, please contact Dr Margaret Naughton at

066-7184000 or email naughtonmargaret@yahoo.com to begin the conversation.

Mortgage Arrears / Abhaile Scheme

Are you in mortgage arrears? Are you worried about losing your home? If so, there is help. You may be entitled to Government support under the Abhaile Scheme.

For more information, feel free to contact Tatiana McGreal, Financial Solutions Ireland on 085 8674883 www.fsireland.ie

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.

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 Sanctification

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!

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 sessions consists of a 30 mini 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

Clane Parish Pilgrimage to The Holy Land

Accompanied by Fr Paul O'Boyle, travelling from 19th – 26th April 2023. Price per person, €1665, includes return flights from Dublin to Tel Aviv, 3 nights in Legacy Hotel Nazareth, 4 nights in Manger Square Hotel Bethlehem (all nights dinner bed & breakfast basis), all transfers, boat trip on Sea of Galilee and all admissions, tips and local taxes. For more details please

visit <https://marian.ie/destinationIndiv.asp?id=Holy%20Land&tour=5893>

Pledge for November

Many people offer spiritual support to a relation who is struggling because of alcohol or an addiction problem. Parishioners who wish to take a short-term Pioneer pledge during the month of the Holy Souls are invited to visit www.pioneers.ie/pray

Association of Catholics Ireland, Zoom Meeting

Pitfalls in the Terminology of Sacrifice" with Dr Tom O'Loughlin

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the sacrament of the Mass - the Eucharist - is called 'the Holy Sacrifice because it makes

present the one sacrifice of Christ the Saviour and includes the Church's offering'. (1330)

In September 2022 Archbishop Eamon Martin asked Irish Catholics to think of making 'personal sacrifices in answer to the cry of the Earth'. And yet Christian ideas of sacrifice have been blamed by some historians for much of the violence of history, including the Crusades, the expansion of European imperialism and colonialism from c.1450, and the bloodletting of World War I.

So how are we to understand Christian sacrifice today, faced with 21st century challenges?

In examining aspects of the history of the idea of sacrifice, Dr Tom O'Loughlin, emeritus professor of historical theology at Nottingham University, will deal with "some of the pitfalls in the way we use the terminology of sacrifice".

Zoom link for this talk – Thursday Nov 3rd at 8.00 PM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9924186865?pwd=ZjZpWHpkTlIBdElyTHc3TUN4SXgwUT09>

Meeting ID: 992 418 6865

Passcode: 123456



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