

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 27th – Sun. 28th Nov. 2021 1st Sun. Advent – Year C.

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Mass Times – Anniversaries Fri. 26th Nov. – Sun. 5th Dec.

Fri. 26th Nov. 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

7.30 pm Altar List of the Dead.

Sat. 27th Nov. 8.00 pm Liam Lyndon, O'Moore Forest. 3rd Anniv.

Maureen and Billy Troy, Pallas
and deceased members of Deegan Family
Ned and Ann Fitzpatrick, Pallas Big.

Sun. 28th Nov. 10.00 am Sean Gilligan, Brockera, 3rd Anniv.

Brendan Breen, Craydon Court, Portlaoise, 5th Anniv.

Peter and Katie Molloy, Portlaoise and Molloy family, Ross.

Fri. 3rd Dec. 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament.

7.30 pm Altar List of the Dead.

Sat. 4th Dec. 8.00 pm Owen Heffernan, Redgates. 2nd A.

Sun. 5th Dec. 10.00 am Tom Coleman, Esker.

New Church Year Begins

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

**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

Ministries Rota Sat. 4th – Sun. 5th Dec.

Readers (Proclaimers) of the Word

Sat. 4th Dec. 8.00 pm Gerard Rowney

Sun. 5th Dec. 10.00 am Catriona Fitzpatrick

Ministers of Holy Communion – Group 4

Sat. 4th Dec.. Teresa McCormack

Sun. 5th Dec.. Crescentia Phelan.

Cleaners Group 4 – For December

Mairead Delaney Mary Cashin Teresa McCormack

Margaret Cashin Andrea Cashin Kathleen Dunne

Collectors for December

Sat. Tom Thompson – Adrian Greene

Sun. Liam Conroy – Kieran O'Connor

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Ballyfin Ladies Football Club

Christmas Draw

Prize – Night for 2 in Ballyfin House

Hotel – See home page of Parish

Website for all the details

December Parish Visitation

Wed. 1st Dec. Mountrath Town

Thurs. 2nd Dec. Ballyfin Parish

Tues. 7th Dec. Mountrath Country

Dates for Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion Celebrations in 2022.

We have made the following arrangements for the celebration of the Sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion during 2022.

While putting these arrangements in place we are mindful that we are still very much in “Covid 19 Pandemic mode” – Once again the safety of our children and their families and indeed, the safety of everyone involved in the preparation and celebration of these sacraments has been (and must be) our priority and first consideration.

Ballyfin Parish

Confirmation – St. Fintan's Church, Ballyfin. 2 Ceremonies.

Time of each Ceremony 11.00 am.

Sat. 26th March 2022 (Last Sat. in March) – Sat. 2nd April 2022 (First Sat. in April)

Celebration of 1st Holy Communion. 2 Ceremonies. Time of each Ceremony 2.00 pm

Sunday 22nd May 2022 Sunday 29th May 2022

Mountrath Parish

Confirmation – St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath. 2 Ceremonies.

Scoil Naomh Brid Wed. 16th March Time 11.00 am

St. Fintan's Boys National School Wed. 16th March Time 2.00 pm

Celebration of 1st Holy Communion – 2 Ceremonies. Time of each Ceremony 2.00 pm

Sunday 8th May 2022 Sunday 15th May 2022

Where there is more than one in a family intending to receive the Sacraments next year (For example – one family member receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation and another member of family, receiving 1st Holy Communion) families are most welcome to combine these ceremonies and have these 2 celebrations during one Ceremony of their choice. If a family prefers to bring their son or daughter to any of our Parish weekend Masses to receive either of the Sacraments, they are most welcome to do so. *Just contact Fr. Joe.*

Once again, this year, despite all the odds, we managed to celebrate all our Sacraments with respect, dignity and meaning and in a timely way and all in a safe and secure environment for everyone. This in no small way was due to the cooperation and goodwill of everyone involved, Candidates for the Sacraments, parents and families of Candidates, Our teachers and schools staff, Sacramental coordinators and people who prepared our churches and kept them safe for us.

Once again, I wish to express sincere thanks to everyone involved in the celebration of Sacraments of 1st Penance, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation this year – With your help, goodwill and cooperation, we can (*and Please God, we will*) do the same again next year. *Fr. Joe*