

## St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. of Advent Year B

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### Mass Times Anniversaries Fri. 1<sup>st</sup> - Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Dec

Fr. 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 8.00 pm Ned and Annie Fitzpatrick, Pallas Big.

Seán Gilligan, Brockera, 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Liam Lyndon, O'Moore Forest. 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Sun. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 10.00 am Owen Heffernan, Redgates. 4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Mon. 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Dec. **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

Mass at 11.30 am With children of Ballyfin School

*Everyone welcome to attend this Mass*

5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

7.30 pm Mary Gorman, Cappagh.

Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. 8.00 pm Carmel Croke, Pallas. 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv.

Sun 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 10.00 am *"Do This In Memory Mass"*

Charles and Elizabeth O'Neill, Clontyglass.

Mon. 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.00 pm Apost. of Sanctification

### 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Remembrance

Sat. 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. 8.00 pm Martin Gilligan, Ballyfin Rd., Mt.Rath

## Apostolate of Sanctification

This Advent, consider spending time in adoration, praying for our bishops & priests through the intercession of Our Lady of Knock. As we offer our rosary and divine mercy for them,

though our Lady of Knock's intercession, His love flows to us, our families and our parishes. O COME LET US ADORE HIM!

Whether it's half an hour or two hours you have to offer, you are most welcome!

Monday Night 6.45pm to 9pm St.Fintan's Ballyfin (R32TD6I)

## Christmas Party

Ballyfin Parish and Community Alert Christmas Party in Deadmans Inn, (arranged for Sun. Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>) has been cancelled as a result of the very small number interested in attending.

## Annual Collection

St. Vincent de Paul Annual Collection will take place next weekend, 9<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. at our Masses in Mountrath, Ballyfin and the Hollow Church. Your generous support is always very much appreciated.

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

## Do This In Memory Masses

Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. Mountrath Church 7.00 pm

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. Ballyfin Church 10.00 am

## Advent Begins This Weekend

This new Year, Year B (in the 3 year Church Cycle) is the Year of Mark, when most of our Gospel Readings during Mass will be taken from Mark's Gospel. The Gospel of Mark, considered to be the first of the four Gospels to be written, is the shortest of the four Gospels and the foundation Gospel for the other two synoptic Gospels (Matthew and Luke) – For Mark, the big question throughout his Gospel is – who is this person, they call the Christ. – It is not until the time of the Crucifixion that Mark names Jesus as – Son of God. – The Roman Centurian, standing guard at the foot of the Cross, recognises the true significance of the event, and is heard to say " In truth, this man is the Son of God" (*What an act of Faith*)



## Mistries Rota Fri. 8<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Reader Min. of Holy Comm

Fri. 8<sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm Maria Dowling

Sat. 9<sup>th</sup> 8.00 pm Eve Timmons Catherine Carroll

Sun. 10<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am Helen Coughlan Br. Nicholas

### Church Cleaners for Dec. Group 7

Brid Duff Chris Phelan Delia Ryan

Kathleen Conroy

### Collectors for Dec.

Sat. Richard Duff Sun. Denis Daly

*Thank You for Your continued Involvement in and commitment to our Parish*

## Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Par. Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Par. Caroline Moore Pachelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:

Ms. Ailish Higgins. Deputy Diocesan Liaison

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## Parish Visitation Dec.

Tues. 5<sup>th</sup> Mountrath Country

Wed. 6<sup>th</sup> Mountrath Town

Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> Ballyfin Parish

## We keep and hold in our Thoughts and Prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill – at home, in Hospital or in a Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or medical procedures

## Ballyfin Parish Lotto

Wed. 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov.

Nos. Drawn 1 13 23 26

€ 17,000 Jackpot went to Abbeyleix.

16 Match 3 rec. €63

New Jackpot € 10,000

## Christmas Bingo

St. Fintan's Hall, Mountrath from next Mon. night, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. Extra prize money - Blue Flyer Sheet - Full House €200.; Jackpot Sheet- Full house €200: Lucky Line sheet - €150. Please support your local Bingo. *All are very welcome.*

## Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Fri. 8<sup>th</sup> Dec.

### Masses

Thurs. 7<sup>th</sup> Dec. Vigil Mass

Mountrath Church. 7.00 pm

### Day of Feast.

The Hollow Church. 9.00 am

Mountrath Church 10.00 am

Ballyfin Ch. with children of Ballyfin Sch. 11.30

Ballyfin Church. 7.30 pm