

## St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> - Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> April Palm Sun. of the Lord's Passion

Holy Week - An Seachtain Mór

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Mountrath Ballyfin Parish App. - Mountrath Ballyfin Parishes

## Trócaire Boxes

Still available and can be collected at the back of Church.

*Lent is what We Do*

## Diary Dates for 2023

Sacrament of Confirmation  
Ballyfin Parish Fri. 12th May 2023 11.00 am  
Main Celebrant, Bishop Denis Nulty  
1st Holy Communion Date  
Mountrath Parish Sun. 7th May 2023  
Scoil Bhride and St. Fintan's  
The Hollow Church Sun. 21st May Time 9.00 am  
With children of Gaelscoil Thromaire.

## Ballyfin Parish Income 25<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> March

42 Envelopes	€ 324.25
Offertory Coll.	€ 238.02
Lenten Stations	€ 210.00
Easter Dues	€ 50.00
Candle Shrines	€48.72

*Sincere thanks for your most generous contributions*

## Mass Times Anniversaries Fri. 31<sup>st</sup> Mch - Mon. 10<sup>th</sup> Apr

Fri. 31<sup>st</sup> Mch. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Bl. Sacrament  
7.30 pm Celebration of the Eucharist.  
Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> Apr. 8.00 pm Joseph (Joe) Connolly, Esker. Month's Mind.  
James and Margaret Lalor, Cappina Claire.  
And daughter, Margaret Newell (England)  
John Fitzpatrick, Ross.

Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr. 10.00 am Noel Walsh, Pallas Little and deceased family members.  
Austin O'Flynn, Deerpark. 9<sup>th</sup> Anniv.  
Daniel and Brigid Dowling, O'Moore Forest.

Mon. 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification  
7.30 pm Chrism Mass Cathedral, Carlow

Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> Apr. Penitential Services for Easter  
Mountrath 7.00 pm Ballyfin 8.00 pm

Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> Apr. 7.30 pm Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper

## Renewal of Ministers of Holy Communion during each Mass

This renewal Ceremony is for all Ministers of Holy Communion who wish to continue as Ministers of Holy Communion for the coming year

Watch and Pray before the Blessed Sacrament - Ending at about midnight

Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> Apr. 3.00 pm Good Friday Solemn Liturgy of the Passion  
7.30 pm Stations of the Cross

Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> Apr. 11.00 am Holy Saturday Individual Confessions  
8.00 pm Easter Vigil Bernadette Coyne, Boghlonge 8<sup>th</sup>

Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> Apr 10.00 am Easter Sun. Mass of the Resurrection.

Mon. 10<sup>th</sup> Apr 7.00 pm Easter Mon. Apostolate of Sanctification

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

## Holy Week

A Week of Sacred Memories

A Week that changed the World

## St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Meeting in Parish Centre, Portlaoise  
Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> April after 10.00 am Mass  
New Members are most welcome.

Contact for more information  
087 747 4939

## National Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock

Sun. 23<sup>rd</sup> April  
For transport details contact  
Brendan 087 653 7753,  
Dr Margaret 087 979 3005

## Ballyfin Parish

1st Holy Communion Dates  
Sun. 21st May 2023  
Time 2.00 pm  
(With children of Ballyfin NS)  
Sun. 28th May  
Time 2.00 pm  
(With children of Barnashrone NS)

## Ministries Rota Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> April.

	Reader	Min. of Holy Comm.
Thurs. 6 <sup>th</sup> 7.30 pm	Michael Rice	Mary Hooban
Fri. 7 <sup>th</sup> 3.00 pm	Teresa McCormack	Breda Merdith
Sat. 8 <sup>th</sup> 8.00 pm	Br. Matthew Hayes	Catherine Carroll
Sun. 9 <sup>th</sup> 10.00 am	John Coughlan	Br. Nicholas Leahy.

Church Cleaners for April (Group 6)  
Kathleen O'Connor, Emma Fitzpatrick,  
Sinead Leonard, Siobhan Hooban, Gwen Dunne  
Collectors for April Sat. Sheila Dowling - Charlie Gorman Sun. Denis Daly - Edward Coughlan

## Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne  
Mountrath Parish Caroline Moore - Pachelli Walsh  
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:  
Ms Kathleen Sherry Deputy Diocesan Liaison  
Ms Michelle Hughes, c/o Bishop's House,  
Dublin Rd, Carlow Ph: 085 802 1633

## Ballyfin Lotto Results 29<sup>th</sup> March

Nos. Drawn 4 11 18 30

No Jackpot Winner. 21 Match 3 Rec. € 48  
1 Local Winner

Marie McEvoy - Promoter Mary McEvoy  
Next Week's Jackpot € 15,000

## Clean Up Laois Week

Ballyfin Community Alert have registered with Laois County Council to take part in Clean Up Week 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> April. Bags, gloves & pickers will be given out on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April from 10.30 - 11am at the Community Centre or contact Sheila on 086 1570145. (See online Newsletter for full details)

## Good Friday Stations of the Cross

St. Matthew's Ch, Roskelton to The Hollow Ch.  
Starts at 10.00 am (At St. Matthew's Ch, Roskelton)

## We keep and hold in our thoughts and prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill or unwell - at home, in hospital or Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or medical procedures. - We wish them a speedy recovery.