

St. Fintan's Parish, Ballyfin

Sat. 16th - Sun. 17th Sept. 24th Sunday in Ord. Time

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Mass Times Anniversaries Fri, 15th - Sun. 24th Sept.

Fri. 15th Sept. 7.30 pm

Sat. 16th Sept. 8.00 pm Breda Heffernan (Nee McCann) Redgates. Month's Mind.

Sun. 17th Sept. 10.00 am *Lord, for your faithful people,*

Mon. 18th Sept. 7.00 pm *Life is changed, Not ended*

Fri. 22nd Sept. 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament.

. 7.30 pm Pat and Anne Dunne, Cappanrush.

Sat 23rd Sept. 8.00 pm Feast of St. (Padra) Pio

Sun. 24th Sept. 10.00 am 25th Sun. in Ord. Time.

Mon. 25th Sept. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification..

*We keep and hold in
our prayers people
who are ill or unwell at
this time*

Local honey for sale - Contact
Lily on 086 087 0969

Ballyfin Lotto Results 13th Sept.

Nos. Drawn 2 11 15 22

No Jackpot Winner New Jackpot €20,000

21 Match 3's Rec. € 48 ea

2 Local Winners

Andy Cashin Promoter, Kathleen Dunne

Glen Brennan Promoter, Denis Daly

St. (Padre) Pio's Feast Day.

Mass (Celebration of the Eucharist) to mark the 55th Anniversary of the death of Padra Pio will be celebrated on Fri. 22nd Sept. in St. Mary's Church, Edenderry - (Commencing at 7.20 pm) Main celebrant will be Bishop Denis Nutly.

Mistries Rota Sat. 23rd Sun. 24th

Reader Min. of Holy Comm
Sat. 23rd 8.00 pm Ken Molloy Deirdre Fitzpatrick
Sun. 24th 10.00 am Sheila Dowling Crescebtia Phelan

Church Cleaners for Sept. Group 4

Mairead Delaney Mary Cashin
Teresa McCormack Kathleen Dunne

Collectors for Sept.

Sat. Michael Carroll Sun. Chris Phelan

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Par. Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Par. Caroline Moore Pachelli Walsh

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Season of Creation

The Season of Creation runs from 1 Sept (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 Oct (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year. This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer. We give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth, our common home. "Let Justice and Peace Flow" is theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. In his message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2023, Pope Francis encourages us to "live, work and pray that our common home will teem with life once again." To notice and celebrate the season of creation reinforces our commitment to respect it. This can take many different forms. We can join campaigns to draw attention to the ways in which creation is disrespected. We can celebrate the beauty of creation and try to embody respect for it in our ordinary lives - in the way in which we travel, eat and sleep, for example, read, sow seeds, wrap and dispose of rubbish. The season of creation is a time to attend to our world, to celebrate its beauty and respect its delicacy, and to join others in coming to its defence.

Date for the Diary

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in Mountrath / Ballyfin Parishes on
Fri. 26th April 2024
The Ceremony in Ballyfin Parish Church will Commence at 2.30 pm

Put Out Into Deep Water

(Lk 5:4) Kildare and Leighlin Diocese Building the Church of the Future "These are challenging times for the Church, not only in our diocese, but also right across the country. Most, if not all, dioceses are undergoing processes that call for parishes to work closely together and, in time, to share resources. We heard people express worry and anxiety about the future. Some were not in full agreement with the clustering of parishes. Others knew that change was coming and was inevitable and, even with the worries and anxieties that were expressed, they were willing to embrace the change. Indeed, we are at a point where change is not just coming; it is here. While 'how' we are as Church changes, what it means to 'be' Church does not - we are God's people on God's mission. Changed times, call for changes in how we go about that mission".

[Extract from the Report of May/June 2023 Listening Sessions held across our diocese.](#)

Camross CCE

Camross CCE are celebrating their 50th Anniversary this year and we have a weekend of Events planned to take place:

Fri. 22nd Sept. Music Session in Hogans Bar in Coolrain where all are welcome to join.

Sat. 23rd Sept. Mass in St Fergal's Church Camross at 7.30 pm followed by a meal in the Community Hall, finishing off with a music session for all in The Camross Inn.

Sun. 24th Sept. we are Hosting a Ceili in the Community Hall from 3 - 6pm dancing to the Shandrum Ceili Band.