

## St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sun 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. '23 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. Advent.  
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## Ballyfin Christmas Carol Service

St. John the Baptist Church, Ballyfin. Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> Dec.  
Commencing at 7.30 pm - A collection will be taken on  
the night - the proceeds of which will go to St V de Paul  
& the (Ballyfin) Playground Project  
Everyone is most welcome.

## Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne  
Mountrath Parish. Caroline Moore and Pachelli Walsh  
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms. Ailish Higgins.  
*Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michelle Hughes c/o*  
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## Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec

Sat. 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 7.00 pm Simon Walsh, Clonard. 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv.  
Margaret Mary (Rita) Brophy. Roscrea  
Formerly Fr. O'Connor Cresc. 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.  
Thomas Taylor, Moonbawn  
Kate, Molly and Frank Phelan, Wodbrook  
Thomas and Margaret Phelan, Shannon Rd.,  
Seamus Fitzpatrick and deceased family members, Woodbrook.  
Sun. 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. 9.00 am **The Hollow Church.** 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. of Advent.  
11.30 am 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Year B.  
Individual Confessions after Mass



## 8.00 pm Vigil Mass on Christmas Eve.

Brigid and Michael O'Rourke, Lower Sconce  
Tom Grehan, Dysartbeigh

## Mon. 25<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Day

### Masses on Christmas Day

9.00 am Church of the Sacred Heart, The Hollow  
10.00 am St. Fintan's Church, Ballyfin  
11.30 am St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath  
Tues. 26<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.00 am  
Wed. 27<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.00 am Seán Moore, Woodbrook. 18<sup>th</sup> Anniv.  
Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.00 am People who are ill in the Parish.  
Fri. 29<sup>th</sup> Dec. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.  
Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.00 pm Peter Delaney, Clonard - 8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.  
Sun. 31<sup>st</sup> Dec. 9.00 am **The Hollow Ch.** Feast of the Holy Family  
Michael Seale and deceased members of Seale family.  
11.30 am Kavanagh Family, Kilbricken  
*Lord, for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended.*

## SVP Conference Mountrath - Christmas 2023

Wishing our staff, volunteers, customers and our generous donors who have supported us throughout the year a very happy Christmas and a peaceful new year. Our shop will reopen on Tues. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan. at 10am.  
We look forward to seeing you in the new year.

## Seán Cuddy (Big Seán) Aughduff, Camross. R.I.P.

We pray for Seán who died peacefully on Mon. 18<sup>th</sup> Dec. Seán's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fergal's Church, Camross on Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. followed by burial in adjoining Cemetery. We extend sympathy to Ann, Seán Gerard, Fiona, Paula, Alan and Chris and families, grandchildren, brothers, sisters, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours and his many friends.

## Peggy Wall (Nee Byrne) Yorkshire - Formerly Derrough. R.I.P.

We pray for Peggy who died peacefully at her home in Yorkshire recently. Peggy was the last surviving member of the Byrne family, Derrough - We extend sympathy to the Wall and Byrne families, relatives and friends on her passing.

*May Seán and Peg rest in the peace of Christ*

## At Christmas,

*Those we love don't go away.  
They walk beside us every day,  
Unseen, Unheard, but always Near.  
So Loved, So Missed, So very Dear*

## We keep and hold in our Thoughts and Prayers

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

## Bishop Denis' Christmas Message

See Bishop Denis' Christmas message on my  
Online Newsletter or view also on [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie)

## Mountrath Parish Lotto 21<sup>st</sup> Dec.

Lotto Gift Cards now available from Promoters

*Numbers Drawn 9 17 18 29 -*

17 Match 3 Winners Rec. € 59 Each. 1 Local Winner  
Karen O'Connor Promoter, Pachelli Walsh.

## New Jackpot, € 11,000

Next Lotto Draw - Thurs. 28<sup>th</sup> Dec. (Next Thurs.)