

## St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> – Sun. 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2021 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. of Advent – Year C

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### Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. – Sun. 5<sup>th</sup> Dec.

Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. 7.00 pm 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent - Year C. New Church Year Begins

Sun 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. 9.00 am The Hollow Ch. Richard and Martha Phelan, Mountrath

11.30 am Mary Redmond (Nee Bergin) Redcastle, 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv.

Ita, Brenda and Joan MacCarthy and parents,

James and Eileen MacCarthy, Portlaoise Rd.

Jerimiah Delaney, Clonard,

Patrick and Angela Wallace, Patrick St.,

Christy Wall, Shannon St.,

Patrick and Michael Doheny, Patrick St.,

Wed. 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 10.00 am Jack Hetherington, New Line Rd., 8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Thur. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.

Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 10.00 am Jerry and Elizabeth McMahon. Fr. O'Connor Cresc.

Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.00 pm Elizabeth Sinnott, Shannon Road. 8<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. 9.00 am The Hollow Church.

11.30 am Noel Ryan, Factory St., Month's Mind

Peter Bennett, The Square 4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

**Paddy Carter R.I.P.**

Funreal Mass on Mon.

29<sup>th</sup> Nov. at 10.00 am

Mon. 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 10.00 am

Tues. 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. 10.00 am

Wed. 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. 10.00 am

Thur. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. 10.00 am

Fri. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 10.00 am

Sat. 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 7.00 pm

Sun 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. 9.00 am

*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

### Dec. Parish Visitation

Wed. 1<sup>st</sup> Dec. Mountrath Town

Thurs. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec Ballyfin Parish

Tues. 7<sup>th</sup> Dec Mountrath Country

See home page of Mountrath  
Parish Website for Mountrath  
Lotto Results and more Parish  
News.

### Paddy Carter, St. Fintan's Tce. R.I.P.

We pray for Paddy who died peacefully at Regional Hosp.  
Portlaoise on Sat. 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. We hold and keep Paddy's  
family in our thoughts and prayers at this sad time.

### Safeguarding Children Parish Representatives

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Parish Caroline Moore and Pachelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms Kathleen Sherry

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michelle Hughes.

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## Dates for Confirmation and 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Celebrations in 2022.

We have made the following arrangements for the celebration of the Sacraments of  
Confirmation and 1<sup>st</sup> 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 Celebrations of Confirmation

Time of each Ceremony 11.00 am.

Sat. 26<sup>th</sup> March 2022 (Last Sat. in March) - Sat. 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2022 (First Sat. in April)

Celebration of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion. 2 Ceremonies. Time of each Ceremony 2.00 pm

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022 Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2022

### Mountrath Parish

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

Scoil Naomh Bríd. Wed. 16<sup>th</sup> March. Time 11.00 am

St. Fintan's Boys Nat. Sch. Wed. 16<sup>th</sup> March 2.00 am

Celebration of 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion - 2 Ceremonies. Time of each Ceremony 2.00 pm

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Arrangements for celebrating  
the Sacraments of Confirmation  
and 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion with  
children of Gael Scoil, Thromaire  
still to be finalized

Where there are 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 - 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 1<sup>st</sup> Penance, 1<sup>st</sup> 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*