# Mountrath – Ballyfin Parish News – 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2022

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Burglary Prevention Tips from

An Garda Siochana

See Below

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath - Ballyfin

### Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 2022 Fr. P.J. Fitzgerald C.C. 087) 605 5783 Fr. Joe (087) 2411 594

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# "THE CASE"

Curtain Up 7.30 pm *at* Mountmellick Arts Centre, Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> - Sat. 29th Oct. (This Weekend) Tickets Available at

https://www.eventbrite.com/b/ireland performing /visual arts/

Written, Produced and Directed by Frances Harney

See Below for Full List of Cast and Production team

Mountrath - Ballyfin Parish App. available to download on iPhone and Android

### Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

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,

c/o Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow Ph: 085 802 1633

### Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 29th Oct. – Sun. 6th Nov.

#### Mountrath

Sat 29th Oct. 7.00 pm Rose Murphy (Nee Gorman) Patrick St., Month's Mind

Daniel and Bridie Lalor, Main St.,

Sun. 30th Oct. 9.00 am The Hollow Church. 31st Sun. Ord. Time.

11.30 am Brendan and Nancy Bredin, Derrough, 12th Anniv.

Mon. 31st Oct. 10.00 am James and Mary Mortimer, Shannon St.,

7.00 pm Vigil Mass for Feast of All Saints

Tues. 1st Nov. 9.00 am The Hollow Church.

11.30 am Feast of All Saints.

Wed. 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov. 10.00 am Feast of All Souls.

Thurs. 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov. 10.00 am

Fri. 4th Nov. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.

Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. 7.00 pm Noel Ryan, Ballyfin Rd., 1<sup>st</sup> Anniv.

Deceased Members of Mountrath GAA Club

Joe and Maureen Kirwan, Clonard.

Sun. 6th Nov. 9.00 am The Hollow Church - 32nd Sun. Ord. Time.

11.30 am Patricia Quearney, (Nee Madden) New Line Road. Month's Mind

Mary Redmond, Redcastle. 4th Anniv.

Martin Moore, Fr. O'Connor Cresc.

2.00 pm Service of Remembrance in Mountrath Cemetery.

Lord, For your Faithful People, Life is Changed, Not Ended.

#### In November – We Remember

Service of Remembrance will be conducted in St. Fintan's Cemetery, Mountrath on 1<sup>st</sup>
Sunday of November — Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> November 2.00 pm — If you would like to
"proclaim" a Reading or lead us in a Prayer of the Faithful during this Ceremony,
please contact Fr. Joe - and let him know — as soon as you can.

### Mass Times - Anniversaries

# Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sun. 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. Ballyfin

Fri. 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. 5.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

7.30 pm Celebration of the Eucharist.

Sat.  $29^{th}$  Oct.  $8.00 \, pm$  Nick Brennan, Brockera,  $10^{th}$  Anniv.

. Jerimiah and Kathleen Dunne, Pallas

Johnny Fennelly, Cappanrush

Sun. 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. 10.00 am Frances Lawlor (Nee McColgan) Cappinaclaire 4<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Rita Fingleton (Nee O'Farrell) Ross. 10<sup>th</sup> Anniv.

Mon. 31st Oct. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Santification

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John and Mary Murphy

Ned and Annie Fitzpatrick, Pallas Big

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Mon. 7th Nov. 7.00 pm Apostolate of Santification

#### James (Jim) Walsh, Northampton (Formerly Tinnakill, Camross) R.I.P.

We pray for Jim who died at his home in Northampton on 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. We extend sympathy to all his family – remembering in a special way at this time, his sister Christine Larkin, (Nee Walsh) Fr. O'Connor Cresc. and all her family.

May Jim rest in the peace of Christ.

#### Sarah (Sally) Glennon (née Conroy) Dublin Rd., Moate, R.I.P.

We pray for Sarah who died suddenly at her home on Sat. 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. Sarah's Funeral Mass was celebrated in Carmelite Church, Moate on Wed. 26<sup>th</sup> Oct. followed by burial in Kilcurley Cemetery, Tubber. We extend sympathy to her family in Moate, to brothers Liam, Tommy and her twin Joey, sisters Margaret and Josie, and their families, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends.

May Sarah rest in the peace of Christ.

### We keep in our Prayers

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

# Feast of All Saints - Feast of All Souls

#### In November We Remember

Masses for Feast of All Saints

Mountrath Church Mon. 31st Oct. 7.00 pm Vigil Mass

The Hollow Church Tues. 1st Nov. 9.00 am

Mountrath Church Tues. 1st Nov. 11.30 am

Ballyfin Church Tues. 1st Nov. 7.30 pm

#### Feast of All Souls

Wed.  $2^{nd}$  Nov. 10,00 am Morning Mass in Mountrath Ch.

Mountrath Ch. Fri. 4th Nov. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.

Ballyfin Church Fri. 4<sup>th</sup> Nov. 7.30 pm Altar List of the Dead.

# Painting of Mountrath Church.

The painting of Mountrath Church is due to begin over the next couple of weeks.

The painting work will commence in the Sanctuary area. As I said when I was chatting you during Mass recently, the painting of Mountrath Church will involve a fair amount of disruption — disruption which cannot be avoided.

When commencing the painting, our first task will be to temporarily move the altar to a raised platform outside the altar rails. This is required to allow the

Eternal rest

grant unto them,

D Lord and let

perpetual light

shine upon them

- May they rest

in peace, Amen

entire sanctuary area to be scaffolded out in full (to the roof) When the scaffolding is in place and ready all walls to be painted will get a thorough clean down - all walls will be repaired and filled (where necessary) - when this preparatory work is completed, three coats of emulsion paint will be applied to the walls. It is impossible to put a time frame on the duration of this work but it is estimated that it will take at least a month / five weeks.

Please God, it will be all worth it.

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#### "THE CASE"

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Sir Hugh has invited his family and friends to his home at Clewman Estate to make an important announcement of concern to them all. However, the discovery of his lifeless body at the bottom of the cellar stairs leads to the arrival of the world's leading detectives

to investigate the case.

### You are invited to Mountmellick Arts Centre to enjoy The CASE

The CASE is a classic 'whodunit' that will delight and engross all ages in equal measure. It is a big cast production that brings many of our local actors together to display their comic talents and agile physical capacities.

Mountmellick Arts Centre, Fri. 28th - Sat. 29th Oct. - Curtain Up 7:30pm

Tickets for The CASE at €10 are available online on Eventbrite.

All funds raised will be divided between Ballyfin GAA club and Ballyfin
Community Development Association, while The Cuisle Centre will benefit from
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Early booking is advised. - LIKE and FOLLOW us on Facebook @BallyfinPlayers

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#### Man Available

for Garden Maintainance and General Handywork 085 176 5423

Excellent References Available

Portlaoise and District Plowing Assoc.

Host a

Table Quiz

in the Deadman's

Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> Nov. '22 8.00 pm

### Mountrath Lotto 27th Oct..

Nos. Drawn 9 25 28 29

No Jackpot Winner

7 Match 3 Winner Rec. € 143.00

Next Week's Jackpot €19,000

Thank you for your Generous Support
of all our Parish Collections

# Ballyfin Lotto 26th Oct

Nos. Drawn 2 6 7 24

No Jackpot Winner

22 Match 3 Rec. € 46 Each 1 Local Winner

Trudy and Darla

Promoter Gemma Dunphy

Next Week's Jackpot € 18,000

Thanks to everyone involved in Ballyfin and Mountrath

Parish Lotto for support and your generousity

#### Christmas Fair in Ballyfin Community Hall

A Christmas Fair in aid of Mary's Meals will be held in Ballyfin Community Centre on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December from 11am to 3pm.

For more information, or to donate unwanted gifts or other items, please contact Kathleen Dunne at 086-1024752, Sheila Dowling at 086-1570145 or Margaret Bradford at 087-9823109.

### Mary's Meals - Calling all Quizzers!

Mary's Meals Monthly Online Quiz — Held the last Friday of every month at 8pm. €5 to enter — which provides 55 school meals. To take part, go

to <a href="https://www.marysmeals.ie/fundraising/project/online-quiz/online-quiz-for-marys-meals">https://www.marysmeals.ie/fundraising/project/online-quiz-for-marys-meals</a> or contact Martin Colfer at 087 2596159.

#### ALONE - The Organisation that supports Older People to Live Independently.

"ALONE supports older people to age at home, combatting loneliness and isolation.

Would you like to volunteer from the comfort of your own home?? We are seeking volunteers to make Support and Befriending calls to older people. Please visit our website at <a href="www.alone.ie">www.alone.ie</a> or call our National Support and Referral line on 0818 222

024 to find out more about volunteering

# Lock Up - Light Up

Burglary Prevention Tips from An Garda Siochana

As we approach the time of year when the clocks are set to go back, we are once again appealing to people to secure their homes and premises and to Lock Up and Light Up during the winter months.

Traditionally Burglaries increase by 20% over the winter months of October to March. Some simple methods can make your home and premises less vulnerable to Criminal Attack.

- 。 Lighting around the house on a sensor or photocell.
- 。 Lighting inside on timers

Natural Surveillance- trim shrubs down to 1m and trees up to 2 m.

- 。 Use Bogus Caller Cards
- 。 Close Curtains during hours of Darkness.

#### What Attracts the Burglar:

- 。 Signs of being unoccupied.
- 。 Open Windows
- 。 Hidden keys
- 。 A build up of Post /Milk, etc.
- . No alarms.
- 。 High vegetation
- 。 Ladders or tools in easy reach

- Easy access to the rear of your house
- 。 Poor lighting or house lights on at the wrong time.

See <u>WWW.garda.ie</u> for Home Security Tips and Advices.

### Ossory Adult Faith Development Pilgrimage to Rome

The Eternal City has a remarkable array of religious works of art — frescoes, paintings, sculptures, mosaics, stuccos. Over the centuries these treasures have inspired, educated and uplifted countless people. Our itinerary will explore the religious and catechetical meaning of some of these masterpieces. Traveling dates March 9<sup>th</sup> — 14<sup>th</sup> 2023, €710 p.p sharing. For more information and to book your place please contact Kieran and Laura Troy, Myriam Tours at 057-9355050 or email info@myriam.ie

### Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE)

Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) will be offered on an on-going basis at University Hospital Kerry from January 2023. CPE can be used as preparation for pastoral ministry in many different settings, for discernment, faith formation, sabbatical. It involves three components -

education, supervision and clinical placement. If you feel this is something worth exploring, please contact Dr Margaret Naughton at 066-7184000 or email <a href="mailto:naughtonmargaret@yahoo.com">naughtonmargaret@yahoo.com</a> to begin the conversation.

### Mortgage Arrears / Abhaile Scheme

Are you in mortgage arrears? Are you worried about losing your home? If so, there is help. You may be entitled to Government support under the Abhaile Scheme.

For more information, feel free to contact Tatiana McGreal, Financial Solutions Ireland on 085 8674883 www.fsireland.ie

### Workshops for Cantors

A series of workshops for Cantors will take place around the country during the coming year. We begin the first workshop, in association with the Schola Cantorum, St Finian's College, Mullingar, on Saturday, 12 November, in St Paul's Church Mullingar, beginning at 12 noon and ending at 2.00 p.m.

### Marriage Encounter

Marriage Encounter Ireland are hosting a Marriage Enrichment Weekend from Friday 4th – Sunday 6th November 2022 at the International Hotel, Cork Airport. For more information and to book please visit <a href="https://www.marriageencounter.ie">www.marriageencounter.ie</a>

#### Bishop Denis' Prayer for the People of Ukraine

Bishop Denis invites this prayer for peace in Ukraine to be prayed at all our Masses

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need. Amen.

#### Apostolate of Santification

St. Fintan's Church, Church, Ballyfin Every Monday Starts at 7.00 pm
Intercession for Bishops and Priests, through Our Lady of Knock takes place each
Monday night at 6.45pm in our parish church, St. Fintan's Ballyfin. All are invited to join

in the two hour session which consists of community prayer, reciting -The Divine Mercy Chaplet, meditations on The Holy Rosary and a chaplet offered for our Bishops and priests in the presence of The Blessed Sacrament. When we pray for our priests, Our Lady of Knock blesses us and our families abundantly. All most welcome!

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#### ALPHA ONLINE

Is there more to life than this? For questions like this, try Alpha.

Alpha is a series of 10 interactive sessions, exploring Christianity and Faith. Each sessions consists of a 30 mini video followed by a 30min open discussion and sharing of experiences.

For more details click on the link <a href="https://alphaireland.org/try">https://alphaireland.org/try</a>
Starting Thursday 29th September for one hour 8pm to 9pm.

Where:- Online in the comfort of your own home.

All are welcome, we promise you will not be disappointed.

Please register by supplying your name, email and phone number to the presenters:-

Des O'Doherty, <u>odohertydes@gmail.com</u> or 087-122-1345

Kevin Kiernan, <u>kevinkiernan@gmail.com</u> or 086-244-6436

We will then send you the link to the zoom meeting.

#### Transmitting Faith in Contemporary Culture

In processing the diocesan synodal reports the ACI steering group concluded that no issue seemed of greater concern than the growing absence of young people, including younger parents, from regular weekly liturgies - even before the onset of the Covid 19 pandemic in the spring of 2020.

A zoom gathering has been organised by the Association of Catholics in Ireland takes place on Thursday October 6th, 2022 at 8.00 pm. Professor Michael Conway (Professor of Faith and Culture, Pontifical University, St Patrick's College, Maynooth) will present his own view of the issue of faith transmission today, and will be followed by open discussion. All are welcome to join in.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85073799955?pwd=VlpicXViUGImT2FIQXIm0HVLWjFpZz09

Meeting ID: 850 7379 9955 Passcode: 690623

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### The St Willibrord Biennial Lecture 2022

On Mon. Nov. 7th, the third St Willibrord Biennial Lecture will take place in St Laserian's Cathedral, Old Leighlin, starting at 7pm.

This year's speaker will be Luxembourger Dr Michel Summer of Heidelberg University, Germany, who will speak on 'From Rath Melsigi To Rome: St Willibrord's Career In Its European Context'. Michel completed his PhD in Trinity College on St Willibrord and his English biography of Willibrord will be published in 2023.

This lecture marks the Feast Day of St Willibrord, Patron Saint of Luxembourg, First Apostle of the Netherlands and his Co Carlow connection. St Willibrord spent twelve years at the famed monastery of Rath Melsigi, Clonmelsh, County Carlow, before he was ordained at the famous monastery of Old Leighlin. He left Co. Carlow on his successful European Mission in AD690. He was made Bishop and Archbishop of Utrecht in the Netherlands before establishing his major monastery and scriptorium in Echternach, Luxembourg. He is remembered each year in Echternach with a UNESCO World Heritage Status hopping procession. In 2017, the town of Echternach presented a relic of St Willibrord to the county and it is permanently displayed in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow Town. In 2019 Carlow County Council and Echternach Town signed a Friendship Agreement.

The Biennial Lecture is hosted by St Laserian's Cathedral, coordinated by Carlow County Museum in partnership with the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin, the Diocese of Leighlin and Carlow County Council.

### Clane Parish Pilgrimage to The Holy Land

Accompanied by Fr Paul O'Boyle, travelling from 19<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Price per person, €1665, includes return flights from Dublin to Tel Aviv, 3 nights in Legacy Hotel Nazareth, 4 nights in Manger Square Hotel Bethlehem (all nights dinner bed & breakfast basis), all transfers, boat trip on Sea of Galilee and all admissions, tips and local taxes. For more details please

visit <a href="https://marian.ie/destinationIndiv.asp?id=Holy%20Land&tour=58">https://marian.ie/destinationIndiv.asp?id=Holy%20Land&tour=58</a>
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# Éist Fundraising Event – Antiques Roadshow

Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Carlow Sunday 6th November from 2pm – 4pm. Valuers from Sheppards Irish Auction House will be in attendance to value peoples treasured and unusual possessions. Admission is €10 per adult, free valuations.

### Pledge for November

Many people offer spiritual support to a relation who is struggling because of alcohol or an addiction problem. Parishioners who wish to

take a short-term Pioneer pledge during the month of the Holy Souls are invited to visit <a href="https://www.pioneers.ie/pray">www.pioneers.ie/pray</a>

### Association of Catholics Ireland, Zoom Meeting

Pitfalls in the Terminology of Sacrifice" with Dr Tom O'Loughlin

According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, the sacrament of the Mass - the Eucharist - is called 'the Holy Sacrifice because it makes present the one sacrifice of Christ the Saviour and includes the Church's offering'. (1330)

In September 2022 Archbishop Eamon Martin asked Irish Catholics to think of making 'personal sacrifices in answer to the cry of the Earth'. And yet Christian ideas of sacrifice have been blamed by some historians for much of the violence of history, including the Crusades, the expansion of European imperialism and colonialism from c.1450, and the bloodletting of World War I.

So how are we to understand Christian sacrifice today, faced with 21st century challenges?

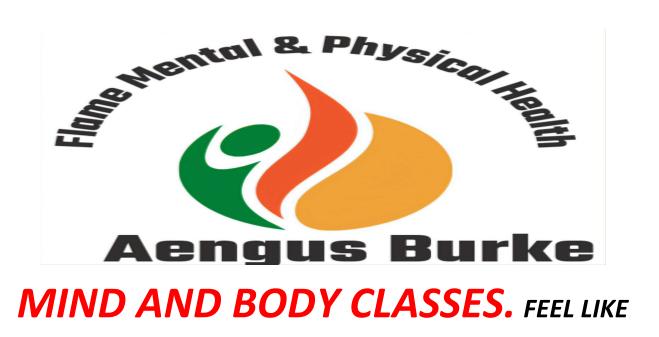
In examining aspects of the history of the idea of sacrifice, Dr Tom O'Loughlin, emeritus professor of historical theology at Nottingham University, will deal with "some of the pitfalls in the way we use the terminology of sacrifice".

Zoom link for this talk – Thursday Nov 3rd at 8.00 PM

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9924186865?pwd=ZjZpWHpkT11BdElyTHc3T 0N4SXgwUT09

Meeting ID: 992 418 6865

Passcode: 123456



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NO BODY UNDERSTANDS?

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Cast of - THE CASE



Sir Charles Carmine | John Dunne

Lady Scarlet Carmine | Geraldine Fitzpatrick

Mrs. Apricot Tangerine| Mary Heaney

| Ray Killeen

 Mossy Green | | Tommy Dunne

Lavender Blanche JAnn-Marie Colgan

Mabel Teal | | Mary Cashin

Prof. Nicholas Slater | Ken Molloy

Rev. Theobald Cobalt | Brendan Connolly

Sable Cobalt | |Zeta O'Neill

Arthur Amaranth | Liam O'Neill

Fuchsia Amaranth | Vikki Byrne

Ash Marengo | | Seán Connolly

Rick Marengo | Kevin O'Rourke

Inspector Silver | JP Cahillane

Lieutenant Cubumbo| TJ McCann

Inspector Clueno | Tom McGrath

Miss Marvel | AC Reynolds

Jessica Fresher | Tríona O'Rourke

Lilac Taffy | Aoife Harney

Sandy Brown | John Duffy

Rob | John McEvoy

Buff | Fergal Dooley

Ethan Greenfield | | Enda Gilligan

Trevor Blackman | John Fingleton Erica Whitefold | | Gráinne Linden

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#### Production Team of "THE CASE"

Author director producer Frances Harney Michael Burke stage management lighting | Ron Lawlor sound |Shane Harney stage dresser | Ann Tilson |Jenna Hilton make-up **Aoife Nell** | Aoife Harney prompter Orlagh McCrory graphics | Michael Burke programme printing | Fr Joe Brophy eventbrite |Ciara Conlon | Frances Harney costumes photography | Joe Conroy | Roundwood House photo-shoot venue rehearsal venue | The Old School | ballyfin

| Seán Connolly

transport

furniture & props | John Moloney

| AC Reynolds

| Mary Cashin

facebook | Michael Burke

posters | Mochua Print

| Patrick O'Rourke

video | Lawlor Video Memories

venue | Mountmellick Arts Ctr.

... and all who helped get THE CASE to the stage ...

Originally planned for March 2020,

Ballyfin Players is truly delighted to finally bring to you THE CASE.



THE CASE is set in the library of Clewman House where family and friends of Sir Hugh have gathered to hear an important announcement of concern to them all. However, the discovery of Hugh's body at the bottom of the cellar stairs prompts an investigation by the world's leading detectives.



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#### "THE CASE" A Classic Whodunit

by Frances Harney.

Many poisonous plans they are clearly afoot
To kill off Sir Hugh, and to take all of his lout.
His servants, his friends and his family come round.
Soon motives abound and detectives surround.

Cobumbo forever says, "eh, just one more thing"
While Marvel and Fresher's bright insights can sting.
Sherlock Bones deduces all things elementary,
While Clueno's faux pas are hilariously complimentary

A side splitting, rib tickling, chucklesome play
Book through Eventbrite without delay
October 28 and 29 is your chance
In Mountmellick Arts Centre, for just €10 finance.

This play it is brimming with fun and intrigue
The plot is at home in the Champions League.
Some dastardly tricks simply have to be seen,
It's a whole family treat, just right for Halloween.

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