

Mountrath Ballyfin Parish News 25th June '23

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath – Ballyfin

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat. 24th – Sun. 25th June 2023

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Cemetery Masses In Mountrath Ballyfin

Mountrath Cemetery Fri. 28th June

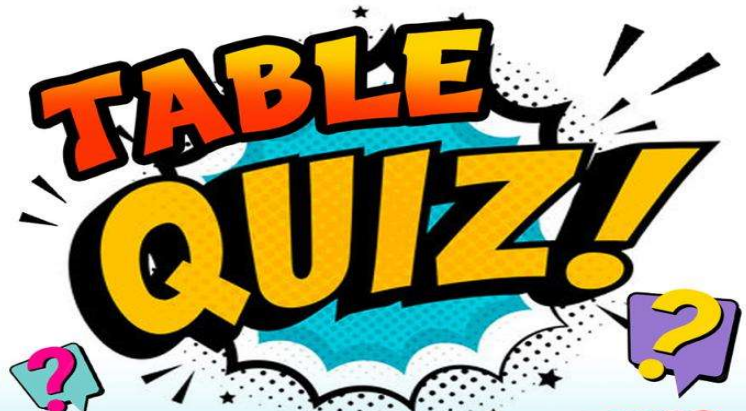
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We keep and hold in our thoughts and prayers

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.

Mountrath Cemetery Mass Fri. 30th June

As we lead into our Cemetery Mass which we celebrate this Friday (30th June) – I wish to express thanks to all involved in the preparations for this very special event - Organizing Committee, Readers, Choir, Ministers of Holy Communion, Stewards, G.A.A. for their kind assistance with parking. Tommy Ferns and team on sound. (PA) It is good that we are all able to remember – once again - and in a fitting manner, our loved ones who have been called home, in the way that we do best, - assemble in prayer and in hope as a Christian Community around the graves of our loved ones, to celebrate the Eucharist.- celebrate the promise of life eternal which our loved ones received on the day of their Baptism. Thank you for your involvement in our Cemetery Mass preparations and for your dedication to the continued care and attention to family graves.

Church Gate Collection

Lourdes Invalid Fund for Mountmellick, Mountrath and Ballyfin will take place on Sat.

1st Sun. 2nd July. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

We hold and keep in our prayers

Catherine Conroy (Nee Brophy) Blanchardstown – Formerly, Upper
Sconce R.I.P.

We pray for Catherine who died peacefully on Sun. 18th June. Catherine's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Patrick's Church, Corduff on Tues. 20th June followed by burial in Mulhuddart Cemetery. We extend sympathy to her family. Pat, Bríd, Maura, Stephanie and their families. Her 11 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren, nephews, nieces, relatives and friends..

Catherine was in her 105th year.

May Catherine rest in the peace of Christ.

All-Ireland Pollinator Plan

The All-Ireland Pollinator Plan is an island-wide attempt to reverse declines in pollinating insects. One third of our bee species are threatened with extinction in Ireland. The good news is that you can help by making your garden pollinator friendly.

Every garden, no matter its size, can be a haven for hungry pollinators.

www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/

Deadline for Parish Newsletters

Items for Parish Newsletters are always most welcome. If you wish to have an item included in the Parish Newsletters (Print or online Edition) we request that they be in by 11.00 am on Thursdays

Text Message, Email, Whatsapp, Letter or Pop into Parochial House.

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

*A Very Sincere "Thank you" for Your Most Generous Support
of all our Parish Collections*

See letter from Jim Deeds on Page 24 of this Newsletter

Mountrath Community Alert

Annual text alert fee of €10 for 2023 –'24 now due. Fee may be paid until Friday 7th July in the Credit Union or online

at <http://www.communityalerts.ie>

New subscribers welcome.

Say it with Flowers



A note of thanks to Imelda for looking after the Altar flowers
in all our churches.

Imelda and Mick, we wish you all the best in your new Shop in
Derrylusk

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Different ways of Supporting your Parish:

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

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Mass Times – Anniversaries

Mountrath

Sat. 24th June - Sun. 2nd July

Sat. 24th June 7.00 pm Paddy, Maura and Billy Kerwin, Clonard.

Sun. 25th June 9.00 am [The Hollow Church](#)

11.30 am Catherine Moore, Fr. O'Connor Cresc. 11th Anniv.

Mon. 26th June 10.00 am Maura Turner, Patrick St., And her parents.

Jim Thompson.

Tues. 27th June 10.00 am

Wed. 28th June 10.00 am Michael and Catherine Conroy, Roundwood.

Thur. 29th June 10.00 am Feast of St. Peter and Paul.

Fri. 30th June 10.00 am Kieran, Nora and Jim Phelan, Coldblow.

Ann Doheny, 6 Fr. O'Connor Cresc.

7.00 pm Cemetery Mass in Mountrath Cemetery.

Mountrath Cemetery Committee are a totally voluntary group dedicated to the care and maintenance of Mountrath Cemetery. To help with their great work with the upkeep of the Cemetery, a Collection for the upkeep of the Cemetery will be taken up at the entrance gate of the Cemetery before our Cemetery Mass this evening.

Your generous support is always much appreciated.

Sat. 1st July 7.00 pm

Sun. 2nd July 9.00 am [The Hollow Church.](#)

11.30 am 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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

Ballyfin - Mass Times Anniversaries

Fri. 23rd June - Sun. 2nd July

Fri. 23rd June 5.00 pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

7.30 pm Altar List of the Dead.

Sat. 24th June 8.00 pm Nuala Mc Namara, (Nee Deevy) Ross. 3rd Anniv.

Nuala's parents, William and Margaret Deevy.

Elizabeth Murphy (Nee Multany) Cappagh. 7th Anniv.

Sun. 25th June 10.00 am John O'Rourke, Cappanrush.

2.00 pm Retirement Mass with Michael Moloney and family and with School Community and Faith Community in which Michael lived and worked as Principal of Ballyfin National School for the past 25 years.

You are most welcome to be part of this very special celebration.

Mon. 26th June 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

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Sat. 1st July 8.00 pm Tom Goode, Ballylusk. 10th Anniv.

Parents, James and Annie - Brothers, Christopher, Paddy and Dave.

Sun. 2nd July 10.00 am Paddy Keating, Brockera

Mon. 3rd July 7.00 pm Apostolate of Sanctification

Diary Dates for 2023

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Mountrath - Ballyfin Lotto Results.

Ballyfin Lotto

Results for 21st June

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Nos. Drawn 10 13 24 25

No Jackpot Winner

13 Match 3 Rec. € 77 each

Next Week's Jackpot € 18,000



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A note of thanks to everyone involved in Ballyfin Parish Lotto - Organising Committee, Promoters, Shops and others who facilitate the sale of Lotto Tickets and most importantly, you, who purchase a Lotto ticket every week. I extend a very sincere "thank you" for your support and generosity.

Mountrath Parish Lotto Results for 22nd June

Nos. Drawn 1 4 5 18

No Jackpot Winner -

10 Match 3 Winnners Rec. € 100 each

- **3 Local Winners**

Eddie Kirwan, Promoter, M. Farrell

Ava Hosey Promoter, Pam Killeen.

Anthony Deegan, Promoter Gerry Dooley

Next Week's Jackpot €20,000

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€ 18,000 Ballyfin

€ 20,000 - Mountrath

Dermot & Irene Ring



St. Philomena's Hall, Mountrath

August Bank Holiday Mon. (7th Aug) 9.30 - 12

Parish Finances. - A Word of Thanks

Thanks for your generous contributions to Parish Funds.

Once again, I want to renew my appreciation and gratitude for the ways in which you have found to support the parish and us, the priests of the parish, over the past year. We are deeply grateful. It has and continues to be a most challenging time for so many; families, self employed, hospitality and so much more. By and large we are not doing too bad, thanks in no small part to your generosity, I wish to acknowledge your support given via the weekly envelopes (2023 boxes are ready for distribution at present). Contributing to the Parish by envelope allows us to keep track of your donations for the whole year and, where possible, (and totally at your discretion) claim the additional 45% back from Revenue under the charity donations scheme at no cost to yourself. If you are not as yet, part of this scheme – and would like more information, please contact me when you get a chance.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity - it is very much appreciated.

Different ways of supporting your Parish:

⇒ Weekly Envelopes ⇐

⇒ Direct payment - Cash/Cheque ⇐

If contributing by cheque please make cheques payable to “Mountrath Parish” - or “Ballyfin Parish”

Please indicate - Parish Fund or Clergy Fund (for support of the priests of the Parish)

Cheques can be posted to - Parish Office, Parochial House, Ballyfin, Portlaoise, Co. Laois.

⇒ Online Facility (See Diocesan Website - www.kandle.ie ←

⇒ Standing Order or Transfer directly to our Accounts ←

The following are our Bank Account Details

Mountrath Parish - Bank Account Details

(Portlaoise Branch)

Name - Mountrath Parish Current Account

Account number - 7274 7250

IBAN - IE93 BOFI 9018 2972 7472 50

BIC. - BOFIE2D

Ballyfin Parish - Bank Account Details

(Portlaoise Branch)

Name - Ballyfin Parish Pastoral Council

IBAN - IE44 AIBK 9332 7900 203030

BIC. - AIBKIE2D

Please include your own name as the reference.

⇒ Support Mountrath and Ballyfin Parish Lottos ←

If you have any queries or would like to speak with us regarding donating to the Parish or participating in the charity tax donation scheme, just ring me on 087 241 1594 (Fr. Joe)

Stay connected with us!

Parish Website www.mountrath/ballyfinparish.ie -

Links to Webcams on Home Page

Visit our Parish App. Mountrath Ballyfin Parish

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Angela Moore, Support Engagment Officer with Mary's Meals has asked me to include this note in this week's Newsletters.

Bus to Knock Shrine

The National Mary's Meals Annual Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine takes place on Saturday 1st July. Bus will leave Roscrea at 9 am. To book a seat (€20), please contact Angela at

089 433 9592.

LOURDES



MOUNTMELICK, MOUNTRATH, BALLYFIN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2023

Spiritual Director: Fr Noel Dunphy

2 August 2023

7 Nights from Dublin Airport

€995 per person sharing

- » Direct return flights from Dublin to Lourdes
- » Return airport transfers in Lourdes
- » 7 nights in the Hotel La Solitude
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Ballyfin Mountrath Mountmellick

Pilgrimage to Lourdes

2nd August – 9th August 2023

See online News! For Full details

Contact Person - Eleanor Duff Phone No. 087 767 0915

Silver Screenings

The IMC Cinema, Fairgreen, Carlow are running a weekly over 60's club on Thursdays at 1.30pm. Latest releases, reduced volume, raised lighting and special rate of €7.

Diocesan News

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

Portlaoise Parish to the Holy Land led by Mgr John Byrne, travelling from 7th Sept – 15th Sept 2023. Cost per person €2190, single supplement €769. Cost includes coach transfer from Portlaoise to Dublin airport return, flights, accommodation on half board basis, courier service in the Holy Land and a full religious programme. For more details please contact Tullys Travel Carlow on 059-9136100.

Rally for Life 2023

DON'T MISS IT! Rally for Life on the 1st of July! Join thousands of fellow Catholics & pro-life supporters at the biggest annual pro-life event, now in its 17th year. Gather at 1PM at Parnell Square, Dublin 1. Activities for both children and adults, a family friendly event!

For more info or to book a place on the bus going up to the rally visit www.thelifeinstitute.net , or call 01 873 0465

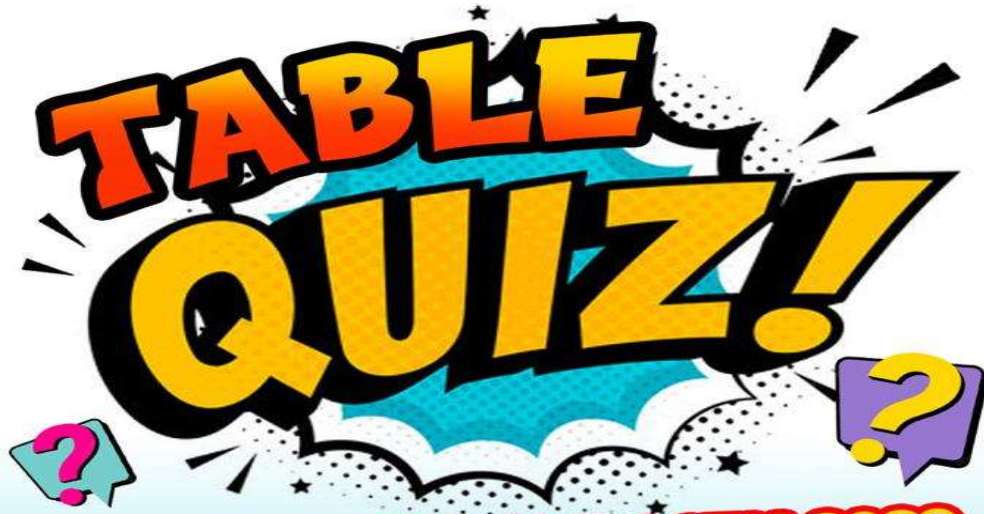
Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Programme

At University Hospital KERRY, 12-week modules involving education, supervision, faith formation and a clinical placement. January/May/September each year. For further information contact

Dr Margaret Naughton Email: margaret.naughton2@hse.ie Phone: 066 7184000

Table Quiz

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2023

RALLY FOR LIFE

Ireland's Annual March for the Right to Life

SATURDAY JULY 1ST DUBLIN

SATURDAY, JULY 1ST: BE THERE!

Join thousands at the **All-Ireland RALLY FOR LIFE** – as pro-life people from across the country join together to Stand for Life.

We're marching to demand the government acts on the heartbreaking abortion numbers - 8,500 abortions in 2022 alone. And to insist that the 3-day wait period which may save up to 1,000 babies a year be **RETAINED**. The Rally theme for 2023 sends a special message: **STOP ABORTING OUR FUTURE**.

RALLYFEST!

CELEBRATE LIFE AT THE RALLY FOR LIFE

We are excited to hold our first ever **RallyFest** - a full schedule of exciting events around the main Rally for Life march - a family-friendly day and time for pro-life people to be re-energised and join together: **BE THERE!**

Contact us:

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Tel: 01 8730465 (Rep. of Ireland) / 028 90278484 (N. Ireland)

For more info visit www.rallyforlife.net



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#StopAbortingOurFuture**



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