

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 18th - Sun. 19th July. 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat. 18th - Sun. 26th July

Sat. 18th July 7.00 pm Lil Burke, Shannon St., 3rd Anniv.

Sun. 19th July 11.30 am Tom Costello, Portlaoise Road, 1st Anniversary

Lorcan Fitzpatrick, Trumera Cross. 5th Anniv.

Martin Lalor, Snr. Trumera Martin Lalor, Jrn. Killiney

Mary Fitzpatrick, The Pole House, Clonadacasey 8th Anniv..

Mon. 20th July 10.00 am

Tues. 21st July 10.00 am

Wed. 22nd July 10.00 am

Thur. 23rd July 10.00 am

Fri. 24th July 10.00 am Confirmation Ceremony with Girls 6th Class Scoil Bhríde
Jozaf Bilicz - 1st Anniversary today.

Sat. 25th July 7.00 pm Sean Bernard Delaney, Dysartbeigh Month's Mind.
Martin Fitzpatrick - Patrick St., and Forest. 3rd Anniv.

Sun. 26th July 11.30 am Una Kelly, Main St., 5th Anniv.
Tom Lanham, Kiln Lane

We remember in our Prayers

People who are ill (and their families) in
Hospital or in their Homes.

Reopening Church of the Sacred Heart - Hollow Church

The Hollow Church will reopen for Public Worship on

Sun. 26th July. 9.00 am Allowing for social distancing, we will be able to accommodate a maximum of 45 people in the church for Mass. The Hollow Church will be prepared for reopening during the week - We would appreciate your help. Inside and outside clean-up needed. Don't leave it to others.

Mountrath Parish Lotto Resumes this Week

Lotto Tickets need to be returned by Wed. evening - Letterbox at Fr. P.J.'s house.

Lotto Draw will be held at Portlaoise Parish Centre on this Thursday evening - 23rd July. Because of restrictions imposed on us in March in an effort to slow down the spread of the Coronavirus - Covid-19 pandemic, the Lotto was put on hold on 19th March and has been lying dormant for the past 17 weeks. Nice to see that we are back in business again. If you have paid in advance - as many have - we will be taking up where we left off in March. Sincere thanks to all involved in Mountrath Parish Lotto - It is a vital source of Income for the Parish. Since it's inception 11 years ago, Mountrath Parish Lotto has contributed about half a million Euro to Parish Finances. Sincere thanks to the Operating Committee and Promoters. Sincere thanks too, to all who buy Lotto Tickets every week - you are the lifeline of Mountrath Parish Lotto. Thanks to Fr. P.J. - for allowing his home to be used as an operating base for the Lotto.

We badly need more help with the Lotto

Would you consider becoming a Lotto Promoter? - we would really appreciate your help and would love to hear from you. - Contact any one of the Committee or any of the Promoters - they will be happy to arm you with a book of Lotto tickets

Confirmation in Mountrath Parish

Because of restrictions imposed on us from 11th March of this year in an effort to slow down the spread of the Coronavirus - Covid-19 pandemic our Confirmation Ceremony which was arranged for Sat. 14th March was cancelled, literally at the last minute. Since Mountrath Church reopened for public worship, I have been exploring various possibilities as to how we could accommodate our children for the reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation, First Eucharist and Reconciliation, while observing the current Diocesan and Government Guidelines and regulations. Thankfully, restrictions, which were put in place in March have eased somewhat and there are now new possibilities - however limited - open to us. So it is with great joy that we announce that we will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation in St. Fintan's Parish Church with our 61 Candidates for Confirmation over the coming weeks.

Because we are restricted to a maximum of 100 in the church for Public Worship we will be spreading our Celebration of Confirmation over 5 separate Sessions - Fri. 24th July Thurs. 6th Aug. (2 Sessions 10 and 12 o'clock) Fri. 7th Aug. - Sat. 8th Aug. (10 am)