Laois Co. Co.

Notice to all Staff, Former Staff and their families

You are invited to attend the Annual Prayer Service in memory of deceased staff and members of Laois Co. Co. which will be held on

Tues. 14th November in the Council Chamber at 6.00 pm

Light refreshments will be served afterwards.

This year’s Service will be an Ecumenical Service and people of all faiths are most welcome to attend - Organised by Laois Co. Co. Social Club Committee

St. Fintan’s Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 4th - Sun. 5th Nov. 2017. 31st Sun. in Ordinary Time

Fr. Pat Hennessy (057) 8755 227 Fr. Joe (087) 2411 594

Parish Website [www.mountrathparish.ie](http://www.mountrathparish.ie) Email [jmbrophy2@gmail.com](mailto:jmbrophy2@gmail.com)

Mass Times - Anniversaries Sat. 4th - Sun. 12th Nov. 2017

Sat. 4th Nov. 7.00 pm Attracta Coyne, Late of Main St., 1st Anniv.

Sun. 5th Nov. 9.00 am (The Hollow Ch.) Kathleen and Tom Lanigan, Market Sq.

. 11.30 am Maria O’Rourke, Kiln Lane. Month’s Mind.

Mon. 6th Nov. 10.00 am William Dooley, Shannon St.,

Tues. 7th Nov. 10.00 am Mary Phyllis and Joseph Brophy, Woodbrook.

Wed. 8th Nov. 10.00 am Con and Rita Moloney, “Avondale” Portlaoise Road.

Thur. 9th Nov. 10.00 am John and Ann Mulhare, The Square.

Fri. 10th Nov. 10:00 am John and Mary O’Neill, Shannon St.,

Sat. 11th Nov.. . 7.00 pm Dr. Joan McCarthy, Rathgar, 1st Anniv. and McCarthy family.

Sun. 12th Nov. 9:00 am (Hollow Ch.) Martha and Richard Phelan.

. 11:30 am Mass of the People.

Cemetery Prayers

Our Annual Commemoration Ceremony will be in St. Fintan’s Cemetery, Mountrath on this Sunday (5th Nov) at 3.00 pm

We pray for Con and Rita Moloney, Avondale, Portlaoise Road, whose anniversaries are at this time. We pray for Brian Murphy, Ballyroan and Clonadacasey whose 2nd Anniversary is on Tues. 10th Nov.

1st Anniversary Masses Over Coming Weeks

Sat. 18th Nov. 7.00 pm James Kearney, Lr. Sconce

Sat. 25th Nov. 7.00 pm Pat McGrath, Shannon Road.

Sat. 2nd Dec. 7.00 pm James Fitzpatrick, Clonbarrow.

Sat. 9th Dec. 7.00 pm Alice Thompson, Trumera.

Sat. 16th Dec. 7.00 pm Denis Carroll, Shannon Rd.,

Sat. 23rd Dec. 7.00 pm Jack Kelly, St.. Fintan’s Tce.

Sat. 30th Dec. 7.00 pm William Deegan, Factory St.

Mountrath Parish Lotto

Thurs. 2nd Nov. 2017

Nos. Drawn 2 6 15 25 Jackpot € 20,000 - No Winner

9 Match 3 Each Rec. € 112

Next Week’s Jackpot € 20,000

Laois Hospice Public Meeting

Laois Hospice will hold a General Public Meeting on November 15th in the Killeshin Hotel at 8pm.

Guest Speaker on the night will be Olivia O’Leary, Journalist & Broadcaster.

All Welcome

Book Launch by Senator David Norris

“Let Your Life Speak”

Arts Centre, Mountmellick - Nov. 10th - All proceeds and sponsorship from sale of book will go to Mental Health group GROW. Money will be used to open a facility in Laois to help people struggling with mental health. “Let Your Life Speak” is written by Darren Conroy and will be launched by Senator David Norris. Should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Barbara Lalor 086-6629 446

Mountrath VDP

St Vincent de Paul will be having a C.P.R awareness day in the Bank of Ireland, Mountrath from 10.30am on Fri. 1st Dec.  Also on Friday the 1st and 2nd December will be having a promotional collection for food, toys, and donations at the entrance of Tesco’s Portlaoise.  We will be joined by members of the youth conference from Mountrath Community School.

We remember in our Prayers

People who are ill, at Home or in Hospital at this time.

### Mary Brennan (Nee Bradley) Chapel St., Mountmellick R.I.P. Formerly Castletown Road and Fr. O Connor Cresent, We pray for Mary who died peacefully in Midlands Regional Hosp., Portlaoise on Wed. 25th Oct. Mary’s Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fintan’s Church, Mountrath on Tues. 31st Oct. followed by burial in St. Fintan’s Cemetery, Mountrath. We extend sympathy to her brother Tony and family, to all her family – sons and daughter and all their families, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great great-grandchildren. -------- Josie Coss (née Peters) Main St., Castletown and Cashel, R.I.P. Formerly Fr. O’Connor Crescent. We pray for Josephine (Josie) who died peacefully at Midlands Regional Hosp, on Sat. 28th Oct. Josie’s Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Edmund’s Church, Castletown on Tues. 24th Oct. followed by burial in  Churchtown Cemetery, Castletown. We extend sympathy to all her family, relatives, neighbours and friends. ------------ Peggy Carroll (Mortimer) Garrafin, Camross, Mountrath, R.I.P. We pray for Peggy who died at her home on 1st Nov. Peggy’s Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fergal’s Church, Camross on Sat. 4th Nov. We extend sympathy to her husband Donal, children Carl and Eve, brothers John and Michael, sister Nora, extended family, relatives, neighbours and friends. ---------------- May Mary, Josie and Peggy rest in the peace of Christ

November Stations In Mountrath Parish

Tues. 14th Nov. Wed. 15th Nov. Thurs. 16th Nov.

Confessions at 7.00 pm Mass at 7.30 pm each evening

Golden Jubilee Book

Shanahoe Church

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If you would like to buy a copy of the recently published booklet to mark the Golden Jubilee of Shanahoe Church (€5) contact Tony Delaney

on 087 6858 081.

Mountrath Cottage Market

Every 1st Sat. 10 – 2

Macra Hall and Yard

Well worth a visit

Watch out for our 2 Special Christmas Dates

Homemade – Homegrown Handcrafted

Mountrath History Society

Are looking for very old photographs to do with Mountrath or any Club, Group, School etc.....in Mountrath. If you have any we would be most grateful as we may use some of them in our calendar this year,

please contact Pat @ 0877933250 or Lindsay @ 085 2739 338.

Thank you for your support.

*For Maria* Her Journey's Just Begun

Don't think of her as gone away   
Her journey's just begun,  
Life holds so many facets   
This earth is only one.  
  
Just think of her as resting  
From the sorrows and the tears  
In a place of warmth and comfort  
Where there are no days and years.  
  
Think how she must be wishing   
That we could know today  
How nothing but our sadness  
Can really pass away.   
  
And think of her as living  
In the hearts of those she touched...  
For nothing loved is ever lost   
And she is loved so much.

Christmas Concert

In

St. Fintan’s Church, Mountrath

Sun. 17th Dec. 2017.

Exact time to be confirmed

(4.00 pm or 5.00 pm)

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The New Irish Tenors

David O’Leary - Karl Scully

Michael McCorry Rose

With Girls and Boys from Scoil Brid and St. Fintan’s BNS

Tickets will be on Sale in

Carroll’s Cost Cutters, The Square

Centra, Main St.,

Emo Oil – Portlaoise Rd.,

Portlaoise Parish Centre



Prayer For Families

Lord,

We thank you for our family.

Bless each one of us

in our uniqueness and let us use

our gifts and talents

to ensure unity and love

within our family,

now and always.

Amen.

### Maria Bridget O'Rourke, Kiln Lane,  R.I.P. We pray for Maria who died peacefully on 1st October 2017, aged 31, after a short illness, bravely borne. Sadly missed by her two beautiful boys, her parents Sheila and Thomas, sisters Lillian and Elaine, family, relatives and friends. Maria’s Funeral Mass was celebrated on Tues. 3rd Oct. in St. Fintan's Church Mountrath, followed by burial in St. Fintan's Cemetery, Mountrath. We extend sympathy to her sons, Dylan and Jamie, parents, Sheila and Thomas, sisters, Lillian and Elaine and their families, relatives, neighbours and her many lovely friends. ------------------- Vincent Morton, Kiln Lane,  R.I.P. We pray for Vincent who died at Midlands Regional Hospital Portlaoise on 23rd October 2017. Vincent’s Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday 25th Oct. in St. Fintan’s Church, Mountrath followed by burial in St. Fintan's Cemetery Mountrath. We extend sympathy to sons, Seamus, Noel and Aiden, daughter Rosanna, sisters Agnes and Nora, and their families, relatives, neighbours and friends. ------------------------------ James Francis Cormac (Shay) McGovern*,* Portlaoise Road R.I.P. We pray for Shay who died peacefully at his home on Sun. 22nd Oct. A Memorial Mass to honour Shay’s life was celebrated on Saturday 28th October at St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath. We extend sympathy to, Bernadette, Siobhain and Tara and their families, relatives, neighbours and friends. ---------------------------------- Eileen Fitzpatrick (née Campion), Ballinakill and Mountrath. R.I.P. We pray for Eileen who died at her home on Sunday 29th October 2017. Eileen’s Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Brigid’s Church, Ballinakill on Tues. 31st Oct. followed by burial in St. Brigid’s Cemetery. We extend sympathy to her brother, Paddy Campion, Clonard and family, and to all her family, relatives neighbours and friends. --- ------------------------------- . Vincent Ryan – Formerly Patrick St., - Bermingham R.I.P. We pray for Vincent who died in Bermingham on Tues. 10th Oct. Vincent’s Funeral Mass was celebrated in Corpus Christi Church, Bermingham on Fri. 20th Oct followed by burial in New Oscott Cemetery, Hawthorn Brook Way, Bermingham. We extend sympathy to all his family, relatives and friends and to his family and his many friends here in Mountrath. May Maria, Vincent, Shay, Eileen and Vincent Rest in the peace of Christ.

A Thought

Dear Lord,

When I can’t find the right Words, Can you Please just listen to my heart

Mountrath / Ballyfin Parishes Confirmation Day

Next year Confirmation Ceremonies in both our Parishes are on the same day

Fri, 23rd Feb. 2018

Ceremonies at 11 am (Mountrath)

and 2 pm (Ballyfin)

Important Diary Dates

1st Holy Communion Dates

The Hollow Ch. Sun. 13th May 2018

Ballyfin Ch. Sun. 20th May 2018

Mountrath Ch. Sun. 27th May 2018

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1st Penance Dates

Ballyfin Church

Tues. 6th March 2018 7.00 pm

Mountrath Church

Wed. 7th March 2018 7.00 pm