

# St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Dec. Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2020. The Baptism of the Lord.  
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## Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> - Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2020

Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.00 pm William (Bill) Gillman, Woodbrook. – 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv. today  
Sun. 12<sup>th</sup> Jan. 9.00 am (The Hollow Ch)  
11.30 am  
Mon. 13<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.00 am Elizabeth and John Lowry, Leighlinbridge Parish.  
Tues. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. 11.00 am Archie Reaside, Shannon Rd., Funeral Mass  
Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.00 am  
Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.00 am  
Fri. 17<sup>th</sup> Jan. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead  
Sat. 18<sup>th</sup> Jan. 7.00 pm George and Alice Tobin, Formerly Woodbrook.  
Sun. 19<sup>th</sup> Jan. 9.00 am (The Hollow Ch)  
11.30 am

Tues. 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes - World Day of the Sick - Mass at 10.00 am. We will have the anointing of the Sick during Mass – or we will visit your home – do let us know

### We remember in our Prayers

People who are ill (and their families) in Hospital or in their Homes, at this time.

## Andrew (Andy) Sinnott, Lr. Sconce, (Formerly Baltinglass) R.I.P.

on Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> Jan. Andy's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath on Sat. 11<sup>th</sup> Jan. followed by burial in Mountrath Cemetery. We extend sympathy to wife, Sheila and all the Sinnott family, his brother, Bill (Shannon Rd.) and his family. His sister, Mary (Lowry) and family, all Andy's extended family, relatives, neighbours and a very wide circle of friends.

## Archie Reaside, Shannon Rd, (Formerly Drimnagh) R.I.P.

We pray for Archie who died peacefully at Regional Hosp., Portlaoise on Thurs. 9<sup>th</sup> Jan. Archie's Funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath on Tues. 14<sup>th</sup> Jan. at 11 o'clock - followed by burial in Mountrath Cemetery. We keep his family in our prayers at this time. Archie served in the Congo with the UN in the 1960's - Was President of the UN Veterans Association Post No. 27 Portlaoise.

*May Andy and Archie rest in the peace of Christ.*

## "You Shall Be My Witness"

Training for the parent leaders for the "You Shall Be My Witness" Confirmation Programme takes place in Ballyfin National School on Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> January commencing at 7.00 pm All parents who have committed themselves for this training programme are required to attend this training meeting.

## Mountrath Christmas Lights Committee

are holding their AGM on Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> Jan. at 7:30pm in St. Fintan's Hall, Mountrath. As present committee are retiring, a new committee is to be formed. All are very welcome

## Community Well being Vision being Developed in Laois

Laois PPN are delighted to be rolling out a new National Initiative on Community wellbeing. The PPN is bringing together social inclusion, environment and community development voices in our communities to develop a Wellbeing Vision Statement that sets out their shared vision for County Laois. Feed into this important vision for your area by starting a conversation and attending a public meeting on Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> March in the Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise at 7:00pm. For further information or to register your interest in attending please contact Laois PPN on [ppn@laoiscoco.ie](mailto:ppn@laoiscoco.ie) or 057-8665661

## Mountrath Historical Society

AGM takes place on Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> Jan. at 6.15pm in Mountrath Library. All new members are welcome from Mountrath and surrounding areas.

## Parish Visitation for Jan.

Mountrath Country Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Jan.  
Mountrath Town Wed. 15<sup>th</sup> Jan.  
Ballyfin Parish Thurs. 16<sup>th</sup> Jan.

## St. Paul's Sunday Missal

For 2020 Year A  
A Copy of the New Missal is still available for all Readers (Proclaimers of the Word) (They're on the altar rails)

## Pioneer Total Abstinence Association

Sincere Thanks to all who contributed to Mountrath / Ballyfin Pioneer Church Gate Collections last weekend.  
Many thanks also to our Collectors.

## Mountrath Parish Lotto

Nos. Drawn 10 14 20 25  
No Jackpot Winner  
12 Match 3 - Each Rec. €84  
1 Local Winner  
Mary Quinn Promoter Mary Arthur  
Next Week's Jackpot €20,000

9<sup>th</sup> Jan. 2020

## Thank You

Many thanks to all involved in our Christmas liturgies - Sacristans (and their families) Readers, Ministers of Holy Communion, Servers, Collectors, Musicians and Choirs, People who erected the Christmas Tree, put up the decorations and put up the Crib, people who cleaned and prepared our churches for Christmas, Co-ordinators - Thank you for your involvement and participation in our Liturgies. You make it all worthwhile. Hope you found our liturgies prayerful and meaningful. Wishing you every Grace and Blessing as we enter a New Year with renewed vigour and hope.

*Fr. P.J. and Fr. Joe*