

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 27th – Sun. 28th Dec. Feast of the Holy Family

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Name of Parish App. *Mountrath and Ballyfin Parishes*

Mass Times –Anniversaries Sat. 27th Dec - Tues. 6th Jan

Mass times as listed below are for Mountrath Church unless otherwise indicated

Sat. 27th Dec. 7.00 pm Peter Delaney, Clonard 10th Anniv.

Thomas, John and Mary Grehan

Michael, Brigid and Jim O'Rourke.

Sun. 28th Dec. **Feast of Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

9.00 am **The Hollow Ch.**, Michael Seale, Clonadacasey 11th Anniv.

11.30 am Pat. Kavanagh, Kilbricken R.I.P. Funeral Mass

Martin Dunne, Trumera, 8th Anniv.

Tues. 30th Dec. 10.00 am

Wed. 31st Dec. 10.00 am

Thurs. 1st Jan. 10.00 am **New Year's Day.**

Feast of Mary, Mother of God

Fri. 2nd Jan. 10.00 am 1st – 1st Friday of 2026.

Sat. 3rd Jan. 7.00 pm Martin Mulhall, Derrough, 2nd Anniv.

James and Kate Fitzpatrick and deceased members of Fitzpatrick Family, Forest

Sun. 4th Jan. 9.00 am **The Hollow Church**

11.30 am Patsy Conroy, Redcastle. Month's Mind

Tom Fitzpatrick, Derrylusk. 8th Anniv.

Mon. 5th Jan. 7.00 pm Vigil Mass for Feast of Epiphany.

Tues. 6th Jan. 10.00 am **Feast of Epiphany** Mountrath Ch.

1st Anniversary Mass Remembrances

Sat. 10th Jan. 7.00 pm Richard Maybury, Fr. O'Connor Cresc.

Sun. 11th Jan. 11.30 am John McDermott, Trumera.

I wish to extend my very sincere appreciation to you for your loyal and most generous support of Mountrath Parish Lotto and Mountrath Parish Collections throughout the year. Your generous support is deeply appreciated. *Fr. Joe - Parish Priest.*

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke Peter Byrne

Mountrath Parish. Caroline Moore Pacelli Walsh

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Best Wishes to you, your family and your loved ones, for a Happy, Peaceful And wholesome New Year

Moirity Delaney, Woodview, Lacca. R.I.P.

We pray for Moirty who died unexpectedly at Portlaoise Reg. Hosp., on Fri. 19th Dec. Moirty's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fergal's Church, Camross on Christmas Eve (Wed. 24th Dec) followed by burial in adjoining Cemetery. We extend sympathy to parents Martin and Carol (nee Dunne, Catholes), son Martin, brothers Colin, Adrian and Gavin, sisters Emma (Cole), Edel (Jackson) (Derrough) and Áine and their families, nephews, nieces, aunts, uncles, and their families, cousins, extended family, relatives, neighbours and friends. We extend sympathy to his aunt, Heather and her husband Pat (Mortimer) and family, Shannon St., and to all the Dunne and Delaney families.

May Moirty rest in the peace of Christ.

Thank You A very special note of thanks to all involved in our various and enriching Ministries here at Mountrath Church, throughout the year. Servers, Readers (Proclaimers of the Word) - Ministers of Holy Communion - Collectors - Church Cleaners - Pauric. Ministries co-ordinators, Geraldine and Paulo, Musicians, Organists, Singers, Choirs and coordinators and all who enhance our celebration of the Eucharist and liturgies here in Mountrath Parish. Thanks to Geraldine, Niamh and Pauric and everyone who helped with the preparation and decoration of the Christmas Tree and Christmas Crib, and indeed all the other decorations, Imelda, for her beautiful flower arrangements (as always) Organists, musicians and our lovely choirs, members of Mountrath CE Scheme, Servers and thanks to all who helped with all our Christmas preparations inside and outside. Thanks to the people who supplied our beautiful Christmas wreaths.

Please know that your help and co-operation is very greatly acknowledged and much appreciated.

New Year Blessing Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we stand on the threshold of this New Year, we come before You with grateful hearts. Thank You for the blessings of the past year, for the lessons learned, and for Your unwavering presence in our lives.

As we enter this new season, we ask for Your guidance and wisdom. Illuminate our paths and help us to make choices that align with Your will. May we embrace new beginnings with faith, leaving behind any burdens or regrets from the past. Lord, we seek renewal in our spirit and strength to face the challenges ahead. Fill our hearts with hope and joy, and let us be instruments of Your love and peace in the world. May this year be marked by growth, purpose, and a deeper relationship with You.

We trust in Your plans for us, knowing they are for our good. Help us to walk in faith, to seek Your kingdom first, and to share Your blessings with others. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

Mountrath Parish Lotto Next Draw Thurs. 8th Jan.

Jackpot € 11,000

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