Mass Times – Anniversaries Sat. 2nd – Sun. 10th Oct.

Sat. 2nd Oct. 7.00 pm   Anton Heffernan, Ringstown. 3rd Anniv
                             Anton's grandfather, Joseph Fitzpatrick, Clonin. (Died 1st Oct)
                             Paddy Carroll, St. Fintan's Tce. 13th Anniv.

Sun 3rd Oct. 9.00 am   The Hollow Church
                             1st Holy Communion with children of Gael Scoil Thromaire

              11.30 am   Mary (Marie) Williams (Nee Phelan) Moanbawn, Month's Mind
                             Joseph (Joe) Delaney, Shannon St., (Marino) 1st Anniv.
                             Maria O'Rourke, Kiln Lane. 4th Anniv.
                             Kevin O'Rourke, Stillbrook. 14th Anniv.

Mon. 4th Oct. 10.00 am Mick Quaid Dunne and sister, Maggie Fitzpatrick
Tues 5th Oct 10.00 am John Finlay, Clondouglas.
Wed. 6th Oct 10.00 am
Thur. 7th Oct. 10.00 am
Fri. 8th Oct. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.
Sat. 9th Oct. 7.00 pm
Sun. 10th Oct. 9.00 am   The Hollow Church
              11.30 am   Pat Thompson, Dublin. Formerly Trumera. 2nd Anniv.
                             Michael (Mick) O'Brien, Fr. O'Connor Cresc. 14th Anniv.

We remember in our Prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill – at home, in Hospital or in a Nursing Home at this time

Safeguarding Children Parish Representatives

Mountrath Pari. Caroline Moore and Pachelli Walsh
Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person:
Ms. Kathleen Sherry
Deputy Diocesan Liaison - Ms Michelle Hughes
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Mountrath Parish Lotto 30th S

Nos. Drawn 5 7 30 32
No Winner of €20,000 Jackpot.
New Jackpot €20,000
4 Match 3 Rec. € 250 each
1 Local Winner
Luke Winters – Promoter David Tobin

Final Celebration of 1st Holy Communion in Ballyfin Parish

Ceremony of 1st Holy Communion in St. Fintan's Church, Ballyfin with children of Barnashrone and Ballyfin Schools.   - Sun. 3rd October - 2.00 pm

A Note From Bishop Denis' Office
Ref. - Pope John Paul 2 Awards

A virtual Pope John Paul 2 award ceremony will take place on Wed. 13th Oct.at 7.30pm. Streamed live from the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow via www.icatholic.ie
This year marks the twelfth annual Pope John Paul II Award Ceremony in our Diocese. Regrettably, we are not in a position to gather as a diocesan family to celebrate the achievement of our young people across our Diocese. Therefore, medals and certificates will be presented at parish level this year. Bishop Denis Nulty will virtually address the 300+ recipients live from the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow. The live stream of the ceremony will also be available afterwards on the iCatholic website and the iCatholic Player app.   For more information Cathriona Kelly - cathriona.kelly@kandle.ie

Day for Life - Sunday 3 October 2021

This year's Day for Life is celebrated on this Sun. 3rd Oct. on the theme 'The Good Samaritan: A Model of Compassion'. Day for Life is celebrated annually by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales as a day dedicated to raising awareness of the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

Our approach to end of life care is well articulated in the recent Vatican document *Samaritanus bonus* on the care of persons in the critical and terminal phases of life. In that document we are reminded that Jesus gave us the image of the good Samaritan as the model for our compassion and our solidarity with those who find themselves vulnerable and who fear being abandoned in their final illness. The Good Samaritan is one who "crosses over", who "binds up wounds" and who, most important of all "stays with" the person for as long as is required.

The attitude of Jesus towards the sick and towards those who are in any way marginalised, has much to teach us about the value of time spent caring for one another. Many of us, at times, are called to be carers in our own circle of family and friends. Others may find it possible to care for the carers. The bonds of friendship and solidarity that are developed and strengthened in caring relationships, extend beyond the carer and the one who is cared for to the whole of society.