

St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath

Sat. 29th Sun. 30th March 4th Sunday of Lent

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Name of Parish App. *Mountrath and Ballyfin Parishes*

Mass Times –Anniversaries Sat. 29th Mch - Sun 6th Apr

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

Sat. 29th Mch. 7.00 pm Denis Hetherington, Woodbrook (15th Anniv)
Donal Murphy, Ringstown. 30th Anniv.

Summer Time Begins tonight.

Sun. 30th Mch. 9.00 am *The Hollow Church*

Ann Heffernan, Clonkeen.

11.30 am Jack Sinnott, New Line Close 11th Anniv.

Paddy Sinnott, New Line Close, 13th Anniv.

Tues. 1st Apr. 10.00 am Pope St. John Paul 2nd was aged 84 years.

Wed. 2nd Apr. 10.00 am Today marks the 20th Anniv. of the death of

Pope St. John Paul 2nd

Thur. 3rd Apr. 10.00 am

Fri. 4th Apr. 10.00 am Altar List of the Dead.

Sat. 5th Apr. 7.00 pm Noel Russell, Patrick St.,

Sun. 6th Apr. 9.00 am *The Hollow Church.* 5th Sunday of Lent

11.30 am 5th Sunday of Lent

John Holland, Trumera.

24 Hours for the Lord

Four Parishes in the Diocese have agreed to Host - 24 Hours with the Lord Carlow Cathedral - Cill Mhuire, Newbridge

Portlaoise Parish Church Commencing at 10.00 am on Fri. 28th Mch Finishing at 10.00 am Sat. morning

Portarlinton Parish Church (Supported by local Parishes)

For Full Details regarding times and events see Online Newsletter.

24 hours with the Lord is a worldwide event begun in 2014 by Pope

Francis to encourage extended periods of Eucharistic Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament as well as the Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation. It offers us an opportunity during this Lenten Season to give some time to the Lord.

*Lord, for your
faithful people,
Life is changed,
Not ended.*

*We keep and hold in our Thoughts and
Prayers,*

*People, their families and carers, who are
ill – at home, in Hospital or Nursing Home
or undergoing any surgical or medical
procedures at this time. – we wish you a
speedy recovery*

Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke Peter Byrne

Mountrath Parish. Caroline Moore Pacelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms. Ailish Higgins.

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michelle Hughes c/o

Bishop's Hse, Dublin Rd, Carlow Phone 085 802 1633

Betty Moore (nee Hanlon) Ballycleary, Castletown. R.I.P.

We pray for Betty who died peacefully at Midlands Regional Hosp., Portlaoise on Fri. 21st March. Betty's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Edmund's Church, Castletown on Mon. 24th March followed by burial in Churchtown Cemetery. We extend sympathy to Sinead and Jim, grandchildren Méibh, David, Erin and Darcey, and their families, sisters and brothers, Mary, Breda, Bernie and Trisha, Eamon, Paddy and Danny and their families, nieces and nephews and their families, extended family, relatives, neighbours and friends. *May Betty rest in the peace of Christ.*

A Note from Bishop Denis' Desk

As we draw closer to Holy Week, I request you hold a special collection on Good Friday to support the struggling Christian Community in the Holy Land. It is our response to "the cry of those who suffering so much". The ceasefire has ended and Christians, like all communities there, are under serious attack and constant danger. In the words of Pope Francis in a letter to the Catholics of the Middle East (7 October 2024) "you, brothers and sisters in Christ who dwell in the lands of which scriptures speak most often, are a small, defenceless flock, thirsting for peace. Thank you for what you are, thank you for wanting to remain in your lands, thank you for being able to pray and love despite everything".

The collection, which I encourage you to have should take place on Good Friday. It is supported by the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Ireland, and when it's forwarded to Bishop's House it will be sent to the Order of Friars Minor Holy Land Account for distribution.

Brigidine Convents Annual Past Pupils Dinner

Sunday 27th April in the Midlands Park Hotel, Portlaoise at 12.45pm for the Past Pupils of Abbeyleix, Mountrath, Tullow & Goresbridge.

Cost €50 and booking to be made before Thursday 17th April. Contact Dolores 087 414 8093 to book. Please copy and like and share on Social Media to spread the word.

Mountrath Parish Lotto

Thurs. 27th March

Numbers Drawn 2 7 11 22

No € 15,000 Jackpot Winner

27 Match 3 Winners Rec. € 38 ea.

3 Local Winners

Mary Costello Winner (and Promoter)

Ann Lanham Winner (and Promoter)

Jenny Duggan. Promoter Betty Tynan

Next Week's Jackpot €16,000

CLASS OF 1990 PRESENTS Bloom HQ Mountrath

QUIZ

THURSDAY 1ST MAY STARTS @8PM SHARP

€10 per person - Table of 4
All proceeds go to the Class of 1990 Restoration Project

SPECIAL QUIZ WITH TROPHIES FOR 1ST, 2ND & 3RD WINNERS

Monster raffle on the night !!

