Mountrath Ballyfin Onling Newsletter

24th March 2024 Palm (Passion) Sunday

Holy Week An Seachtain Mór

Ballyfin

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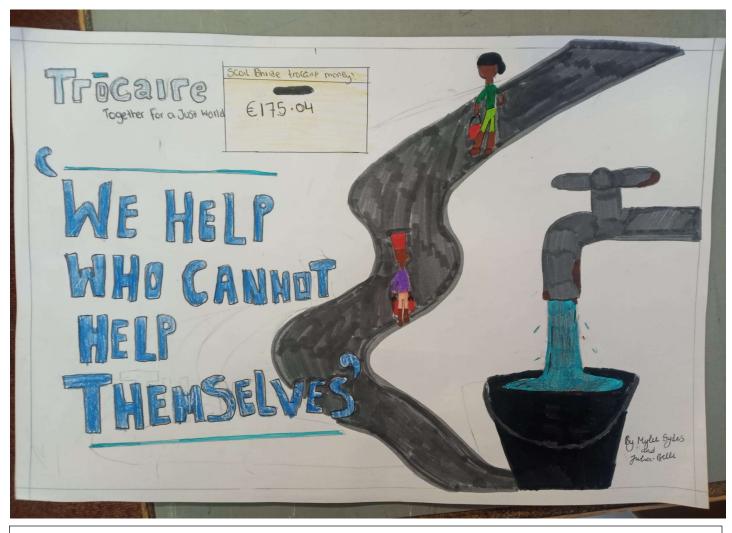
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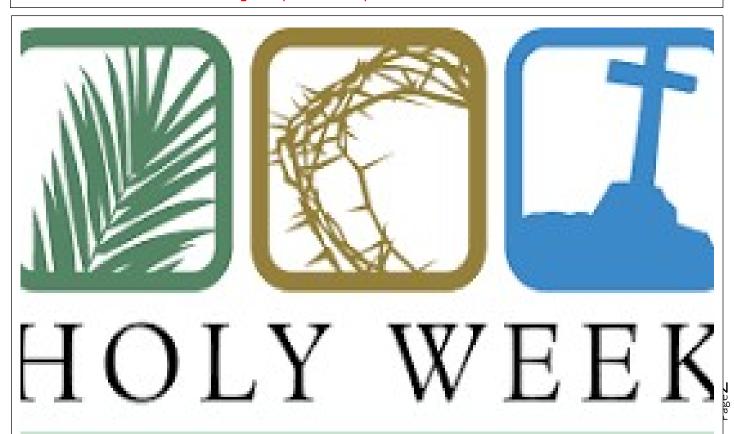
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Trócáire Poster designed by Julia and Mylee of 6th Class, Scoil Bhride, Mountrath







A Unique Opportunity

to train to Level 8 (RoI)/Level 6 (UK) as a Specialist Couple Therapist

Accord CLG is recruiting experienced practitioners to train in the specialism of Couple Therapy.

Successful applicants will follow a 16 day Certificate programme which will provide: the clinical skills essential to couples work; in depth knowledge relating to the handling of Infidelity, Trauma, Addiction, Neurodiversity, Physical & Mental Illness & Disability, Sex and Intimacy, Stepfamily Dynamics, Diversity, Parenting Issues, the Impacts of Family of Origin, and Domestic Abuse in the couple context; self awareness exercises specific to the needs of the couple and relationship therapist Course fees paid and placement provided by Accord CLG

Interested? Do you have:

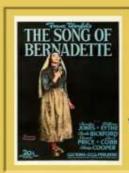
- Level 5 (UK)/Level 7 (RoI) qualification in Counselling/ Psychotherapy?
- Substantial experience of working in the Person-Centred style?
- 100 client counselling hours post-graduation?
- A current supervised caseload?

If you can answer **yes** to **all four** questions above, please contact us for further information about this unique Couple Therapy training package.

info@accord.ie

Final date for receipt of applications 03/05/2024

Have you got your GOLDEN TICKET?



Cinema Night

in aid of

RADIO MARIA

IRELAND I

Date: Tuesday 16th April Venue: Balcony Cinema Mountmellick

Eircode: R23WP68 Time: 8:15 pm

Cost: €10

Doors open at 8:00pm

Limited places- Booking only with Antoinette on 0860803047

(9:15am-1:30pm & 7:00pm-9:00pm)

Cinema Night

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Showing the classic film: The Song for Bernadette

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Mountrath Ballyfin Parish News 24th March '24

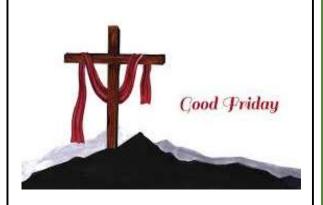
St. Fintan's Parish, Mountrath - Ballyfin

Palm – (Passion) Sunday

Outdoor Stations of the Cross

Each Good Friday we alternate our interfaith outdoor Stations of the Cross and this year we commence at Church of the Sacred Heart, The Hollow and conclude at St. Matthew's Church, Roskelton. - We will be leaving the Hollow Church at 10.00 am

You are most welcome to join us for all or part of this way of the Cross on Good Friday.



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Laois Litter Clean Up Week

Ballyfin Community Alert have registered to take part in Clean Up Week. Contact Sheila on 086 1570145 for bags, gloves and pickers. Please note the new location for bags of litter is in the yard at the back of the Deadmans Inn.

Ballyfin Community Alert Seniors Alert Scheme

Grant aided personal 24/7 personal monitored alarms help people aged 65 and over to live securely in their homes with peace of mind. If you know a family member, friend or neighbour in Ballyfin or Laois area who may qualify please contact Sheila on 086 1570145 for information/application form.

Arranging Anniversary Mass or Month's Mind Mass

The traditional way of arranging an Anniversary Mass remembrance was by visiting the Sacristy before or after Mass and making the necessary arrangement with the priest, who wrote the intention into the Anniversaries Diary, there and then.

However, since Covid this practice has changed.

Arrangements for Anniversary Mass remembrances and Month's Mind Masses are, more often than not, now arranged by email, text message, whatsapp, by phone, among many other ways. Which is great.

On the down-side, it can be quiet difficult to keep track of all these ways. Sometimes emails can go to folders on the computer other than the main folder and
are not seen straight away. The same can apply to text messages and Whatsapp.
messages. This can cause a problem when I have no knowledge of these emails /
messages coming in and are sometimes not detected at the time.

Can lask you -

if you send me an email, text message or a message on Whatsapp, or any way, other than visiting the Sacristy, requesting an Anniversary Mass remembrance or arrangements for a Month's Mind Mass and don't hear from me or don't see the relevant name / names in the Newsletter, please give me a call on 087 241 1594

Josephine (Mary Jo) Grehan (née Higginbotham) Derrylusk - Wexford R.I.P.

We pray for Josephine (Mary Jo) who died peacefully on Sun. 17th March, at Regional Hosp., Portlaoise. Josephine's Funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Fintan's Church, Mountrath on Thurs. 21st March followed by burial in Mountrath Cemetery. We extend sympathy to Patrick, Michael, Martin, Noel, Jimmy, Tony, Margaret, Mary, Lisa, Tina and their families. grandchildren, great-grandchildren, extended family, relatives, neighbours and friends.

May Josephine (Mary Jo) rest in the peace of Christ.

Ballyfin Vintage and Veteran Club, Auto-Jumble

Sunday 14th. April 2024, from 8:00am.

Community Hall, Ballyfin, County Laois.

Strictly vintage, veteran & artisanal related stalls & traders.

Pre-registration and approval for stalls required.

Proceeds in support of local charities

For queries or information on the Ballyfin Vintage & Veteran Club,

please message, text or call 0863101822.

Director of Parish Development

This position is now being advertised, with a deadline of 25 March. Job description and information on how to apply can be found on www.kandle.ie.

A very sincere thank you - to you and your family - for your very generous support of and continued commitment to Mountrath and Ballyfin Parish and Mountrath and Ballyfin Lotto

See our Parish App. Mountrath Ballyfin Parishes

Ceremony of Confirmation Fri. 26h April

Ceremony in Mountrath Church 11.00 am Ceremony in Ballyfin Church 2.30 pm

Bishop Denis will lead us in both Ceremonies

1st Holy Communion Days

Sun. 19th May 2.00 pm Sun. 26th May 2.00 pm

Fr. Liam Lawton's New Mass "Mass of St. Brigid"

Will be sung at the Chrism Mass this year (Cathedral, Mon. 25th March) Rehearsals for Chrism Mass Will be on the following dates Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Portlaoise Mon. 11th March - 8.00 pm Carlow Cathedral Thurs. 14th March 8.15 pm

Please let Christine in FDS know if you plan to attend and indicate which venue, by phoning 059-9164084 or emailing fds@kandle.ie.

We Hold and Keep in our Thoughts and Prayers

People, their families and carers, who are ill or unwell – at home, in hospital or Nursing Home or undergoing any surgical or medical procedures.
We wish them a speedy recovery

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Safeguarding Children Parish Reps.

Ballyfin Parish Triona O'Rourke and Peter Byrne

Mountrath Parish Caroline Moore and Pachelli Walsh

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms. Ailish Higgins.

Deputy Diocesan Liaison Person: Ms Michelle Hughes,

c/o Bishop's House, Dublin Rd, Carlow Ph: 085 802 163





Ballyfin Anniversaries

Mass Times Anniversaries

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Joe Conroy, Wicklow Town (Formerly Ballylusk) Month's Mind

Alan Price, Templeogue. 6th Anniv.

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Lord, for your faithful people,

life is changed,

not ended

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Month's Mind Mass

Sat. 6th April 7.00 pm Phil Ryan (Nee Connolly) Patrick St.,

1st Anniversary Mass

Sat. 6th April 7.00 pm Peg Maguire (Nee Patterson) New Line Rd.,

"Do This in Memory" Programme

- 6. Sat. 13th Apr. Mountrath Church 7.00 pm Sun. 14th Apr. . Ballyfin Church 10.00 am
- Sat. 4th May Mountrath Church 7.00 pm
 Sun. 5th May Ballyfin Church 10.00 am

Dates for Celebration of 1st Holy Communion

Sun. 5th May The Hollow Church 9.00 am

With Children of Gaelscoil Thromaire

Sun.26th May Mountrath Church - 11.30 am

With Children of all Mountrath Schools -- Note Change of Date

Sun. 19th May Ballyfin Church 2.00 pm

With children of Ballyfin National School

Sun. 26th May Ballyfin Church 2.00 pm With Children of Barnashrone National School

Mountrath Parish Lotto

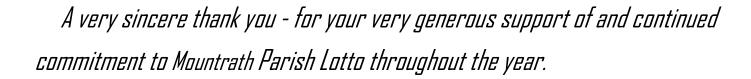
21st March

Nos. Drawn 9 21 24 31

I Jackpot Winner of £ 17,000 (Portlaoise Parish)

7 Match 3 Winners Rec. € 143 each

New Jackpot € 10,000



Ballyfin Parish Lotto

20th Mch.

Nos. Drawn 7 13 18 31

No Jackpot Winner

13 Match 3 Winners Rec. € 77 ea.

1 Local Winner - Sheila Bennett

Promoter, Kathleen Dunne

Next Week's Jackpot € 11,000



A very sincere thank you for your very generous support of and continued commitment to Mountrath and Ballyfin Parish Lottos



Next Week's



Ballyfin € 11,000 Mountrath € 10,000

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A Note from Edel Moloney, Supervisor, Mountrath CE Scheme

We have the following upcoming vacancies:

Caretaker - MYT - Mountrath CES 2308848

Caretaker - GAA - CES 2301698

Env Worker - Mountrath Town - CES 2254234

Env Worker - Castletown Village - CES 2268516

Shop Assistant - Vincents Mountrath - CES 2315874

Hours 19.5 hours per week.

Application Details:

Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to people who are 21 years or over and in receipt of a qualifying social welfare payment for 1 yr. or more or 18 years and over for certain disadvantaged groups. Eligibility will have to be verified by the Department.

You can register your interest by selection "Register your interest" on JobsIreland.ie, or you can contact a case officer in your local Intreo Centre quoting the relevant reference number above.

You can also call into our office on Patrick St, Mountrath or email mrtacpecoltd@gmail.com

Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu/BJJ in Mountrath





Thinking about learning self-defence and the Art of Jiu-Jitsu? A sport that suits all ages from 8 years.

- *mobility improvement
- *improve full body strength
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- *improves flexibility



Wednesdays

Kids 7-8 pm Teens / Adults 8-9 pm

Saturdays

Kids 10- 11 am Teens / Adults 11 am -12 pm €5 per class for under 18's €7 per class for Adults or included in Monthly Membership

8 yrs- 18 €35 per month Adults €45 per month

Bring a Friend for Free in March

contact Jamie 085 200 2497











Zumba





St Philomena's Hall, Bloomhq, Mountrath R32 DC58

Bookings <u>www.fitandjoy.ie</u> for more information contact Joanna on 0894653938





Classes for Secondary School aged teens in Mountrath Health & Fitness Academy





Karate

Mondays & Thursdays 7 pm €6 per class

Sensei Donal: 087 760 7063

Kickboxing

First trial class free

Fridays 7.30-8.30 pm €7

Shane: 086 339 9287



Brazilian Jiu-jitsu*

Wednesdays 8-9 pm & Saturdays 11-12 am € 35 per month or €5 per class
Jamie; 085 200 2497

Violin



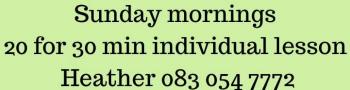
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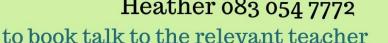


Trad Music



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Mondays & Thursdays 7 pm from 6 years up, €6 per class Sensei Donal: 087 760 7063

Fridays 5.30 pm 3-7 years, €7 Kickboxing 6.30 pm 8-12 years, €7

Shane: 086 339 9287

First trial class free



8-12 years,

Brazilian Wednesdays 7-8 pm & Saturdays 10-11 am

Jiu-jitsu* € 35 per month or €5 per class

Jamie; 085 200 2497



Art & Craft

Wednesdays 5-6 pm, 7-12 years € 30 for block of 6 classes Rhiannon: 089 211 5183

Thursdays 3.30 pm on. From 3 years - adult €20 for 30 min individual lesson

Irene: 089 981 8065

Violin

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Sunday mornings €20 for 30 min individual lesson Heather 083 054 7772

to book talk to the relevant teacher







March-April 2023 TIMETABLE

Monday

11 am Mature Movers 7 pm Mixed Circuit Training 7 pm Karate*

7 pm Yoga*

Tuesday

10 am Beginner TRX 11 am Bowls Inc. 1.15 pm Lunchtime Hitt 7.30 pm Zumba *

Wednesday

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8-9 pm BJJ (13+)

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Saturday

9 am Circuit Training 10-11 am BJJ (8-12) 11 am BJJ (13+)

PAYG and Members Always Welcome *These

classes are not included in membership fee









Mature Movers





Strength
Flexibility 50 + gym classesBalance
a bit of Endurance
& Lots of Fun

6 weeks starting Wed 6th March

Mondays & Wednesdays 11 am

45 min classes in Mountrath

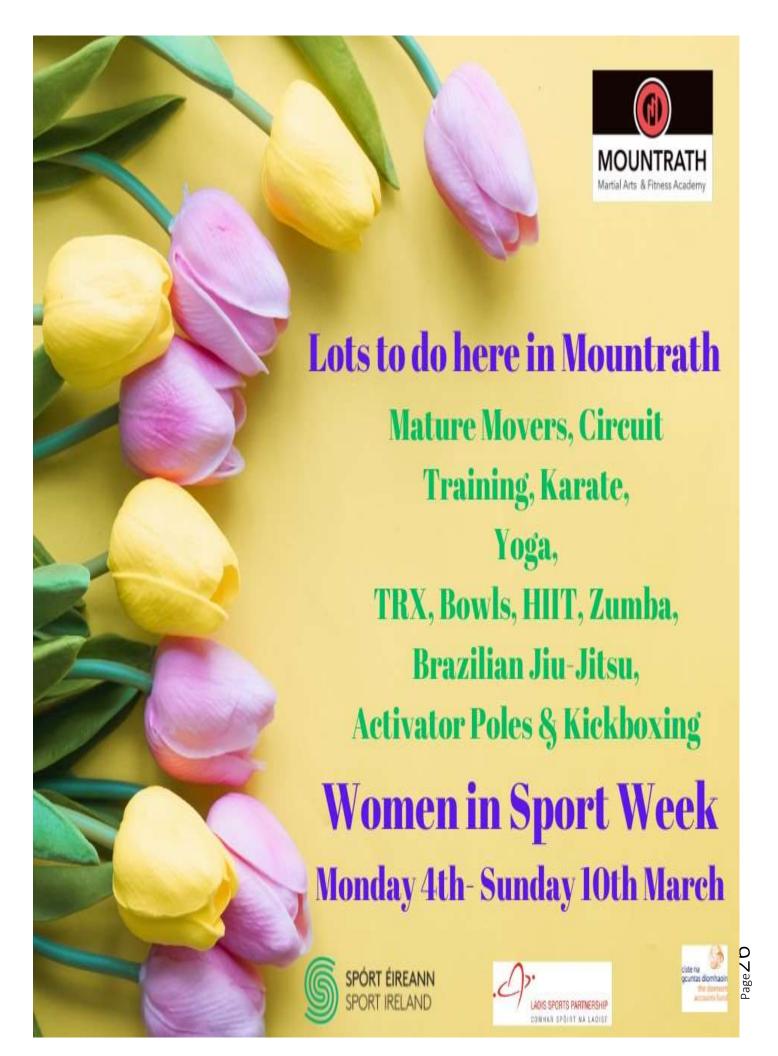
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€ 7 PAYG or part of your monthly membership



contact 086 3262 570

The Old Convent, Patrick St, Mountrath, R32 DC58







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Violin Lessons

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iramos.violinstudio@gmail.com

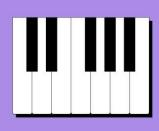
Thursdays



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Sundays



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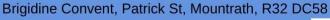
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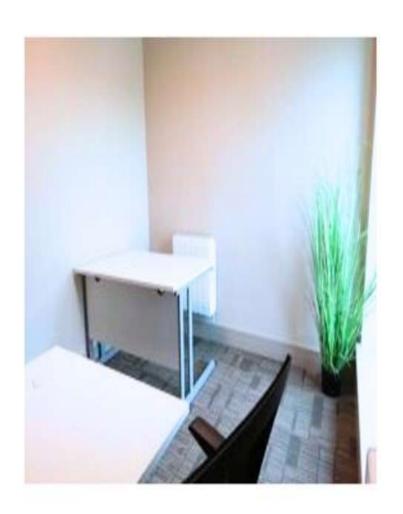






1 - 2 person offices for rent in our Social Enterprise centre in Mountrath





Arts & Craft Classes



Second block of

6 week program starting 28th February

at the later time of Wednesdays 6-7 pm



7-12 year olds

- *life drawing
- *painting
- *clay
- *print making
- *textile art

contact Rhiannon 089 211 5183





Brigidine Convent, Patrick St, Mountrath R32 DT9F





Piano Classes Available

Starting Sunday April 7th BloomHQ Mountrath Contact Heather 083 054 7772





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iramos.violinstudio@gmail.com
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Mountrath Music Rooms



Contact 089 272 2885 or 057 930 0036

- *Soundproof rooms
- *From € 15 per hour
- *Perfect for music lessons, counselling or grinds
- *free easy car park
- *Waiting space

Brigidine Convent, Patrick St, Mountrath R32 DT9F



Unislim

Join Today!



Wednesdays 7-8pm

Class Talk 8pm

New members always welcome

9 stone weight loss



Mairead McCaul Unislim Member

Join Unislim for €25
Pay €12 weekly fee thereafter











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Book online at https://mountrathgym.squarespace.com/memberships/kidsartcraft



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Music Teachers wanted



for Mountrath Music School *soundproof rooms

*free parking

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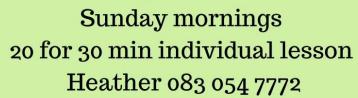
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Mondays & Thursdays 7 pm from 6 years up, €6 per class Sensei Donal: 087 760 7063

Kickboxing 6.30 pm 8-12 years, €7

Fridays 5.30 pm 3-7 years, €7

Shane: 086 339 9287

First trial class free



8-12 years,

Wednesdays 7-8 pm & Saturdays 10-11 am

Jiu-jitsu* € 35 per month or €5 per class

Jamie; 085 200 2497



Art & Craft

Wednesdays 5-6 pm, 7-12 years € 30 for block of 6 classes Rhiannon: 089 211 5183

Thursdays 3.30 pm on. From 3 years - adult €20 for 30 min individual lesson Violin

Irene: 089 981 8065

Trad Music





Sunday mornings €20 for 30 min individual lesson Heather 083 054 7772

to book talk to the relevant teacher









Roadcraft Motorcycle Training

Mick Smith is teaching the new

RSA approved Motorcycle Initial Basic Training (IBT)

here in BloomHQ, the old Convent Mountrath.

For more details and to book see:

www.roadcraft.ie

www.facebook.com/roadcraft.ie



Music Teachers wanted



for Mountrath Music School
*soundproof rooms
*free parking

*waiting area for parents



contact Lucy 087 259 7895

Activities suitable for Senior Citizens in Mountrath

Mature Movers 50 + Mondays & Wednesdays 11 am





Bowls inclusive 11 am Tuesdays Bowls 8 pm Thursdays

Mountrath Men's Shed Tuesdays 10 am- 1 pm Thursdays 2 pm- 4 pm contact 085 705 3855





Activator Poles Inclusive Thursdays 11 am

contact Ruth 086 3262 570



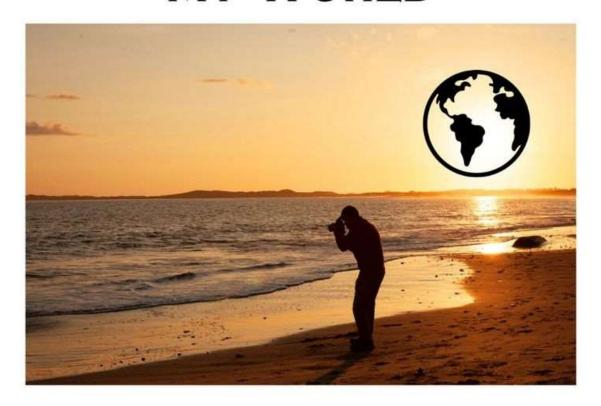








"MY WORLD"



PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

by Mountrath & District Camera Club

Opening 7pm Friday 2nd February in the

Gallery of Divine Inspiration

Bloomhq, Mountrath

All Welcome Photos will be on display for the month



VIOLIN LESSONS

by Irene Ramos

- · Discover the joy of music and unlock your creativity
- Weekly individual and ensemble classes for all ages
- From 3-year-olds to adults

Studio based Mountrath

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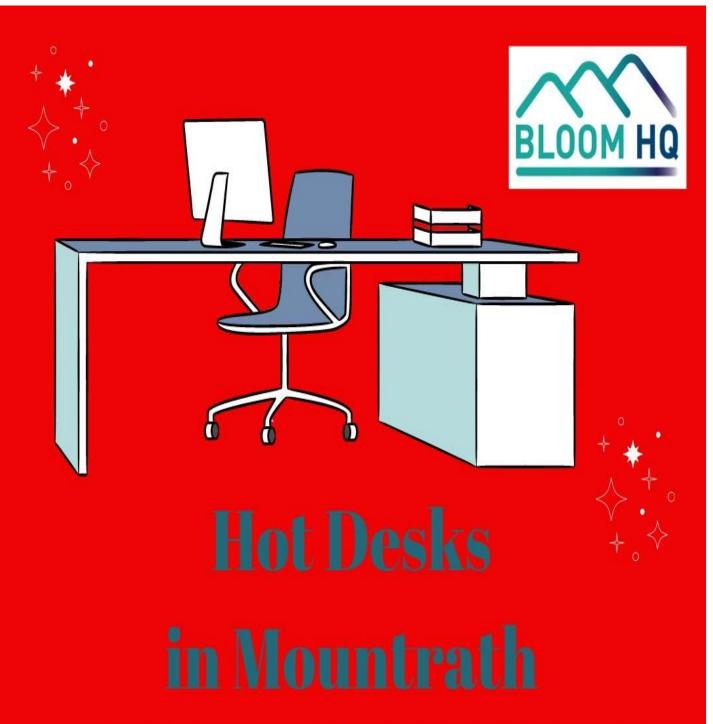
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FOR RATES AND/OR MORE INFO PLEASE CONTACT ME

Phone: 0773222323

Email: iramos violinstudio@gmail.com





Need somewhere to work for a day with fast broadband? Free parking, canteen onsite.

Desks from 10 euro per day Book on https://connectedhubs.ie

Mountrath Men's Shed







Old School on Patrick Street



Tuesdays 10am - 1pm Thursdays 2pm - 4pm

Contact 0857053855







Karate Classes



Mondays & Thursdays 7 - 8 pm





Juniors and Adults

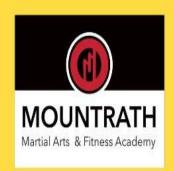


Okinawan Karate



Black Belt Instructors

contact Sensei Donal, 5th dan 087 760 7063 Martial Arts Centre, Old Convent, Mountrath, R32 DC58



HIIT Lunchtime class

High-Intensity Interval Training

Tuesdays & Thursdays

1.15 pm for 40 mins 5 euro a class or

part of your monthly gym package

Book with Ruth 086 3262 570











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Brazilian Jiu-jitsu*

*starting 14th & 17th Feb with free trial

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Wednesdays 7-8 pm &

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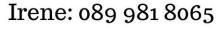
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Trad Music

Saturdays from 11 am, 6+ years €8 for 30 min group classes Eabha 083 8566083

to book talk to the relevant teacher







Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu/BJJ in Mountrath



Thinking about learning self-defence and the Art of Jiu-Jitsu? A sport that suits all ages from 8 years.

- *mobility improvement
- *improve full body strength
- *better cardio
- *helps weight loss
- *improves flexibility

Come join our free trial Wednesday 14th & Saturday 17th February

8 yrs- 18 €35 per month Adults €45 per month

Wednesdays

Kids 7-8 pm
Teens /Adults 8-9 pm

Saturdays

Kids 10- 11 am Teens /Adults 11 am -12 pm

contact Jamie 085 200 2497







Brigidine Convent, Patrick St, Mountrath, R32 DC58



Bowls All Inclusive Ilam Tuesdays

St. Philomena's Hall, Brigidine Convent, Patrick Street, Mountrath

Contact Ruth 086 3262570

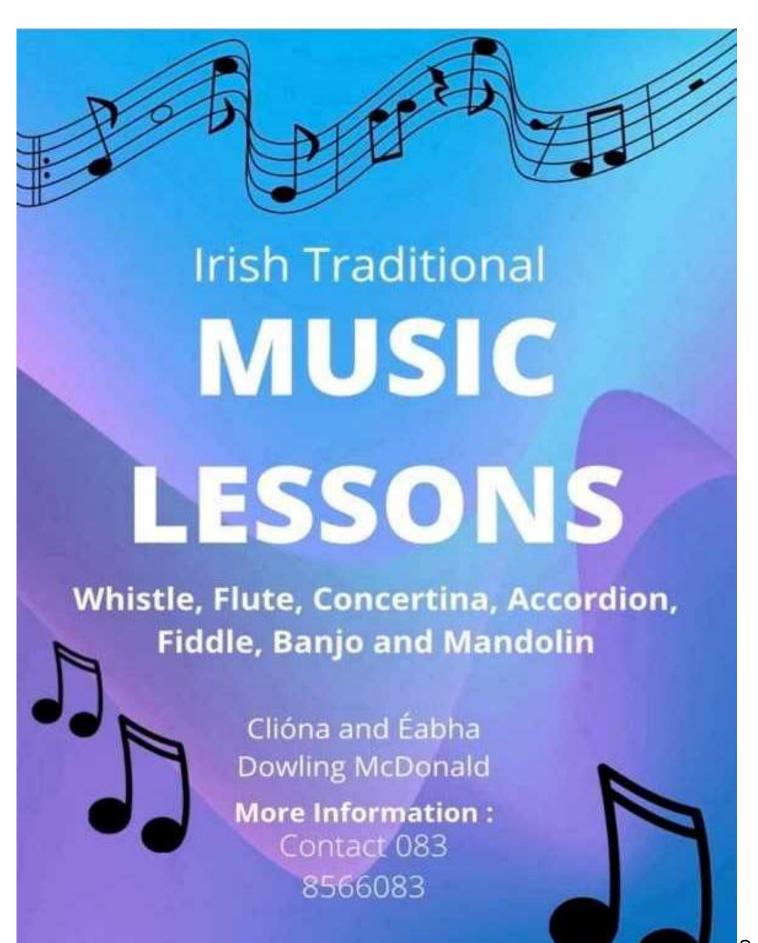












Music Classes in Mountrath

- Lessons in BloomHQ
- Violin Lessons by Irene Ramos
 0773222323
 iramos.violinstudio@
 gmail.com
- Irish Traditional
 Music, Whistle, Flute,
 Concertina,
 Accordion, Fiddle,
 Banjo and Mandolin
 Cliona & Eabha
 Dowling McDonald
 083 8566083

Contact the relevant teacher to arrange days/times/prices



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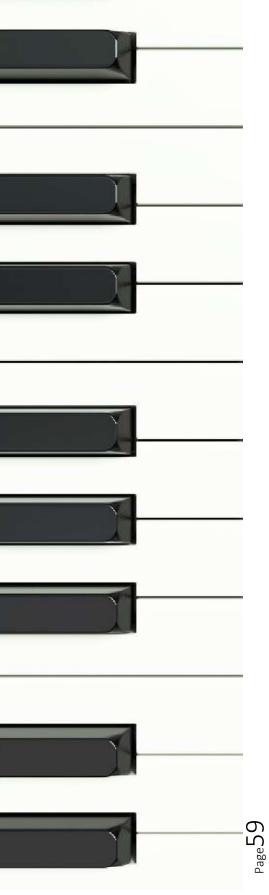
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For our new Music Rooms Contact Lucy 087 259 7895

The Old Convent, Mountrath, Patrick St, R32 DC58





Mountrath Scouts



Looking for a way for your kids to learn new skills and spend time in the great outdoors why not try scouts!

For all ages from beavers to ventures and into leaders!

Friday nights

In the brigidine convent (Bloom HQ) Patrick street mountrath
R32 DC58

7:00 till 8:30

€5 pp

or

€4 per sibling

Scouts is a way to

- Meet new people.
- Learn new skills.
- Spend time outside.
- Make friends for life.



Date for the Diary

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated in Mountrath / Ballyfin Parishes on Fri. 26th April 2024

The Ceremony in Ballyfin Parish Church will Commence at 2.30 pm

Bishop Denis will lead us in both our celebrations

Carlow Union of Parishes Lent - Easter Talks 2024



- 1. Thursday 22nd February 7.30pm "Lent/Easter, The Journey" Dean Tom Gordon, Cathedral Church of Saint Laserian's, Leighlin.
- 2. Wednesday 28th February 7.30pm "Prayer / Spirituality" Rev. Liam Dunne Chaplain, Carlow/Saint Patrick's College.
- 3. Wednesday 6th March 7.30pm "The Cross" Rev. Katherine Kehoe, Carlow and Kilkenny Methodist Church,
- 4. Wednesday 13th March 7.30pm "**Triduum / Resurrection**" Bishop Denis Nulty, Roman Catholic Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin
- 5. Friday 15th March 7.30pm "Songs of Prayer, Faith and Praise" with the Carlow Community Choir and their Director Mary Amond O' Brien.
- 6. Wednesday 20th March 7.30pm "Grief and Loss A Christian Perspective" Rev. Paul Fitzpatrick, in conjunction with the Carlow Mental Health Association.

To care for those who once cared for us is one of the highest honors in life.

- Tia Walker



Ballyfin Community Alert Seniors Alert Scheme Grant aided personal 24/7 personal monitored alarms help people aged 65 and over to live securely in their homes with peace of mind. If you know a family member, friend or neighbour in Ballytin or Laois area who may qualify please contact Sheila on 086 1570145 for information/application form.

Newsletter Items: - From around the Diocese

• Director of Parish Development: This position is now being advertised, with a deadline of 25 March. We ask for your help in advertising this job opportunity locally through parish newsletters and parish website and/or social media platforms, as well as to any groups or people you think it would be of interest to. An image is attached for such promotion as well as a newsletter notice below. Job description and information on how to apply can be found on www.kandle.ie. This is an important appointment and any assistance in letting people know of it would be much appreciated.

• Mass of St Brigid Open Workshop

An open workshop with composer Liam Lawton will take place the following dates: Monday 11th March 2024, St. Peter & St. Paul's Church, Portlaoise @ 8.00 p.m. Thursday 14th March 2024, Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow @ 8.00 p.m. Come and learn a new Mass setting suitable for all choirs. Admission is Free.

Portuguese Mass Portlaoise:

The Brazilian Catholic community in Laois invites you and your family to join them for a mass in Portuguese. The celebration will take place on Saturday, 16th March @ 7.30 p.m., St. Peter & St. Paul's Church, Portlaoise. All are welcome.

Chrism Mass:

Bishop Denis invites you to join him for the celebration of the Chrism Mass. It will take place in the Cathedral of the Assumption in Carlow on Monday, 25 March at 7:30 pm. At this diocesan Mass, the holy oils are blessed and consecrated for use in parishes in the coming year and the priests of the diocese renew their priestly promises. The diocesan

choir will lead us in singing, for the first time, the newly composed Mass of St Brigid by Fr Liam Lawton.

Solemn Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help

Takes place in St Peter & Pauls Church Monasterevin on Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd of March from 7.30pm each evening. The theme of the novena is peace and everyone is welcome to attend.

Mental Health Peer-Support:

Cycle Against Suicide is offering the opportunity to avail of online training in Mental Health Peer-Support. The training provided transcends traditional boundaries, breaks down the stigma associated with mental health discussions. The benefits are profound and farreaching. Trained Peer-Supporters are attuned to subtle shifts in their community's well-being. This heightened awareness fosters a culture of genuine care and concern. No funding is necessary to do the training. It is offered free to volunteers in a community club, association or who are associated with any part of their community's safety, health and wellbeing in a drive to encourage people to take on this vital role for their own community and help bring Peer-Support to the heart of communities as a critical part of mental health awareness and suicide prevention.

Course: Cycle Against Suicide Mental Health Peer Support (Buddy) Training

Details: www.cycleagainstsuicide.com/register-to-become-community-buddy/

Delivery: Online via Zoom

Time: 7-10pm on 4 evenings over 2 weeks

Option 1: March: Tues 12th, Thurs 14th & Tues 19th, Thurs 21st

Option 2: April: Mon 8th, Wed 10th & Mon 15th, Wed 17th

Option 3: May: Mon 13th, Wed 15th & Mon 20th, Wed 22nd

To Register: training@cycleagainstsuicide.com or online

at www.cycleagainstsuicide.com/register-to-become-community-buddy/

ACI Rewilding Faith Creating New Spaces for Faith Workshop

A workshop to equip and encourage lay people to take leadership around their faith, and create spaces to nurture their faith and that of others. Takes place via Zoom on Thursday 14th March at 8.00 p.m. The workshop will draw on Active Hope process. Developed by US eco-philosopher Joanna Macy, and Scottish Mental Health Specialist, Dr Chris Johnstone, this reflective group process is intended to support people becoming active participants in bringing about what they hope for. Tickets cost €10, to sign up please visit https://www.patriciahiggins.ie/event-details-registration/aci-rewilding-faith-creating-new-spaces-for-faith-workshop