

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER
BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

6th October 2024

Mass Times

Parish Church

Saturday - 6.30 p.m.

Sunday - 9.00 a.m. & 11.30 a.m.

Our Lady's Chapel

Tuesday to Friday
10.00 a.m.

Contact Details:

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Opening Hours:

Monday - Thursday
9.00am to 4.30pm
Friday:

9.00am to 4.00pm

Closed for Lunch 1.00pm -1.30pm

**Safe Guarding of Children
Diocesan Designated Liaison
Person :**

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Bishops House
Old Dublin Road
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Representatives**
Ellen Galvin
Mary Moore

**CHARITY TAX NO.
CHY 7355**

Notices & Anniversaries to be left in the Parish Office by Wednesday's @ 1 p.m.

Email: monasterevin.parish@gmail.com, Parish Radio 99FM
**OUR MAIN CHURCH SERVICES ARE STREAMED LIVE ON LINE VIA OUR PARISH
 WEBCAM @ MONASTEREVINPARISH.IE**

Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Dermott O' Loughlin, Oghill, Michael (Mick) Kavanagh, Skirtean, Margaret (Peggy) Byrne née McLoughlin, Hillview, Ballykelly and Kathleen (Kitty) Ryan née Dunne, Suncroft who were interred during the week - R.I.P.

Saturday 5th October 2024, 6.30pm Mass

Jimmy Byrne, Old Grange, High Bridge, Monasterevin (Months Mind), Martin Malone (formerly Shindella) & Athy, Brendan Walsh, 1264 St. Evin's Park (Birthday Remembrance), Nancy Mulhall (Birthday Remembrance), Kathleen & Mervyn Molyneaux (Birthday Remembrance), Michael Mulhall (Jnr.), John & Bridget Harrison, Gurteenooona, Michael Forde, Cowpasture, Denis Dempsey, Mountrice, Joan & Tom Brereton, St. Evins Park, Mary Ellen Flynn, St. Evins Park, Paddy Connolly (Snr.), Paddy Connolly (Jnr.), Emily Jane Carroll, Gurteenooona.

Sunday 6th October 2024, 9.00 am Mass

Sean Heavey, Bracknagh (Months Mind), Joan Brereton, St. Evin's Park, Angela Eustace, St. Evin's Park, Mag Flynn, St. Evin's Park, Rose, Patrick & Jonny Kelly (Birthday Remembrance).

Sunday 6th October 2024, 11.30am Mass

Brendan Walsh, 1264 St. Evin's Park (Birthday Remembrance), Harry, Julia & Nicholas Butler, Kildangan, Dom Spencer, Kildangan, Michael Kelly (Snr.), England, formerly Passlands, Frances & Thomas Talbot, John Redmond, Cowpasture, Tommy Whelan, Drogheda Street & Deceased members of the Whelan family, Jim Dowling, St. Evin's Park, Kelly Dwyer, Newbridge.

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: €425.00
Baskets Collection: €1,175.00

READERS

Saturday 12th October 2024
6.30pm: Deirdre Cotter

Sunday 13th October 2024
9.00am: Lisa Marie Duffy
11.30am: Eileen O' Riordan

LOTTO
08/10/2024

TEAM: A
Pauline Duffy, Lily Donoghue

MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Saturday 12th October 2024
6.30pm: Patricia Molloy, Mary Doyle, Jackie Kennedy.

Sunday 13th October 2024
9.00am: Andrew Mahon, Sharon Hanley, Lily Donoghue.

11.30am: James Forde, Fiona Behan, Anne Fearon.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

Sunday 26th October 2024

TEAM: A
Sr. Phil, Katie Walsh,
Jackie Quinn

CHOIR

Saturday 12th October 2024
6.30pm: Dawn Broughan

Sunday 13th October 2024
11.30am: Alan Reigh

INVITATION

Jesus asks you to come and spend 1 hour with Him every Wednesday night from 7.30pm to 8.30pm in Our Lady's Chapel.



Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results: 01/10/2024

Numbers Drawn:

14, 19, 20, 24

Next Weeks Jackpot: €5,800

No Winner

Winners Promoter

€20 Catherine Quinn R. Callanan

€20 Pauline Earley R. Callanan

€20 Geraldine Mullen G. Harrison

€20 James J. Gorry R. McDonnell

€20 Rose Prendergast M. Heavey

Next draw: 08/10/2024

Thank you for continued support!

Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto

Draw Results: 30/09/2024

Numbers Drawn:

9, 14, 19, 25

Next Weeks Jackpot: € 5,000

No Winner

Winners Promoter

€20 Lorraine Hall G. Martin

€20 Eimhin Walsh G. Broughall

€20 Regina Brennan R. Brennan

€20 Ann Byrne M. Casey

€20 Olivia & Liam Grant M. Casey

Next draw: 07/10/2024

Thank you for continued support!

MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.

Weekly Draw Results: /09/2024

1st €100: Mick Holligan c/o Bingo
 2nd €50: Niall & Bernie c/o S. Morrissey
 3rd €25: Clodagh Colgan c/o Earley's
 4th €25: Caroline Morrissey c/o Caroline

Seller:

BLESSING OF ANIMALS

Fr Liam will be blessing all animals outside the Church after all Masses this weekend Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th October 2024.

DAY OF PRAYER & FASTING FOR PEACE

Pope Francis has called for a day of prayer and fasting on October the 7th
 The one year anniversary of the outbreak of the Israel Hamas war. The Christian Community is reminded of its call to put itself at the service of Humanity.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to babies: Matthew Matej Madaric & Michael James Byrne who were baptised by Fr. Liam Merrigan on Sunday 29th September 2024.



FIRST COMMUNION 2025

St. Evins N.S. - Saturday 10th May 2025 @ 11.00am

St. Peter's N.S. - Saturday 17th May 2025 @ 11.00am

Lackagh - Sunday 11th May 2025 @ 11.30am

Parents meeting for St. Peters, St. Evin's and Lackagh Schools for First Communion will be held on Monday 14th October 2024 at 7.00 pm in the Parish Church.

Parents need to attend Parents meeting in order to register their child. If not registered, we presume child will not be making First Communion.

DATES FOR CONFIRMATION 2025

St. Evin's N.S. Saturday 8th March 2025 @ 2.00pm

St. Peter's N.S. Saturday 8th March 2025 @ 11.00am

Lackagh Sunday 9th March 2025 @ 11.30am

Parents meeting for St. Peters, St. Evin's and Lackagh Schools for Confirmation will be held on Monday 7th October 2024 at 7.00pm in the Parish Church.

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SHINE A LIGHT

Shine A Light, happening on Friday, October 11, challenges individuals, families, and groups to sleep out for one night and raise funds for Focus Ireland. You can take part by organizing your own sleep-out with a group or doing it solo. Either way, you'll be playing a critical role in supporting people in crisis and making a lasting impact.

You can sign up directly by registering here:
Focus Ireland: Register.

MONASTEREVIN DAY CARE CENTRE

ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING OF DAY CARE

Monday 14th October at 7.45pm in Council Hall, Main Street.

Agenda: Update on Day Care provision.

All are welcome.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

FRANCES BLACK WITH MONASTEREVIN GOSPEL CHOIR

Thursday 17th October 2024 at 8pm.

St. Peter & Paul's Church

Tickets €25.00

In aid of St. Peter's & Paul's Church & Monasterevin Day Care Centre

Booking at:

Parish Office 045 525346
 Earley's Fashion Shop 045 525395

Concert will NOT be Live Streamed on the Night.

AUTUMN PRIESTS COLLECTION

Thank you to all who contributed to the Autumn Priests Collection, your continued support is appreciated.

For anyone who didn't receive an envelope and would like to contribute there are envelopes at the back of the church.

DEVELOPMENT FUND BOXES

The church development fund boxes are ready for collection at all Masses during this weekend.

Anyone who did not collect their box can do so at the back of the church.

Anyone who would like to contribute can take a box and leave their name.

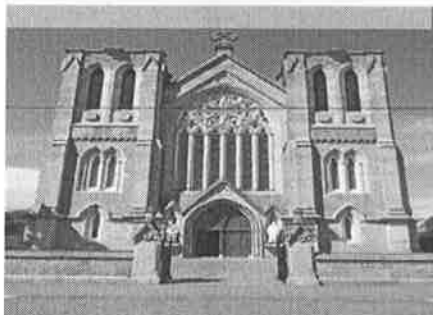
VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE.

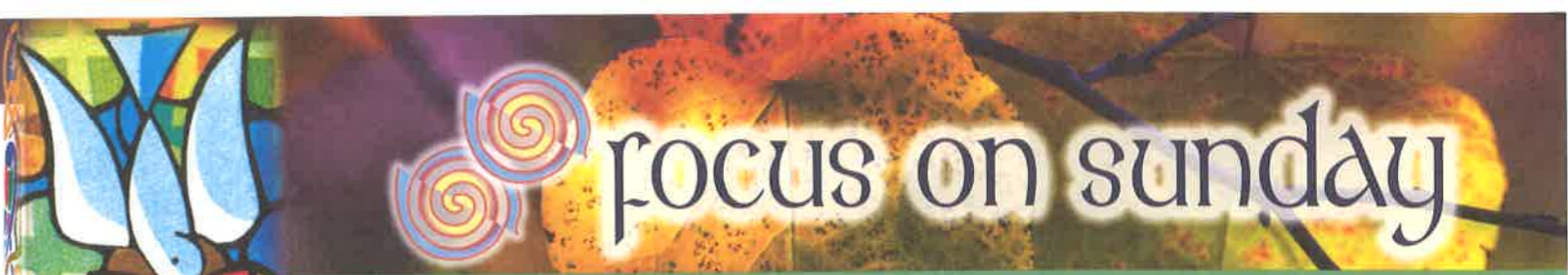
Cathedral of the Assumption Carlow Monday 7th October.

Relics received by Bishop Denis at 10am Mass. They may be visited throughout the day.

Church of St. Peter & Paul's Church, Portlaoise Tuesday, 8th October 2024

7.00am Welcoming Ceremony
 7.30am Mass
 9.30am Rosary
 10.00am Mass
 12 noon Ritual with water from the Lourdes Grotto
 6.30pm Rosary
 7pm Mass with the Anointing of the Sick.
 9pm Closing Ceremony





ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.



PENITENTIAL ACT

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**



OPENING PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Genesis 2: 18 - 24

A reading from the book of Genesis
The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The

man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 127

R. May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

- O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **[R]**
- Your wife will be like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **[R]**
- Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! **[R]**

SECOND READING Hebrews 2: 9-11

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
As long as we love one another God will live in us and his love will be complete in us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 10: 2-16
(*Shorter form 10: 2-12)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, All bow for following two lines:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. **Amen.**



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters,.....

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the sacrifices instituted by your commands and, through the sacred mysteries, which we celebrate with dutiful service, graciously complete the sanctifying work by which you are pleased to redeem us.

Through Christ our Lord.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith.

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God,
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God, that we may be refreshed and nourished by the Sacrament which we have received, so as to be transformed into what we consume. Through Christ our Lord.

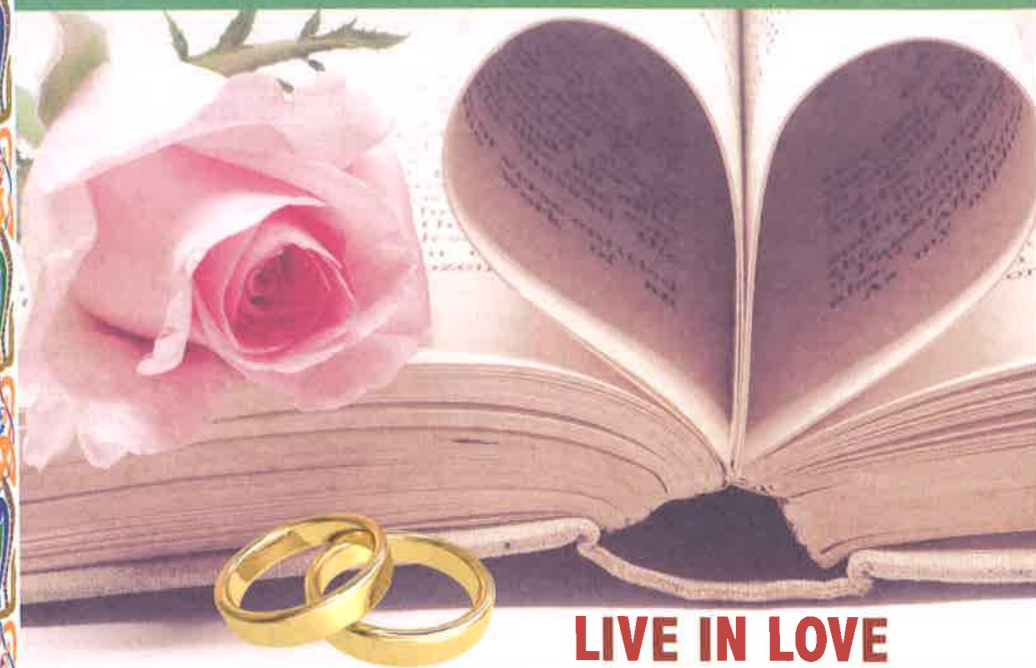
CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Go in peace, **Thanks be to God.**

God has created us to live in love with and for each other. We pray today for a strengthening in our society of the value of the bond of marriage and family.



LIVE IN LOVE



Today's Gospel will be received differently by many in our community. For some, it speaks of the joyful unity of marriage. For others, it communicates exclusion, rigidity, lack of compassion, and all that seems outdated about the Catholic Church today. Yet the Gospel is concerned with Jesus's core teaching and the foundation of our Christianity: love.

The passage paints a familiar Biblical picture of Jesus being tested by his detractors in an attempt to discredit him. Jesus' way of responding is characteristic, as ever, of his understanding of the deeper issues in life. And so, the passage continues with Jesus's treatment of the little children, a powerful depiction of divine compassion. He is clear that the kingdom of God belongs to those who seek a genuine welcome, who seek acceptance, belonging, and love. Isn't that all of us?

Today's Liturgy of the Word asserts the good of marriage as a lifelong commitment, mirroring God's lifelong commitment to us. In 'Amoris Laetitia', Pope Francis invites Christian families "to be a sign of mercy and closeness wherever family life remains imperfect". Those of us who are joined in one body in marriage and one body in the church are called to acceptance and love of each other.

Giovanna Feeley

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

God Our Father made a beautiful world first. Then, God made man to enjoy the world, but the man wasn't happy. He longed for a companion. God gave him a companion. Her name was woman. That was the first Marriage in all the world. We thank God for the great blessing, of love.