



# MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

## BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

10th November 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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045 525346

Parish Office  
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Adrienne M<sup>c</sup>Cormack  
Simona Grajauskaite  
Fiona O'Hanlon  
Claudia Tanase

### 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 :

Ailish Higgins  
Director of Safeguarding & DLP  
Bishops House  
Old Dublin Road  
Carlow

Ph: 085 802 1633  
Parish Safeguarding  
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](mailto: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 soul of May Wall née Foy, London formerly Derryoughter, Kildangan who died recently - R.I.P.

#### Saturday 9th November 2024, 6.30pm Mass

P. J. Ready (Months Mind), Sadie Ready, Patrick & Bridget Murphy, 1255 St. Evins Park (1st Anniversary), Shirley Foran (née) Keenan, Derrylea (1st Anniversary), Michael Fearon, St. Evin's Park, John, Annie & Sean O'Neill, Annie, Michael & Peter Eustace, Aubrey Hope, Seamus Keogh (Birthday Remembrance), Michael Knight, Ballyfarsoon, John Shortall, England, Patrick Quinn, England, Ken Buckley & Deceased members of the Buckley family, Margaret & Percy Johnson, Liverpool formerly Monasterevin and also their grandson Paul Duggan, Michael Collins Snr, 927 Gurteenoonna, Mooney Family, Ballyfarsoon, Mary & John Joe Brady, Coventry, Sean Whelan Skirteen, Whelan Family, Ballybrittas, Co. Laois, The Kavanagh Family, Harbour View, Catherine Earley, Main Street, The Donoher Family, Umeras, Frank & Ann Brown, Liverpool, formerly Umeras, Josie Hughes, Patrick Franey, 1399 St. Evins Park, Mary McEnerney, Lackagh, Seamus McEnerney, Kilcullen, Keith Dunne, Ballyteague, Tom & John Brereton, Mary Ellen Flynn, Brendan Walsh, St. Evin's Park

#### Sunday 10th November 2024, 9.00 am Mass

Vera O'Reilly, Summerhill, Co. Meath, James Murphy, Kildangan, James Manley, Coolnaferagh, Kenneth M<sup>c</sup>Namee, Old Grange, Patrick McLoughlin, Clogheen, Hugh Connolly, New Mills, Mountmellick, James (Shay) Dunne, St. Evins Park and the Dunne & Walsh families, John O'Neill, Fitzgerald Family, Ballykelly, Behan Family Tierhogar, Deceased Members of Clinton Family, Willsgrove, Athy, Seán Grattan, Umeras, Peter & Mary Dempsey, Ballagh, Johnny Harrison, Old Grange

#### Sunday 10th November 2024, 11.30am Mass

Maria Hunt, Old Grange (Months Mind), Richard (Dick) Somers (1st Anniversary), Brendan Hanlon, Clogheen, Joe & Margaret Carmody formerly of Dublin Street & their children Noel, Tom & Gretta, Sean Duffy, Clogheen, Myra M<sup>c</sup>Cabe, Kildare Road, Jack & Lil Henry, Athlone & Deceased members of the M<sup>c</sup>Cabe family, Kildare Road, Patrick (Paddy) Donoher, Inchacooley, Elizabeth (Liz) Donoher, Inchacooley, Charles (Chas) Donoher, Inchacooley, Tom Cox, Longford, Mary Cox, Longford, George Byrne, Ballykelly and Deceased Members of the Byrne Family, Ballykelly & Sligo, John & Catherine (Essie) Donoher, The Cottage, Inchacooley

#### Thursday 14th November, 10.00am Mass

Michael Fearon, St. Evin's Park

### Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: €480.00  
Baskets Collection: €1315.00

### READERS

Saturday 16th November 2024  
6.30pm: Ruth Dempsey

Sunday 17th November 2024  
9.00am: John Dooley  
11.30am: Tom Carroll

### LOTTO 12/11/2024

TEAM: C  
Rita McDonnell, Gertie Byrne,  
Ger Harrison

### MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Saturday 16th November 2024  
6.30pm: Pauline Murphy, Colette Walsh, Dan Clancy

Sunday 17th November 2024  
9.00am: Sr. Angela, Andrew Mahon, Davina Weldon

11.30am: Anne Whelan, Carmel McAlinden, Mary O' Leary

### CHILDRENS LITURGY

Sunday 24th November 2024

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

### CHOIR

Saturday 16th November 2024  
6.30pm: Family Choir

Sunday 17th November 2024  
11.30am: Parish Choir

### 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: 05/11/2024

Numbers Drawn:  
12, 16, 17, 23

Next Weeks Jackpot: €1,800  
No Winner

#### Winners Promoter

€20 Brid O' Connell P. Kelly  
€20 Fiona Whelan R. Callanan  
€20 Anne McLoughlin M. Heavey  
€20 Edwina Foster M. Heavey  
€20 Joan Brereton R. Callanan

Next draw: 12/11/2024

Thank you for continued support!

### Ballykelly G.F.C. Lotto

Draw Results: 04/11/2024

Numbers Drawn:  
6, 8, 14, 17

Next Weeks Jackpot: €6,000  
No Winner

#### Winners Promoter

€20 Tom Forde M. Forde  
€20 Garry Kelly M. Forde  
€20 Mary Dowling M. Dowling  
€20 Mick Donoher R. McDonnell  
€20 Phil Donoher M. Heavey

Next draw: 11/11/2024

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### MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.

Weekly Draw Results: 01/11/2024

1st €100: Jenna Meredith % Bingo  
2nd €50: Padraig Kinahan % Online  
3rd €25: Vincent Meredith % Stephen M.  
4th €25: Bernice & Niall % Stephen M.  
Seller: Bingo

### IRISH CATHOLIC newspaper on sale in church.

### WANTED

T-Shirts, Tops without hoods, Jeans and Tracksuit bottoms. All sizes needed new or secondhand. All will be donated to Midlands Prison.

Please leave at Parish Office.

**ACTS 20:35 Jesus himself said,  
'It is more Blessed to give than  
than receive'.**

### CHRISTMAS

There are a beautiful arrangement of cards and gifts for that special somebody this Christmas Season.

Please drop into the Parish Office and we will be glad to help you.

### Prayer for Peace and Joy this November

Lord, In the mighty name of Jesus, Fill my heart with peace and joy this November. Help me to carry a calm spirit and radiate joy to those around me.  
"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him."  
Thank You for Your gift of peace. Amen

### LAY PASTORAL MINISTERS Diploma in Pastoral Ministry Level 7

The Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin is delighted to present our Lay Pastoral Ministry programme, developed in partnership with St. Patricks Pontifical University, Maynooth & Mount Saint Anne's Conference & Retreat Centre. This comprehensive training initiative aims to equip Lay Leaders with the Essential skills required to serve as Lay Pastoral Ministers within Parishes & Pastoral areas. To find out more please attend on  
**Thursday the 14th of November  
7.30pm, Mt. St. Anne's, Killenard.**

### NOVEMBER LIST OF THE DEAD

Parishioners if you would like to have your relatives remembered at all masses during the month of November please write their names on the list provided at the Altar Rails, and place in the box marked "November List Of The Dead"  
Donations can be included in the envelopes provided. Thank You.

### TREE OF REMEMBRANCE

It is that time of year again when we remember our loved ones who have gone before us in a special way, for the "Month of the Souls", by placing their names on a special tree within our Church.

Name tags are provided at the top of the Church on the Altar Rails.

### MASS OF REMEMBRANCE FOR "THE LITTLE ONES"

SATURDAY 16th NOVEMBER AT  
6.30PM

This Mass is to remember all those babies who died as a result of a still birth or as babies.

Candles will be lit in the Church on the night.

### MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The Mass of Remembrance for deceased pupils and staff of St. Paul's School takes place on  
**Saturday 23rd November at 6.30 pm.**

All are welcome.

### SHRINES OF FRANCE

PARIS, LISIEUX & NORMANDY  
28<sup>th</sup> April - 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025

5 - DAY PILGRIMAGE

Accompanied by:  
Fr. Liam Merrigan P.P.  
Fr. TC O. Carm

€ 965 per person sharing

For further details & Booking forms contact:

Parish Office 045-525346  
Carmelites 045-521391  
Marian Pilgrimages (01) 878 8159

### COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME VACANCIES

Caretaker Parish Property  
Reference CES - 2360920  
Grounds Person Rosglas GAA  
Reference CES - 2354747  
Grounds Person Ellistown GAA  
Reference CES - 2354749

To apply and check eligibility please call into your local INTREO Office or Community Employment Office telephone 045-525143.

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

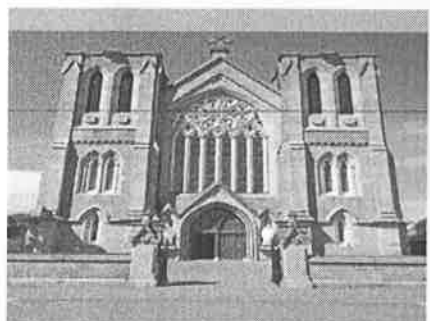
The Quinn family would like to express our sincere gratitude to Portlaoise I.C.U. Department and the ambulance service for their kindness and help. To John Maher and Fr. Liam for their guidance and professionalism. Lastly to our families, friends and neighbours we thank you for all your kindness.

A mass has been offered for your intentions.

### FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING COURSES ATHY

Further Education and Training Courses Athy: Full-time and Part-time places available. Psychology, Family Studies, Community Addiction Studies, Healthcare, Business Studies, Payroll, Digital Marketing and Early Learning and Care. All courses are free to eligible students. Training allowance available for full-time students who are in receipt of Jobseekers Payments.

For detailed course information contact programme coordinator:  
**Una Burke, Phone: 059 8632044 Ext 2.  
Mobile: 0879787727**





The selfless generosity of the two women in today's readings is but a sign of God's generosity in giving himself in his Son, Jesus Christ. We too are called to give all that we have and trust that God will look after us.



**"It's not how much give but how much love we put into giving"**

Mother Teresa



In ancient Israel, a woman whose husband had died had no inheritance rights and was at the bottom rung of the economic ladder. Fully dependent on charity, widows' lives were full of struggle and impoverishment. To make a donation at the Temple treasury you approached one of the thirteen trumpet-shaped chests, each labelled for its different purpose. The coins, made of copper, would reverberate when tossed into the chests, no doubt drawing attention to the donation and the donor. Jesus is watching this spectacle.

A poor person who gives 'everything she had ... her whole life' despite her situation of poverty is certainly the more generous giver, but we should be cautious here. To say that Jesus holds the widow up as an example of true religious devotion would be to miss something. Jesus does not say 'go and do likewise' here because behind the widow's actions is the unjust system that encourages her to part with the little she has. Instead of romanticising the generosity of the poor, Jesus is inviting us to take a seat beside him and notice this widow, as he does. The widow has much to say to us. Of course we should have the heart of a giver, but let that not free us from the obligation to challenge the very systems that keep people trapped in poverty, that diminish the flourishing of life on earth. As we throw the coins down, may we also raise our voices for those who have no voice. Jesus notices this woman when others probably do not. Who do you see giving everything they have for a greater cause? Watch out for them in the coming weeks, notice how they go.

Jane Mellett

Extract from *The Deep End - A Journey through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Mark* by Triona Doherty & Jane Mellett, Messenger Publications, Dublin 2023.

**Jesus' Story**

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus liked looking at people, with interest. To day He watches a lonely woman putting money in a poor box. Often we don't have money to give away, but we do have eyes to see and notice people, and we have hands to help. We can welcome, hug and respect people and that is better than money.



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!**



**GOSPEL**

**Mark 12:38-44 (\*shorter form 12:41-44)**  
**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

*\*He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them, I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on. \**

**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.**

he said, 'Please bring a little water in a vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel: "Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."'

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

**The word of the Lord.**  
**Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 145:7-10**

**R. My soul, give praise to the Lord, or Alleluia!**

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **[R]**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. **[R]**
3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. **[R]**

**SECOND READING Hebrews 9:24-28**

**A reading from the letter to the Hebrews**

It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one, but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once and after that comes judgement, so Christ too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

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**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.**

**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**

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
You will come in glory with salvation for your people: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
May almighty God have mercy on us... **Amen.**

**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 and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike, we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

**FIRST READING 1 Kings 17:10-16**

**A reading from the first book of Kings**  
Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was a widow gathering sticks; addressing her