



# MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

## BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

2nd March 2025

### 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:

Fr. Liam Merrigan P.P.

Parish Office  
045 525346

Adrienne M<sup>c</sup>Cormack  
Simona Grauskaite  
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](http://MONASTEREVINPARISH.IE)  
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### Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

#### Saturday 1st March 2025, 6.30 pm Mass

Molly Ryan & Deceased Members of the Ryan & Flanagan families, Margaret Lawler, Kildangan, James Lawler, Kildangan, Paddy, Rose, & Christy Harrison, Old Grange, Pat Harrison, Larchill, Seán Harrison, St. Evins Park, Joe & Eileen Harrison, Bray, Joe & Breda Sharpe, Rathangan Road, Eddie, Moira & Joe Howard, Kildoon, Nurney, Eileen Thompson (née Behan) & Brendan Thompson, Mary P. McConn, Old Grange, William & Dina McConn, Cowpasture, Jim & Mary McConn, Rathangan, Kevin & Elizabeth Flynn, John Joe Flynn, Rowanville, Kildare, Benny Flynn, Rowanville, Kildare, Pat & Grandad Tom Malone, Quinsboro.

#### Sunday 2nd March 2025, 9.00 am Mass

Stephen, Jim & Tom Connolly, Dublin Street, Sarah & Allen Marshall, England, Jim & Lily Mannion, Caragh.

#### Sunday 2nd March 2025, 11.30 am Mass

Anna King, London, John Joe Quinn, St. Evin's Pk. (Birthday Remembrance), Eileen Thompson (née Behan) & Brendan Thompson, Denis & Margaret Behan, Capanargid.

#### Tuesday 4th March, 2025, 10.00am Mass

John & Bridie Farrell, Milltown, Athy.

#### Friday 7th March, 2025, 10.00am

Denis & Margaret Behan, Capanargid.



#### Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: € 335.00  
Baskets Collection: € 795.00

#### CHOIR

Saturday 8th March 2025  
6.30pm: Dawn Broughan

Sunday 9th March 2025  
11.30am: Alan Reigh

#### LOTTO 04/03/2025

TEAM: B  
Mary Sweeney, Mary Doyle

#### READERS

Saturday 8th March 2025  
6.30pm: Rachel Farrell

Sunday 9th March 2025  
9.00am: Rachel Beattie  
11.30am: Tom Carroll

#### 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.



#### MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST

Saturday 8th March 2025  
6.30pm: Patricia Molloy, Pauline Murphy, Jackie Kennedy, Dan Clancy

Sunday 9th March 2025  
9.00am: Paddy Clarke, Sharon Hanley, Lily Donoghue, Nuala Flynn

11.30am: James Forde, Fiona Behan, Mary O'Leary

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 16th March 2025

TEAM: B  
Sheelagh Murphy, Corina Kelly, Anna Duffy

#### Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results: 25/02/2025

Numbers Drawn:

4, 8, 20, 21

Next Weeks Jackpot: €4,600

No Winner

Winners Promoter

€20 Jean Kemmy R. McDonnell

€20 H. & P. G. Harrison

€20 Bridie Fitzgerald M. Heavey

€20 Jacinta Broughan R. McDonnell

€20 Seamus Whyte R. McDonnell

Next draw: 04/03/2025

Thank you for continued support!

#### Ballykelly G. F. C. Lotto

Draw Results: 24/02/2025

Numbers Drawn:

5, 9, 16, 19

Next Weeks Jackpot: €3,400

No winner

Winners Promoter

€20 Mary Moore c/o M. Dowling

€20 P. & Siobhan c/o M. Casey

€20 Eddie Donohoe c/o E. Donohoe

€20 The Murphy children c/o B. Fitz.

€20 Christina McHale c/o M. Heavey

Next draw: 03/03/2025

Thank you for continued support!

#### MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.

Weekly Draw Results: 21/02/2025

1st €100: Keith Sharpe c/o: Earley's

2nd €50: Connie Foley c/o: Bingo

3rd €25: Kathleen Kelly c/o: Gary Kelly

4th €25: Caoimhe Connolly c/o: Caoimhe

Seller: Earley's

#### VISITING THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Fr. Liam will be visiting the Sick and Housebound on Friday 7th March 2025.

Please call the office on 045-525346 if you wish him to call.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to baby: Naoise Pierce Bond who was baptised by Fr. Liam Merrigan on Sunday 23rd February 2025.



#### PARISH OFFICE

We have a Beautiful New Arrangement of various Gifts and Cards in stock for Special Occasions: such as Confirmation, Holy Communion, Birth of a Child, or just for that special person.

Call in and our friendly staff will be delighted to look after you.

### SOLEMN NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP



St. Peter & Paul's Church  
Monasterevin

This year our Novena is  
confined to 5 nights

### Theme: HOPE

5 Nights commencing on  
Monday 31st March 2025 to  
Friday 4th April 2025

Time: 7.30pm

#### Monday 31st March 2025

Guest Speaker:

Bishop Paul Dempsey, Auxiliary  
Bishop of Dublin & formerly P.P.  
Newbridge.

#### Tuesday 1st April 2025

Guest Speaker:

Geraldine Mullan - Mum who lost her  
husband + 2 children tragically, tells  
her story.

#### Wednesday 2nd April 2025

Guest Speaker:

Sr. Joy, Presentation Filipino Sister  
who has worked in different  
ministries.

#### Thursday 3rd April 2025

Guest Speaker:

Cuan Mhuire - Centre for those  
battling addictions.

#### Friday 4th April 2025

Guest Speaker:

Bishop Denis Nulty,  
Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin.

### CEMETERY MASSES 2025

MONDAY 9TH JUNE 2025

@ 7.30 P.M. ST. EVIN'S

TUESDAY 10TH JUNE 2025

@ 7.30 P.M. PASSLANDS

WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE 2025

@ 7.30 P.M. LACKAGH

THURSDAY 12TH JUNE 2025

@ 7.30 P.M. YEW TREE

### ASH WEDNESDAY 5th MARCH 2025



Ash Wednesday 5th March marks  
the beginning of Lent.  
Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and  
Abstinence.

Mass Times:  
10 am & 7.30 pm

Ashes will be blessed at all masses.

### CONFIRMATION



Best wishes to the children from  
St. Peter's National, St. Evin's National  
and Lackagh Schools who are making  
their Confirmation next weekend.

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

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

Lackagh - Sunday 9th March  
@ 11.30am

### PETITIONS FOR NOVENA

Blank Novena Petitions will be  
available at the Altar Rails in St. Peter  
& Paul's Church for all those wishing  
to have Petitions included in the  
Novena Masses.

Please put completed petitions in  
the box provided at the Altar Rails.

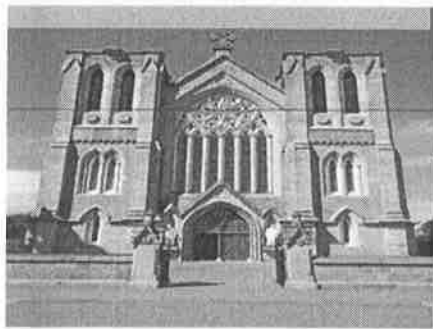
### TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN

This year the focus country is  
Guatemala, LIma, Julio and their  
family and the impact of Climate  
Change on their lives. They  
can't escape the increasingly  
unpredictable weather which is  
Destroying their crops and  
threatening their family's home and  
safety. Their daughter Miriam is due to  
start Secondary School and they can't  
afford her education. Climate Change  
is pushing them further into poverty.

Your generosity can help build a  
better future for LIma, Julio and their  
family.

Trócaire boxes are available at the  
back of the Church.

**trócaire**  
Working for a just world.





# focus on sunday

*Day of Prayer for Temperance*

What do we have to show for all the love God has shown us?  
Are our words full of bitterness or sweetness?



*"A good man draws what is good..."*



It's always refreshing to watch how children imitate their family and parishioners at Mass. Little hands imitate older hands in tracing the sign of the Cross on their foreheads, lips and hearts. It's a visible prayer (based on the rite of Baptism) that the Gospel will linger in our thoughts and find expression in the words which flow from our hearts.

On this Sunday of prayer for Temperance, we think of those whose thoughts, words and hearts are troubled because of addiction. We pray too for counsellors in addiction treatment centres, for all who learn the 12 steps of the AA or the NA programme. As they discover the 12 step Programme of honesty and humility, may they name the splinters and recognise the planks which have blinded or enabled them along life's journey.

Pope Francis gives us great encouragement in this regard in his Encyclical Dilexit nos "on the Human and Divine Love of the Heart of Jesus Christ". He invites us to rekindle the fire of God's love in our hearts and thereby to repair our troubled world. May this be our prayer we receive ashes on our foreheads next Wednesday and prepare to walk towards the Paschal Fire at Easter and onwards to the fire and gifts of Pentecost!

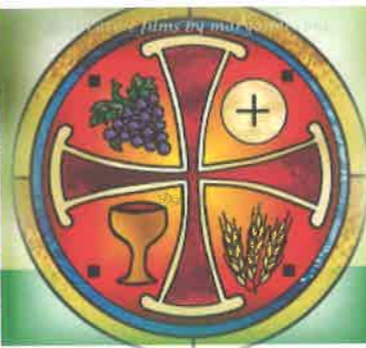
*If you wish to take a temporary pledge for the Season of Lent in solidarity with a friend who is impacted by addiction, please contact Fr Robert McCabe on prayer@pioneers.ie*

**Fr Robert McCabe**  
Central Spiritual Director

## Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus was always a team player. don't we love to be included when the team is picked for a game of soccer or hurling, even if it's only for a friendly match. When we are picking the team we will remember to pick those who may not be the best players as it makes for a much happier team.



### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who provide gifts to be offered to your name and count our oblations as signs of our desire to serve you with devotion, we ask of your mercy that what you grant as the source of merit may also help us to attain merit's reward. 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.....

### AFTER THE CONSECRATION

*The mystery of faith.*  
We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection 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

**I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by your saving gifts, we beseech your mercy, Lord that by this same Sacrament with which you feed us in the present age, you may make us partakers of life eternal. 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, glorifying the Lord by your life.  
Thanks be to God.



your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

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



### NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, All bow for following three lines: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. 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.

judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels.  
Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps. 91:2-3.13-16**  
*R. It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.*

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. (R)
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R)
3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R)

### SECOND READING

**1 Corinthians 15:54-58**  
**A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.**  
When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**You will shine in the world like bright stars because you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL Luke 6:39-45

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.**  
Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.**

### GREETING

In the name of the Father ..... **Amen.**  
The Lord be with you.  
*And with your spirit.*

### PENITENTIAL ACT

**I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**  
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

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,.....

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

**A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus**  
In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation.  
The orchard where the tree grows is