

MONASTEREVIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

BRINGING OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

16th 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.

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Opening Hours:

Monday - Thursday
9.00am to 4.30pm

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9.00am to 4.00pm

Closed for Lunch 1.00pm- 1.30pm

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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
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Anniversaries/Birthday Remembrance

Saturday 15th March 2025, 6.30 pm Mass

Bridie Donnelly (Months Mind), 15 Cathedral Mews, Armagh/ 11 Cassidys Court, Michael Moody, Dublin & Cowpasture, Tony Moody, Cowpasture, Sarah Harrison, Kill, Beth Damer, Edinburgh, Elizabeth Walsh & Patrick Walsh, Shindella, James Kelly, Lough House, Rathangan (Birthday Rem.), Fergal Ryan, Kill Hill, Monasterevin & all deceased members of the Ryan & Keegan families, May Ball (Scotland), Joe Whelan, Main Street, Sean Mullen, Lughill, John O'Neill, Ard Mhuire Rathangan & all deceased members of the O'Neill & Martin Families, Rachel Colgan, St. Evin's (Birthday Rem.), Ena Sweeney, Clogheen, Marie Patterson, Old Grange, Judy Mahon, Athy

Sunday 16th March 2025, 9.00 am Mass

Sean Mullen, Lughill, Deirdre Brereton, Cowpasture, Mary Dunne, St. Evin's Park (Birthday Rem.), Larry Holligan, St. Evins Park (Birthday Remembrance), Mary (Molly) McGuinness.

Sunday 16th March 2025, 11.30 am Mass

Joseph Melia (Months Mind), St. Evins Park, Margaret Cleary, Larch Hill, Aubrey Hope, Annie O'Neill, her son John O'Neill, Annie, Michael & Peter Eustace, Sean O'Neill, John Kavanagh, Harbor View (Birthday Rem.), Mary Dunne, St. Evin's Park (Birthday Rem.), Rev. James Doyle P.P., Jack Murray, Cowpasture, Fr. Denis O' Sullivan P.P., Helena Pender, 7912 Kylebeg Tce., Christopher Pender, Grangenolvin, Athy, Johnnie Dunne, 7913 Kylebeg Tce, Christopher Brown, England, formerly Mooretown, Kildare, Mary (Molly) McGuinness, Quinsboro

Monday 17th March 2025, 9.00 am (St. Patrick's Day)

Ann Kelly, formerly Passlands, Patrick (Paddy) Donohar, Inchacooley, Peter Murphy, Closelands, Margaret Melia, Manchester, Joe Dunne, Kill, Maura O'Connell, Greenfields, Woodview, Mary (Molly) McGuinness

Monday 17th March 2025, 11.30 am (St. Patrick's Day)

Sandra Grajauskiene, Scotland (1st Anniversary), Rose, Thomas, Tommy McGlynn & Deceased members of McGlynn & Paige Families, Patrick & Mary Murphy, Athy & Deceased members of Murphy & Nolan Families, Joe Dunne, Kill, Jack Murray, Cowpasture, Mary (Molly) McGuinness

Tuesday 18th March 2025, 10.00am Mass

Margaret Cleary, Larch Hill.

Wednesday 19th March 2025, 10.00am Mass

Paddy Flynn, Kilberry, Marie Patterson.

Friday 21st March 2025, 10.00am Mass

Winifred Freeman, Loretto Kelly.

Weekly Collection

Envelope Collection: €460.00

CHOIR

Saturday 22nd March 2025
6.30pm: Victor Kennedy

Sunday 23rd March 2025
11.30am: Gospel Choir

LOTTO
18/03/2025

TEAM: A
Pauline Duffy, Lily Donoghue

READERS

Saturday 22nd March 2025
6.30pm: Mary Sweeney

Sunday 23rd March 2025
9.00am: Jarleth Killeen

11.30am: James Forde

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 22nd March 2025
6.30pm: Pat Ryan, Dan Clancy, Ger Harrison, Teresa Flood

Sunday 23rd March 2025
9.00am: Nuala Flynn, Davina Weldon, Paddy Clarke, Lily Donoghue
11.30am: Mary Lawlor, Rachel Farrell, Marie Lawless

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sunday 30th March 2025

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

Monasterevin Parish Lotto

Draw Results: 11/03/2025

Numbers Drawn:

5, 7, 14, 16

Next Weeks Jackpot: €5000

No Winner

Winners Promoter

€20 Nuala Flynn M. Heavey

€20 Ted & Rory P. Kelly

€20 Glen Mills M. Doyle

€20 Eimear Hanlon G. Harrison

€20 Mary McEvoy M. Doyle

Next draw: 18/03/2025

Thank you for continued support!

Ballykelly G. F. C. Lotto

Draw Results: 10/03/2025

Numbers Drawn:

4, 9, 24, 27

Next Weeks Jackpot: €3,800

No winner

Winners Promoter

€20 The Fogartys c/o A. Cullen

€20 Richard Duffy G. Harrison

€20 L, M & W. Hanlon P. Donohar

€20 Bridie Harrison G. Harrison

€20 Nan & Peter Moore P. Moore

Next draw: 18/03/2025

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MONASTEREVIN G.F.C.

Weekly Draw Results: 7/03 /2025

1st €100: Pauline Earley c/o: P. Earley

2nd €50: Bernice Niall c/o: Stephen

3rd €25: Philip Martina c/o: D. Ransome

4th €25: Liam Farrell c/o: G. Farrell

Seller: Peter Earley

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

PETITIONS FOR NOVENA

Blank Novena Petitions are 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.



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.

RELICS OF ST. THÉRESE OF LISIEUX & HER PARENTS ST. LOUIS & ST. ZELIE MARTIN

Will visit St. Peter & Paul's Church,
Monasterevin at all masses on the
weekend of **Saturday 22nd March**
and **Sunday 23rd March 2025** with
Bishop Denis Nulty celebrating
11.30 am Mass and Veneration
afterwards.

FASTING THIS LENT

Fasting from hurting words and say
kind words.
Fasting from sadness and be filled
with gratitude.
Fasting from pessimism and be filled
with hope.
Fasting from worries and trust in
God.
Fasting from pressures and be
prayerful.
Fasting from bitterness and fill your
heart with joy.
Fasting from selfishness and be
compassionate to others.
Fasting from grudges and be
reconciled.
Fasting from words be silent, so you
can listen.

Pope Francis

CONGRATULATIONS

To the 6th Class pupils of St. Evin's, St.
Peter's and Lackagh Schools who were
confirmed by Fr. Liam, assisted by Fr. Bill
Kemmy and Fr. Lockie Flanagan at the
weekend of Saturday 8th March and
Sunday 9th March in Sts. Peter & Paul's
Church.

SCOIL BHRÍDE LACKAGH - ENROLMENTS

2025/2026: Scoil Bhríde Lackagh have
places available for Junior Infants Sept
2025. Application forms are available
from our website
www.scoilbhridelackagh.ie
or from the school office 045 529134.

BAKE SALE

St. Paul's Parents Council are holding
a Bake Sale on **Saturday 22nd March**
after 6.30pm Mass and **Sunday 23rd**
March after 11.30am Mass.
Please support. Cake donations can be
dropped into the Parish Centre beside
the Church before the masses



focus on sunday

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 16th March 2025

The gift of God's love and the following of Jesus is offered to all of us by God. It is a gift we struggle with, as evil in the world tempts us to live in selfishness. Lent, and today's gospel, reminds us of the glory of our calling to follow in Jesus' ways.



Look for signs of God in our daily lives.



One of the most beautiful views and places in the Holy Land is Mount Tabor. It can be seen from many miles around and is the traditional mountain of the Transfiguration, The place where Peter, James and John saw Jesus in the brightness of his glory.

They saw the divinity that was hidden often by the humanity. This day was the dawn of the faith for the apostles in the reality of who Jesus was, and is – in his divine life and his human life. In his total identity he is the image of God. They recognized him because they knew him as a man. And then they heard the voice which said, This is my beloved son.

That had happened before, at the baptism of Jesus. But then no one else heard it. It was only heard by Jesus. Now Jesus is being revealed to his disciples as the Son of God. 'This is my beloved son'. All could hear the voice. It's interesting what follows. God says 'listen to him'. Listening to the word of God is one of the most important graces of a Christian. In the Eucharist we bow to the place of the Word – it is Christ who is speaking in the reading of the Word. . And the lectern from where the scripture is read is also a place we bow to, as we bow to the bread and wine on the altar. In word and sacrament, Jesus is speaking and present in the Church.

Peter, James and John would remember this day forever. In fact, Peter wrote about it in his first letter years later. We can open ourselves to the grace of knowing the divinity and humanity of Christ. And of believing deep down in our hearts that one day we will be transfigured, and so that our mortal bodies will be like his.

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger.



Jesus' Story

Liam Hickey

Jesus suddenly changes his face and clothes in today's story, to give a taste of Heaven. His friends were thrilled with joy and wanted to stay with Him forever. Heaven is like a Birthday Party that goes on forever.



Jesus was found alone. The disciples kept silence and, at that time, told no one what they had seen.

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.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray, cleanse us of our faults and sanctify your faithful in body and mind for the celebration of the paschal festivities. 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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 26:1.7-9.13-14

R. The Lord is my light and my help.

1. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear?
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? **[R]**

2. O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer.
Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' **[R]**

3. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face.
Dismiss not your servant in anger; you have been my help. **[R]**

4. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.
Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! **[R]**

SECOND READING, *Philippians 3:20-4:1. (Shorter form only 3:17-4:1)*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

For us, our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes the saviour we are waiting for, the Lord Jesus Christ, and he will transfigure these wretched bodies of ours into copies of his glorious body. He will do that by the same power with which he can subdue the whole universe.

So then, my brothers and dear friends, do not give way but remain faithful in the Lord. I miss you very much, dear friends; you are my joy and my crown.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard: 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

GOSPEL *Luke 9:28-36*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James and went up the mountain to pray. As he prayed, the aspect of his face was changed and his clothing became brilliant as lightning. Suddenly there were two men there talking to him; they were Moses and Elijah appearing in glory, and they were speaking of his passing which he was to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions were heavy with sleep, but they kept awake and saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As these were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus 'Master, it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you one for Moses and one for Elijah.' - He did not know what he was saying. As he spoke, a cloud came and covered them with shadow; and when they went into the cloud the disciples were afraid. And a voice came from the cloud saying, 'This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him.' And after the voice had spoken,

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love, for they are from of old. Let not our enemies exult over us. Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.

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..... Amen.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

OPENING PRAYER

O God, who have commanded us to listen to your beloved Son, be pleased, we pray, to nourish us inwardly by your word, that, with spiritual sight made pure, we may rejoice to behold your glory. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

Taking Abram outside the Lord said, 'Look up to heaven and count the stars if you can. Such will be your descendants' he told him. Abram put his faith in the Lord, who counted this as making him justified.

'I am the Lord' he said to him 'who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldaeans to make you heir to this land.' 'My Lord, the Lord,' Abram replied, 'how am I to know that I shall inherit it?' He said to him, 'Get me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these, cut them in half and put half on one side and half facing it on the other; but the birds he did not cut in half. Birds of prey came down on the carcasses but Abram drove them off.

Now as the sun was setting Abram fell into a deep sleep and terror seized him. When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, there appeared a smoking furnace and a firebrand that went between the halves. That day the Lord made a Covenant with Abram in these terms: 'To your descendants I give this land, from the wadi of Egypt to the Great River.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.