



# The Grapevine

MOONCOIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

10<sup>th</sup> May 2015

## Thought for the Week

At the end of Lent we read, See I am doing a new thing. I am sending a fresh stream through the desert. The Resurrection promises that the dry places will always burst into vibrant life, that the stone will always be rolled away, that nothing good stays dead long. Every dream can be stirred into life, every fire rekindled. To be sure, we all carry some graves of cynicism and despair within us. Most of us are acquainted with demons or guilt, shame, sadness. The stunning revelation of Easter is that this winter is all over. Without exception and forever. There is no sin, loss, betrayal or despair that is final. All we have to do is choose life, forgiveness and compassion. Small wonder that the Celts of old saw the sun dancing over the mountain on Easter morning. The sun should dance for us too. Everything is new and fresh. Our lives are transformed. We have just come through the amazing ceremonies of Holy Week.

## Masses during the week

<b>Rosary – 9.15:</b>	The rosary will be broadcast on the radio at 9.15am each morning before the 9.30am mass.
<b>Tue – Friday:</b>	9.30am – Mooncoin
<b>Thurs 10am – 8pm:</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Nagle Chapel

## Notices

### Ferrybank Library

**Bealtaine Festival 2015** – Bealtaine is the annual event promoting creativity in older age.

Ferrybank Library has a packed program of events starting at 3:00pm Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May with a FREE “Mindfulness – Inspirational Discussion”, which will run every Wednesday throughout May. Limited spaces. Registration necessary.

**Citizens Information Drop-In Service** – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May, 10:00am – 1:30pm. No appointment necessary. Pop in for FREE impartial and confidential information.

**‘Yesterday’s Traditions Today.....everything old is new again’** – FREE - Make a fabric memoir book of treasured keepsakes including your own memorabilia, words of wisdom, poems, letters, maps, etc..... Starting Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May from 3:00-4:30pm and will run every Tuesday throughout May. Limited spaces. Registration necessary.

**Reading for Positive Ageing** – a specially selected Bealtaine Book Collection available to borrow throughout the month of May.

**All Bealtaine events are FREE but booking is essential to avoid disappointment.**

**Decorative Craft & Textiles for Adults** – Create with Angelina Fibres making a Butterfly Bag or miniature wallhanging or journal cover. Make & Paint plaster clay moulds for vintage brooches and other decorations. €5 per workshop. Starting Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May from 11:00am - 12:30pm for four weeks. Limited spaces. Registration necessary.

**Six Book Challenge** – Lost the reading habit? Get back into reading with our Six Book Challenge. Just read six books (anything you like) between now and September. Have you tried our Quick Reads, which is a great way to get back into the swing of reading again? Certificate upon completion, free incentives, reading diary provided, prize draw for challenge completers. Ask for details at desk. All are welcome to participate.

**WANT A LAUGH?** Humour is the theme for our May display of fiction and non-fiction. Including the classic letters from John . B. Keane right through to the more modern biography of comedian Tina Fey called “Bossyboots” there is sure to be something guaranteed to make you laugh.

For further information on any of the above, please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200 or email [ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie](mailto:ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie)  
Follow us on Facebook and on Twitter.

## *Pentecost– Celebrating the Birthday of the Church*

Holy Spirit – Novena in preparation for Pentecost  
Mooncoin Parish Church at 8pm

- ⇒ Friday 15<sup>th</sup> - God's Love with Sile Grant
- ⇒ Monday 18<sup>th</sup> - A Saved People with Fr. Philip Brennan
- ⇒ Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - New Life with Fr. Peter Muldowney
- ⇒ Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> - Receiving the gifts of Holy Spirit with Tom Jones
- ⇒ Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> - Praying for a New & Fresh out pouring of the Holy Spirit with Fr. Dan Bollard.
- ⇒ Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> - Living the Life that Jesus want us to live with Fr. Dermot Ryan
- ⇒ Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Vigil mass of Pentecost(6.30pm)

**Mooncoin Youth Club** are organising a Variety Show. We would like the primary schools to be involved. If your son/daughter would like to take part, sign up and practise will start Thursday, 6:30pm - 8:00pm. Cost of €2 per night and a show to be put on in early July.

### **Circuit Training**

Circuit Training every Thursday night in the Parish Hall from 7 – 8pm €5 per class. Further details contact Robbie – 086 1646449. All are welcome.

### **Mooncoin GAA**

The Mooncoin Annual Family Fun Day takes place on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August.

### **Right4ufitness**

Saturday 8.30am for a fun filled hour of exercise at the Iverk Show Grounds, Piltown. Suitable for all levels. Any queries please find us on [www.facebook/right4ufitness](http://www.facebook/right4ufitness) or call/text Noelette or Emer 087 2601202.

### **Holy Hill Hermitage**

Fancy living as a hermit for a while, come to Holy Hill Hermitage in Ox Mountains of Sligo for Free. Holy Hill to hold a Retreat for adults aged between 18 – 35. This year it is running from the 1<sup>st</sup> October until the 1<sup>st</sup>

December. For further details, please contact Michael Graham @ [mickthegraham@yahoo.com](mailto:mickthegraham@yahoo.com). Also see <http://www.holyhill.ie/> and <https://www.facebook.com/holyhillhermitage>. Holy Hill Hermitage is a Catholic Diocesan Institute of Consecrated Life practicing Carmelite spirituality.

### **Grapevine**

Please have any notices for the Grapevine into the Parish Office by 12pm on Wednesday. Thank you. Some weeks we cannot fit all notices received for the Grapevine, however all notices will appear on our online Grapevine on [www.mooncoinparish.ie](http://www.mooncoinparish.ie).

### **First Holy Communion**

First Holy Communion: Mooncoin – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May @ 11am & Carrigeen – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May @ 11am. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

### **Mooncoin Children's Choir**

Practice for the Mooncoin Children's Choir takes place on Mondays from 3 – 4pm. All children from 2<sup>nd</sup> class upwards welcome. €1 per family. See you there, Margaret & Maureen.

### **Safety Note**

Please do not leave any valuable items in your vehicle while unattended.

### **The Nagle Chapel**

The Nagle Chapel will be opened for 11.15am Mass every Sunday as a Family Room and a Young Children Friendly Space. All are welcome. For now the only entrance is from the sacristy of the church.

### **Vision Mooncoin - Volunteers Wanted**

Volunteers are needed to help with events in the Parish Hall over the coming year. Even if you can spare 2 hours a month – that would be fantastic. Please contact Bernie in the Hall Office on 083 1660658 11-3 Monday to Friday. Thank you.

### **Cemetery Masses**

The following dates have been set for this year's cemetery masses:

Mooncoin New Cemetery	-	Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> June @ 6.30pm
Mooncoin Old Cemetery	-	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June @ 8pm
Carrigeen Cemetery	-	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June @ 8pm
Kilnaspic Cemetery	-	Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> July @ 8pm

### **Mooncoin GAA Juvenile Club**

#### **'Pass it On' Scheme**

The Juvenile & Camogie Clubs are launching a new 'Pass it On' scheme for 2015. The scheme is to facilitate parents/juvenile members who may have unwanted gear (Hurling Helmets, Boots, Shin Guards, Hurleys, Jerseys or Shorts) that they may wish to donate and also parents of new or younger members of the club who may be looking for such unwanted gear. All available gear must be in very good or good condition. The scheme will work only through the club website (<http://www.mooncoingaa.ie/passiton>). If you have any gear that you wish to pass on please email details of gear and sizes/ages along with a contact number to Fergal O'Hanlon, PRO at [info@mooncoingaa.ie](mailto:info@mooncoingaa.ie). Equally, if you are looking for some gear please email what gear you are looking for along with your contact number also to [info@mooncoingaa.ie](mailto:info@mooncoingaa.ie). (No names will be listed on the website of those looking for gear). Further details available on our website.

#### **Registration for 2015**

€ 30 U-12 downwards / € 35 Minor, U16 & U14 / Family (2 kids) € 60 / Family (3 kids or more) € 85

New beginners/U6 will receive a free hurley and grip on first day of training. Please note new beginners/U6, must be in school in the current year i.e. 2015 in order to register and play for the club.

### **Bowles**

The Game of Bowles takes place in the Day Centre every Wednesday morning at 11am. Great fun to be had – All are welcome.

### **Trócaire**

Door to door fundraisers will be in Mooncoin during April/May. They will be clearly identifiable as they will be wearing blue branded Trócaire jackets and carrying photo ID. We would ask the people of Mooncoin to support this worthy cause. Thank you.

### **Mooncoin Celtic News**

Sponsored Hill Climb up Slievenamon on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May at 1pm. Cards available from Kevin Dobbyn – 0876167700.

### **Roadworks**

With the ongoing roadworks we are urging all members of the community to support local businesses during this difficult time. Thank You.

### **Irish Cancer Society**

Our annual Church Gate Collection will take place on 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> May. Your support is greatly appreciated.

### **Carrigeen Community Pre-school**

Carrigeen Community Pre-school Official Opening of the new outdoor area/garden will take place on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May after morning mass in Carrigeen. All welcome.

### **S.V.P**

Meeting on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the Parish Room.

### **Carrigeen Altar Society**

Cleaning of Carrigeen Church on Thursday night 14<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in preparation for First Holy Communion on 16<sup>th</sup> May. All help appreciated.

### **Mooncoin Town Twinning**

Next meeting in Tuesday May 12<sup>th</sup> @ 8.00 in Comerford's Lounge. We are off to France June 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested in joining us, please come along to the meeting.

### **Amalgamation of Both Schools – Boys & Girls**

Discussions around this topic have been going on for some time. During the past few months a number of meetings have taken place between staff members, board of managements and parents/guardians of both schools. This part of the process was finalised last week when 71.5% of parents/guardians voted in favour of amalgamation. We are aware that 28.5% of parents/guardians were not in favour, however we will do everything within our power to ensure that the transition from singles sex schools to co-ed will be as smooth and professionally carried out as possible. Our aim is to provide the best possible education for the children today and going forward into the future. The next part of the process is to seek approval from the Patron Most Rev Bishop Seamus Freeman SAC and the Department of Education. We are also aggressively seeking a parcel of land adjacent to the schools in order to begin the process of having a State of the Art Co-Ed School on one site. We will keep you all updated as the process develops and look forward to your co-operation and support. Please keep all this in your prayers. “Unless the Lord build this project we labour in vain.”

### **First Holy Communion Prayer Books & Rosary Beads**

First Holy Communion Prayer Books, Rosary Beads and cards available at the Parish Office. Open Monday 9-5, Tuesday & Wednesday 9.30-4, Thursday & Friday 9.30 – 1.30.

### ***Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers*** ***Mooncoin***

**Cleaners: 16<sup>th</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> May**

Bridget Holden, Marcie Foran, Mabel Hassey

**Collectors: May**  
**Sat 6.30pm**

Michael Lannon, Joan Thornton

**Sun 11.15am**  
**Eucharistic Ministers: May**  
**Sat 6.30pm**  
**Sun 11.15am**  
**Readers - Sat 16<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Sun 17<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Readers - Sat 23rd May**  
**Sun 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Kieran O'Brien, Seamus O'Brien  
Teresa Connolly, Gertie Butler, Catherine Skehan McDonald  
Tina Fitzgerald Alice Phelan, Brandon Power  
Jonathan Crowley, Maryanne Foley  
Rachel & William Doyle  
Margaret & Michael Keane  
Marjorie Godinho, Mary Grace

### *Carrigeen*

**Collectors: May**  
**Cleaners: 16<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Eucharistic Ministers: 17<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Readers: 17<sup>th</sup> May**

Patrick Dunphy, John Bowe  
Collette Fanning, Louise Doyle  
P.J. O'Leary, Catriona O'Reilly  
Mary Fewer. Michael Fewer Ward

### *Kilnaspic*

**Cleaners: 16<sup>th</sup> /23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
**Eucharistic Ministers: 16<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Readers: 16<sup>th</sup> May**

M. Frisby, D. Aylward  
Catherine Hogan  
Padraigh Kirwin

### **Welcome**

We welcome into our faith the following who were baptized recently:

### *Anniversaries*

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Paul Crowley, Mountneill  
James Walsh, Ballybrazil  
Ned Mackey, Polerone  
Hannah Mackey, Polerone  
Kathleen O'Shea, Hugginstown  
Theresa Watts, Nee Walsh, Graugavine  
Michael Kinsella, Dournane

#### **Recently Deceased**

Fr. Eddie Crowley, Australia  
Captain Anthony Pattinson, Late of Florida  
Nancy Cleary(nee Morrissey), Kilmacow

#### **Months Mind**

Dympna Thomson, Mooncoin Residential Home, Collins Avenue – Dunmore Road