



*Thought for the Week*

**Death is a Gateway**

Death is a gateway we all must pass through, to reach that fair land where the soul's born anew, for man's born to die, and his journey on earth is a short span of years beginning with birth. And like pilgrims we wander until death takes our hand and we start on the journey to God's promised land— a place where we'll find no suffering or tears, where time is not counted in days., months or years. And in that fair city that God has prepared are unending joys to be happily shared with all of our loved ones who patiently wait on death's other side to open the gate.

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**Masses During the Week**

Monday: 7pm in Mooncoin—Feast of all Saints.

Tuesday: 10am in Carrigeen, 11.15am in Mooncoin and 8pm in Kilnaspic

Wednesday : 9.30am Mooncoin—Feast of the Holy Souls.

Friday 9.30am Mooncoin.

**Thurs 10am – 8pm:** Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - Nagel Chapel

**Notices**

**Ferrybank Library**

**Competition Winners** – Congratulations to the winners of the Halloween Mask Competition!

1<sup>st</sup> Prize Callum Delahunty, Bigwood NS; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Paulino Mairelin, Bigwood NS; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Matthew Powell, St Mary's Boys NS and 4<sup>th</sup> Prize Ben Kovac, St Mary's Boys NS. Well done to all who entered the competition. We received some very creative masks which are on display in the library.

**MABS** – Weekly Confidential Clinics each Wednesday morning from 9:15am to 10:30am. This is a FREE one-to-one service offering independent, confidential and non-judgemental advice to people who are having difficulties with managing their money or are in debt.

To make an appointment phone 0761 07 2050 or drop in on the day.

**Knitting & Crochet Circle** meets every Thursday morning at 10:00am Anyone who wishes to join this group, whether it is to learn a new craft or to participate in this happy group, come along any Thursday of your choice, you will be more than welcome.

**Creative Writing & Poetry** meets every Friday morning from 10:30-12:30 Open to all budding writers and poets! Our creative writing and poetry group meets every Friday morning in Ferrybank Library. This is a great opportunity to meet with fellow artists and so support the creative process. New members are always welcome!

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.

### **Nagle Chapel**

The Nagle Chapel is now available each Saturday evening at 6.30pm and Sunday morning at 11.15am for any young families with children. You may enter from the outside. Some child friendly materials are available and also toilet facilities upstairs. All are welcome.

### **Mooncoin/Carrigeen/Kilnaspic Liturgy Readers**

Please note if you are unable to read please contact another reader to do it for you. Thank You.

### **Nagle Chapel Mooncoin**

Pobal De Prayer Group invite new and past members to join us on Tuesday evenings from 7pm - 8pm. All are very welcome

### **Home Care Services for the Elderly**

Affordable Live In Homecare provide live in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Mary or Tom on 0879916791 or visit [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie)

### **Health & Wellbeing**

Gina Ryan is providing a personal service with natural, chemical free, Aloe Vera based products ranging from everyday essentials which can be used from birth, sports and fitness products, skincare and beauty, animal care, products to naturally support the digestive system, immune system and healthy joints. 100% nutritionally correct weight management programmes are also available. Call Gina on 0863958826 for information

### **The Rite of Baptism for Children**

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated in our parish at 5pm on the following days:

Carrigeen—1st Saturday of every month

Mooncoin—2nd Saturday of every month

Kilnaspic—3rd Saturday of every month

To arrange a baptism contact the Parish Office on 895123. We ask parents to give 3-4 weeks' notice. Two members of the preparation team will visit each family before the baptism with a Pack for Parents which consists of all the information you require. This pack will also include the prayers and readings for the celebration and a house blessing. As baptism is a community celebration—all children will be presented to the faith community on a designated day each year.

### **Thinking of Getting Married?**

If you are thinking of getting married please contact the Parish Office to book the church and also to receive the Marriage Booklet which guides you through the steps to be taken prior to the marriage. **Both parties must give at least three month notice to their Parish and to the State.** A Pre Marriage Course is required. The following documentation is required: **Baptismal Certificate** issued within 6 months of your proposed marriage. **Confirmation Certificate, A Letter of Freedom** is required if you lived permanently outside of your present parish for a period of 6 months or more. **A Pre Marriage Course Certificate.** When you have all the documentation make an appointment with the priest to complete the Pre-Nuptial Enquiry Form. For further details please contact the Parish Office—051 895123 or please see [www.gettingmarried.ie](http://www.gettingmarried.ie)

### **Be Vigilant When Parking!!**

We advise all to take due care when parking your car. Please ensure no valuables are visible and doors are

locked as we are not responsible for the safety of your car whilst parked either on Church grounds or Parish Hall grounds. Thank you.

### **A Sacred Space**

Grounds beside the Church, The Nagle Chapel, Grotto and the Sisters Cemetery is a place of reflection and prayer. Entry is from the side of the Church. We would like to put a few seats in the area, they are expensive. If you could see your way of making a donation towards the same would be very much appreciated, As from now there is no access from the Convent grounds to the Church. Access outside to the Nagle Chapel and the Prayer Garden is from the right hand side of the Church.

### **Family Quiet Time**

We are encouraging all individuals and families to have a quiet time each week in their home to pray and reflect. For those who are into social media why not try 'Sacred Space' or '3 minute retreat' by Loyola Press. Download for free on your device. From Google Play Store.

### **Ninth World Meeting of Families during 2018**

Hosting a Global event of this size requires a huge amount of planning and financial outlay to support this endeavour, a second collection will be taken up after Holy Communion next week at all the masses. This collection will be an extra collection for the next three years and it is a national collection. Thank you for your support. "The strength of the family lies in its capacity to love and to teach how to love" Pope Francis.

### **The Irish Cancer Society**

The Irish Cancer Society's 'Volunteer Driver Service' is a free transport service available to patients undergoing chemotherapy treatment. To avail of this service, please talk to your healthcare professional or call Rebecca in the Irish Cancer Society on 01 2316 642.

### **Hospital Visits**

Please contact the Parochial House and let Fr. Larry know if you or your loved ones or neighbours are ill at home or hospital and would like a visit (taking into account any restrictions on visits that may occur from time to time). Thank You.

### **First Holy Communion & Confirmation**

Confirmation will take place in Mooncoin on Sunday 7th May 2017. First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 27th May 2017 in Mooncoin and on Saturday 20th May 2017 in Carrigeen.

### **AIM HIGH – Parish Ministry for Young People**

The AIM HIGH Parish Ministry Programme was developed to encourage young people to take an active part in their Church, parish and community. It helps young people to understand that religion is not just for learning, nor is it a list of rules, but that it is for living, for living life to the full. More importantly it is a journey of faith. Upon completion, participants will have learned skills to:

Learn and grow spiritually - Participate in Parish Liturgies - Minister in their Parish Communities - Develop practices for self-awareness and self-development. Recipients of the programme will be able to enhance their CV's by: Proving their ability to commit to a project, and Displaying their personal responsibility to develop, improve and grow. AIM HIGH is open to all young people 16 years and over. The award is flexible, non-competitive and requires an ongoing commitment. The program is coordinated through the Parish, in conjunction with parish organisations, second level schools and youth clubs.

### **Children's Choir**

Practice resumed on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 3-4pm in The Parish Church for students in 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Classes. €1 per family.

### **Anniversaries/Notices**

All anniversaries/months mind/notices etc. must be telephoned, handed in or emailed to the Parish Office only. The office opening hours are as follows: - Mon 9.30am -4pm, Tuesday 9am – 4pm, Wednesday 9am -3pm, Thursday & Friday 9.30am – 1.30pm. The Parish Office can be contacted at 051-895 123 or email [mooncoin@ossory.ie](mailto:mooncoin@ossory.ie)

### **November Stations**

Purple Envelope in your weekly Envelope Box is for the November Stations which may be paid any time this month. Your support is very much appreciated.

### **Folk Group**

Choir practice resumed on Tuesday 4th October from 8-9pm for the Folk Group in Mooncoin Church. New members welcome.

### **John Paul II Awards**

Enrolment for the coming year will be commencing in the coming weeks and anyone interested in taking part should contact the Parish Office. All enquiries welcome.

### **Parish Office**

In the Parish Office we have a range of cards for sale - from Christening, Communion, Confirmation, Wedding and Mass Cards. We also stock Christening Candles, / Holy Candles, Rosary Beads, Baby's Prayers, Motorists Prayers, Pins / Rosettes / Medals and various keep-sakes. Please call in to see any of these during office hours.

### **Welcome**

Please give a very warm welcome to all our new Alter Servers who will be joining us in Mooncoin, Carrigeen and Kilnaspic Churches in the coming weeks.

### **Staff Required**

Mooncoin Residential Care Centre require the following staff:

Full / Part-time Carers—must have Fetac Level 5 or be in the process of completing same. Full / Part-time Staff Nurses. It may suit retired nurses or nurses interested in returning to work. Apply with CV to Breda O'Reilly, Mooncoin Residential Care Centre, Polerone Road, Mooncoin Co. Kilkenny or email: [info@mooncoinrcc.ie](mailto:info@mooncoinrcc.ie), Tel: 051 - 896884. Closing date for applications is 20<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

### **Southern Deanery Pastoral Council**

The SDPC are currently undertaking a brief questionnaire. We would greatly appreciate your time in allowing your children/students in logging on to the following link: <http://tinyurl.com/sdpc2016>. The questionnaire can be completed in five minutes and will help us going forward in understanding the views of young people and their relationship with the church.

### **South Ossory PTAA**

Annual Dinner Dance will take place in The Rhu Glenn, Slieverue on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 8.30pm. Tickets are on sale from Margaret Hayes on 895483 or Tommy Delahunty on 895246 for € 30. Anyone who thinks they qualify for Gold or Silver Pens please contact the above numbers. All are welcome.

### **Community Hall**

Our community hall is up and running with a packed winter schedule. Everything from drama to bingo, keep-fit and music lessons. If you want any information about classes and events please contact 083 1660658.

### **St. Vincent De Paul**

Conference meeting on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November in the Nagle Chapel at 7.30pm.

### **Silver Circle – Week 4**

€200 Sean Wall-Lr. Corluddy, €100 Paul Butler-Nicholastown, €50 Mary Morahan-Ballybrazil, €20 Lucy Quinn-Lr. Corluddy, Seamus Howley-Grange, Patrick Roche-Ballincur, Paul Derwin-Kilcraggin, Eamon Delahunty-Portnascully, Jeanette Reid-The Pound, Marie Purcell-Grange, Patricia Kelly-Ballinlough, Katelyn Felle-Kilcraggin, Claus Holden-Main St., Benny O'Brien-Polerone, Tadgh & Maggie Curran-Dournane, Eugene Dunphy-Suir Crescent, Marie Flynn-Mooncoin Heights, Tony Duggan-Mullinavat, James Grace-Ballincur, Valerie Walsh-Ballincur, Maggie Dobbyn-Suir Crescent, Helen Scahill-Piltown, Josie Foster-c/o Dick Walsh.

### **Take Control of Your Life**

Is your life restricted and compromised by chronic illness? Join our support groups to break the cycle and take control of your life. Weekly meetings at Grow Office, Barrack St Kilkenny Friday @ 11am. Contact Mary on

### **Mooncoin Town Twinning**

For 20 years we have welcomed French Guests here and travelled as guests to Brittany on alternate years. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm in Comerford's Lounge. Join us and be part of a great cultural and fun group. For more information please contact 086 3790655.

### **Marfan Research Foundation**

The Marfan Research Foundation will host a presentation by Professor Mark Redmond on Cardiac Surgery and Margan Syndrome Research at 7pm on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November in Kilmacow Community Centre. All are welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served.

### **Benefit Night**

A Benefit Night will be held in The Set Theatre on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November in order to raise fund for a Kilkenny musician who is currently undergoing cancer treatment in St. Luke's Hospital. Performing on the night will be: The Uptown Band, Bobbie Carey, Phoenix, HOT4, Andy Murray, Little Routes, Gavin Carroll. First act on stage at 9pm. Tickets cost €10 and are available from Langtons or on the door.

### **Annual Christmas Fair – 4<sup>th</sup> December**

Could organisers and volunteers please attend a meeting in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm. As this is our main fundraising event for ongoing upkeep of the hall, all help is greatly appreciated.

### **Mooncoin Celtic News**

Fundraising Night on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November from 9.30 in The Royal Oak with music from "Luke Kelly Tribute Band". All support welcome.

### **Mooncoin GAA**

A Christmas Card Game takes place this year on 2<sup>nd</sup> December at 9pm in the GAA Complex. All proceeds will to the SVP, Mooncoin. Refreshments will be served with a Monster Raffle being held on the night. Anyone wishing to donate spot prizes please contact Joe on 086 6028873.

### **Mass of Thanksgiving – Bishop Seamus Freeman**

On Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November, a Mass of Thanksgiving will take place in St. Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny at 5.30pm to honour our retired Bishop Seamus Freeman. It is an opportunity to Thank Bishop Seamus Freeman for the past nine years as Bishop of Ossory. Refreshments will be available afterwards. All are welcome to attend.

### **The Three Tenors – Concert**

The Three Tenors will perform in St. Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny as part of the Restoration Fund on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm. Very Special Guest – CBS Boys Choir, Kilkenny. Tickets are on sale for €25 from St. Mary's Parish Office – 056 7721253 or any Parish Office in the Diocese. A great night is guaranteed.

### **Available Services – People Do Care!**

**Kilkenny Bereavement Support:** 056 775 6538

**Your local Priest:** Mooncoin Parochial House 051 895 123

**Support after Homicide:** ( 7 Days) 087 983 7322

**Suicide Prevention Help line** 1800 742 745

**Samaritans:** -

Kilkenny 056 776 5554 / 1850 60 90 90

Waterford 051 872 114

Freephone 116 123

Waterford Drop in 16 Beau Street

9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.

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

<u><b>Cleaners: 20<sup>th</sup> November</b></u>	Elizabeth Lennon, Alice Conway, Rene Comerford, Noreen Holden
<u><b>Collectors: November</b></u>	
<u><b>Sat 6.30pm</b></u>	Therese Walsh, Michael Lannon
<u><b>Sun 11.15am</b></u>	Seamus O'Brien, Padraig Power
<u><b>Eucharistic Ministers: November</b></u>	
<u><b>Sat 6.30pm</b></u>	Kitty Grant, Noreen Holden, Alice Kelly
<u><b>Sun 11.15am</b></u>	Valerie Barlow, William Doyle
<u><b>Readers: November</b></u>	
<u><b>Sat 19<sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm</b></u>	Margaret Keane, Jonathan Crowley
<u><b>Sun 20<sup>th</sup> 11.15am</b></u>	Rachel & William Doyle

*Carrigeen*

<u><b>Collectors: November</b></u>	Pat Dunphy, Collette Fanning, Josephine Rowe
<u><b>Cleaners: 19<sup>th</sup> November</b></u>	Ann Finn, Mary O'Keeffe
<u><b>Eucharistic Ministers: 20<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></u>	Margaret Brennan, P.J. O'Leary
<u><b>Readers: 20<sup>th</sup> November</b></u>	Michael Connolly, Joe Sullivan

*Kilnaspic*

<u><b>Cleaners: 19<sup>th</sup> /26<sup>th</sup> November</b></u>	M. Fahy, A. Walsh
<u><b>Eucharistic Ministers: 19<sup>th</sup> Nov</b></u>	Bernadette Walsh
<u><b>Readers: 19<sup>th</sup> November</b></u>	Katherine Hogan

**Welcome**

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

**Anniversaries**

John & Bridie Hewetson, Ballymountain  
Jimmy Murphy, Kilnaspic  
Murphy/Rochford Families, Clogga  
Fr. Grace (PP – Mooncoin)  
Margaret (Peggy) Comerford, Clogga  
Birdie Murphy, Polerone  
John Fripps, Grange  
Pat Corcoran, Luffany  
Sr. Laura Corcoran, Cussana