



The Grapevine

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Thought for the Week

The Wilderness

What does it mean to be led into the wilderness?

To find yourself without bearings, without direction, without food, drink, company?

For many the wilderness is to be without direction.

Not knowing how to find love, meaning, joy in life.

Losing faith, hope, friends, commitment.

This seems to be part of life.

In the wilderness Jesus was tempted to lose direction and to change his plans.

Can you allow yourself to find refreshment, faith, self-confidence when you feel in the wilderness of aloneness or of failure or confusion?

In you desert you will know God: he comes looking for you then.

If you trust and hope you will know that you are not lost, for he has come to find you.

It's not that he will bring you to his home but he will make his home in you.

Feast of St. Patrick

Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.
Amen.



Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig Oraibh

Masses during the week – Note Change of Times

Monday 16th March:

7pm Vigil Mass for St. Patricks Day – Mooncoin
8pm Vigil Mass for St. Patricks Day – Kilnaspic

Tuesday 17th March - Holy Day of Obligation – The Feast of St. Patrick - Patron Saint of Ireland

10am – Carrigeen
11.15am – Mooncoin

Wed:

9.30am – Carrigeen

Wed:

7.30pm – Mooncoin – Way of the Cross

Thurs & Fri:

9.30am – Mooncoin

Thurs 10am – 8pm:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Nagle Chapel

Ferrybank Library News

World Book Day 5th March 2015 was a great success, thanks to all who participated.

The well known local and talented Joe Meagher came to the library to read stories to pupils from three schools in the surrounding areas, St Pat's, Strangsmills NS; Kilmacow NS and St. Mary's Boys NS, Ferrybank. Congratulations to all the children who dressed up in their favourite book characters for the day, they looked amazing!!

Computer Classes - ETB [Education Training Board] will commence computer classes in April.

The programme aims to 1. Access Windows environment, create a document, use File Management, Internet and email software.

2. This course has been designed to introduce learners with little or no previous knowledge of computers to the basics of Information Communications Technology [ICT]. Topics covered in this course include: Computer Basics; Desktop; etc...

3. Certification on completion of Equal Skills Workbook.

If interested in partaking in this course, please contact the library to register. We are taking names now, places on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Creative Writing – Are you interested in writing for a hobby but don't know where to start? Do you end up chewing your pen and staring at a sheet of paper, or gazing at a blank screen for hours? Why not kick-start your writing today by joining our established writing group who meet every Friday morning from 10:00 – 11:30am. All are welcome.

Regular Events in the Library - on a weekly basis we have patchwork quilting, knitting and crochet circle, parent and toddler morning, computer classes for over 55's, creative writing, art class... In addition, the Irish Circle meets every second Tuesday of the month, our Adult Book Club meets last Wednesday of the month, the Junior Book Club meets on the second Tuesday of the month.

Art & Craft classes for children 6years +

Dates: March 19th and 26th @ 3:15 – 4:30pm. €3 per class. Limited spaces. Register your name at library.

Follow us on Facebook and Twitter

For further information on any of the above, please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200 or email ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie

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.

Dates to Remember

First Holy Communion: Mooncoin – Saturday 23rd May @ 11am & Carrigeen – Saturday 16th May @ 11am.

Confirmation: Mooncoin – Sunday April 26th at 11.15am

Mooncoin Children's Choir

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

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2015

Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2015 May 22nd – May 27th - Cost € 755 pps. All bookings for both Regular and Assisted pilgrims please contact Glenmore Parish Office – 051 880414 / Email: glenmore@ossory.ie
Mon/Tue/Thurs 10.00 – 2.30 & Friday 9.15 – 12.15.

Safety Note

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

Silver Circle

Week 19: €200 Larry Gilmartin-Barronswood, **€100** Maggie Curran-Dournane, **€50** Carmel Walsh-Crawn, **€20** James Grace-Ballincur, Tommy Walsh-Clogga, Richard Dunphy-Glengrant, Joe Dunphy-Luffany, Abbie May Kinsella-Dournane, Andy Brennan-Ardera, Pat Byrne-Dournane Road, Cathy Brogan-Aglis, Eamon Holden-Main St., Sean Kehoe-Polerone, David Tyler-Chapel St., Mary Keane-St. Anne's Tce., Cathy Sinnott-Main St., Ray Wall-Corluddy, Conor O'Shea-Portnahully, Leah Collins Reade-Polerone, Eamonn Mackey-Polerone, Claus Holden-Main St., Cora Long-Ballygriffin, Paddy Crowley-Polerone.

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.

Set Dancing

Set Dancing is due to return shortly. Are you interested in joining? If so please contact Joan Thornton – 087 7774688. Thank You.

Cemetery Masses

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

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

Lenten Programme 2015

Healing and Reconciliation – Thursday 26th March @ 7.30pm in Mooncoin Church – Speaker Fr. Philip Brennan – Refreshments afterwards in the Nagle Chapel. Dr. Fergus Heffernan will be giving a talk and workshop during Lent – Date to be confirmed.

Lenten Texts

Each day at 12 noon a short text message is sent to those who have submitted their mobile number with a simple thought or prayer. The text is to encourage people to reflect for a moment on something or to pause and say a brief prayer, think of someone, or decide to do something small that day. Should you wish to receive a Lenten Text please text your mobile number to Ossory Faith Development Group at 085-8313100, Email afd@ossory.ie, 056-7753624. This service is free of charge.

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. 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. (No names will be listed on the website of those looking for gear). Further details available on our website.

Registration for 2015

Registration will take place for the Juvenile Club members on Friday 27th from 7-9pm upstairs in the complex. € 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.

Ministers of the Eucharist – Course

Monday 23rd March, Tuesday 24th March & Wednesday 25th March – Ballyhale Parish Church at 7.30pm – Attendance is required on the 3 nights. Contact 056-7753624 for further details.

St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund Draw

Annual prize fund is €60,000 and the subscription is €120 per annum or €10 per month. St. Mary's Cathedral is the 'Mother Church' of our diocese and it should be restored to its former glory. We hope that all the people of the diocese will come together and support this fundraiser. We are looking for volunteers to promote the draw. Tickets available at the Parish Office.

Financial Statement

Financial Statement is available at the back of the 3 churches and at the Parish Office. Thanks for supporting your parish.

Bowles

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

Mooncoin GAA

Card Handicap on Friday 3rd April at 9pm in the Complex. €10 entry per person for 1st Round, €5 entry from there on. Refreshments served – All are welcome.

Mooncoin GAA Juvenile and Camogie Club

There was a great turn out at registration last Friday night. Welcome to all new and existing members. Still to register?, you can download the registration form from our website www.mooncoingaa.ie or collect a copy from the club office. Return completed forms to David at 087 1222373 or relevant team manager.

Art Therapy Service

Professional Art Therapy Service available locally for children, adolescents and adults. Art Therapy is a creative way to help deal with issues such as anxiety, stress, sadness, behavioural difficulties or a bereavement. Contact Kathleen Kelly on 051 896964 or 087 6419226 for further information.

Sale of Work

Sale of Work in aid of Spring Garden & Respite Centre on Sunday 29th March at 1pm in The Parish Hall. All the usual stalls, spinner, bottle stall, cakes, fruit, veg and garden plants etc. Donations will be gratefully accepted for this deserving cause which is of service to Mooncoin Parish and all surrounding areas. Contact 895155 for further information. Please drop donations to the Parish Hall between 10am – 2pm 28th/29th March. Thank you.

Pre-Baptismal Team

Meeting on Monday March 16th at 8pm in The Parish Room.

Mooncoin Town Twinning

We are off to Brittany, France in June and we welcome anyone interested in travelling with us. Contact Mary 086 3790655 or Pat 087 2480456

Happy Mother's Day

Loving God,

We thank you for the love of the mother you have given us,

Whose love is so precious that it can never be measured,

Whose patience seems to have no end.

May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them,

We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love, or time, or patience,

We ask you to bless them with your own special love,

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother,

Amen.

Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers
Mooncoin

Cleaners: March 21st/28th	Ena Laffan, Catherine Doran, Therese Walsh, Alice Phelan
Collectors: March	
Sat 6.30pm	Therese Walsh, Michael Lannon
Sun 11.15am	Liam Delahunty, James Delahunty
Eucharistic Ministers: March	
Sat 6.30pm	Kitty Grant, Noreen Holden, Alice Kelly
Sun 11.15am	Catriona Cooney, Valerie Barlow, William Doyle
Readers:	
Monday 16th March 7pm	Mary Keane, Mary Ann Foley
Tuesday 17th March 11.15am	Marjorie Godinho, Margaret Hayes
Sat 21st March 6.30pm	Ailish Conneely, Jonathan Crowley
Sun 22nd March 11.15am	Rachel & William Doyle

Carrigeen

Collectors: March	Ned Phelan, Michael Fewer, Noel Walsh
Cleaners 21st March	Ann Finn, Mary O'Keeffe
Eucharistic Ministers: 17th March	Anne Walsh, Peggy Healy
Eucharistic Ministers: 22nd March	Teresa O'Neill, Peggy Healy
Readers: 17th March	Paul & Rebecca Derwin
Readers: 22nd March	Breda Walsh, Joe Sullivan

Kilnaspic

Cleaners: 21st / 28th March	Margaret Rochford
Eucharistic Ministers: 21st Mar	Cathlene Walsh
Readers: 21st March	Padraigh Kirwin

Welcome

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

Emma Ann Wilson
Lily Catherine Farrell

Anniversaries

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Nicholas Dunne, Skelpstown
Walter Crowley, Polerone
Willie & Ciss Mackey, Polerone
Walter McDonald, Emil
Paul Tyler, Grange
Thomas Wilson, Mooncoin Heights
Nellie & Tom Hennebry, Cloncunny
Michael Joe Sexton, Nicholastown
Maura Walsh, Polerone
Baby Cillian Mackey, Emil
Richie Kearns, Ardera & Kilaspy

Recently Deceased

Mick Crowley, Kilnaspic