

Vol. 25 No. 20 The Ascension of the Lord 17th May 2015

Thought for the Week

Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord The Link of Heaven and Earth

As Jesus departs from us, there is a new link between heaven and earth. And we are present in heaven.

He brings our sufferings, marked in the wounds of hands, feet and side. He brings our sin, which has wounded him and through his wounds we are healed. He gives on earth the healing of heaven.

He brings our hopes, alive in his risen body: Our hopes that good will overcome evil. That justice will prevail over evil. And that love is the most powerful force we know. He brings with him our hope that we will love forever. And because he live now in eternity, we know we too shall live. Alive to joy and peace in the circle of love which is the home of God.

God's glory is Jesus fully alive. God's glory is men and women fully alive. Fully alive to love, to the call of God. And to the love we can share with each other. Each of us is the glory of God, glimpsed partly here, to be fully enjoyed in heaven.

Where Jesus is, we shall follow.

Masses during the week

Rosary – 9.15: The rosary will be broadcast on the radio at 9.15am each morning before

the 9.30am mass.

Tue – Friday: 9.30am – Mooncoin

Thurs 10am – 8pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Nagle Chapel

Notices

Ferrybank Library

Bealtaine Festival 2015 – Bealtaine, the annual event promoting creativity in older age continues throughout the month of May. Ferrybank Library has a packed program of events.

"Mindfulness – Inspirational Discussion" - Wednesday 20th and 27th May FREE, runs every Wednesday throughout May. Limited spaces. Registration necessary.

'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, medals, maps, etc..... Continues Tuesday 19th 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.

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? It's 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

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Pentecost- Celebrating the Birthday of the Church

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

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

<u>Mooncoin Youth Club</u> 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

Mooncoin GAA would like to thank everyone who supported our recent Rose Run held on 4th May. To all our sponsors, participants, those who provided the refreshments and to everyone who helped to make the event a success, Thank You. The Mooncoin Annual Family Fun Day takes place on Sunday 30th August.

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^{st} October until the 1^{st}

December. For further details, please contact Michael Graham @ 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.

Carrigeen First Holy Communion

Congratulations, prayers and best wishes to the boys and girls who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday: - Conor Byrne, Tyler Cremin, Jamie Croke, Oisín Cuddihy, Paul Cuddihy, Will Cuddihy, John Delahunty, Beth Dunphy, Eve Dunphy, Hannah Dunphy, Marybeth Flynn, Luke Geraghty, Liam Joy, Avril Morrissey, Eoin O'Callaghan, Mike O'Keeffe, Grace O'Neill, Clídna Power, James Wall, Jack Walsh.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion: Mooncoin – Saturday 23rd May @ 11am. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

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.

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.

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

€ 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 30th 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.

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."

Southern Deanery Pastoral Council

In this year of "Consecrated Life", our diocese proposes, later in the year to acknowledge the work of those who are or were involved in ministry. Please call Mary Grace on 086 3404667 with the contact details of any living relative or friend, either a nun, religious brother or priest born in the Mooncoin Parish. Thank You.

Annual Diocesan May Rosary Procession

The Annual May Rosary Procession will take place on Sunday 24th May at 3pm leaving Ballybricken Green to the Dominican Church, Bridge St., Waterford where the crowing of Our Lady will take place. All are welcome to attend especially those who have made their First Holy Communion.

Death of Fr. Eddie Crowley P.P.

The death has occurred in Australia of Fr. Eddie Crowley P.P., Kempsey, New South Wales and formerly of Polerone, Mooncoin on Saturday 2nd May 2015. A memorial mass will be held in Mooncoin Parish Church on Friday 22nd May at 7pm.

Graduation Service

A Graduation Service will take place in Colaiste Cois Siuire on Wednesday 20th May at 7pm. Congratulations to all the students who graduate at this time. Wishing you every success and blessings in the future.

Organist Retires

It is with deep regret, sense of great loss and sadness we learnt last Sunday that Claus Cantwell, due to health reasons has retired from playing the organ on weekends and for funerals. Claus has played the organ for

years driving from Tramore through all sorts of weather conditions. What dedication and commitment! Thanks Claus, we are most grateful and thankful. A celebration will follow later to mark the occasion.

Mooncoin Tractor Run

Takes place on Sunday 24th May. Assembly at The Royal Oak at 12pm. Barbeque in Portnascully with music by Noddy & Co. Event in aid of the 3 National Schools. Ring Kevin 087 7406354 for more information. All are welcome.

<u>Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers</u> Mooncoin

Cleaners: 23rd May Bridget Holden, Marcie Foran, Mabel Hassey

Collectors: May

Sat 6.30pm Michael Lannon, Joan Thornton Sun 11.15am Kieran O'Brien, Seamus O'Brien

Eucharistic Ministers: May

Sat 6.30pm Teresa Connolly, Gertie Butler, Catherine Skehan McDonald

Sun 11.15am Tina Fitzgerald Alice Phelan, Brandon Power

Readers - Sat 23rd May Sun 24th MayMargaret & Michael Keane

Marjorie Godinho, Mary Grace

<u>Carrigeen</u>

Collectors: May
Cleaners: 23rd May

Eucharistic Ministers: 24th May

Readers: 24th May

Patrick Dunphy, John Bowe
Mary Dalton, Teresa O'Neill
Peggy Healy, Teresa O'Neill
Paul & Rebecca Derwin

<u>Kilnaspic</u>

Cleaners: 23rd May M. Frisby, D. Aylward

Eucharistic Ministers: 23rd May

Readers: 23rd May

Jason Dunphy

Katherine Hogan

Welcome

We welcome into our faith the following who were baptized recently: John Joe Liam Walsh Ellen O'Gorman

Anniversaries

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James Walsh, Ballybrazil
Anna & Tommy Kinsella, Ballytarsney
John Foskin, Rathcurby
Mary O'Toole, Comeragh View
Edward & Breda O'Keeffe, Filbuckstown
Mary & Paul Junior O'Keeffe, Filbuckstown
Carmel Murphy, Cork
James Murphy, Ballincur