



# The Grapevine

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## Thought for the Week

Dear Parishioners

In the midst of the excitement of Christmas may we wish you the abundant blessing of peace. Whether you celebrate this time alone or with friends or as part of your family, may you and yours share fully in the great joy of Mary and Joseph at the first Christmas.

At this time, sadly for many, memories of deceased loved ones and absent friends crowd in and the sense of loss and loneliness can be overwhelming. Our church invites you to bring these sorrows with you and share them with the community in prayer at our Christmas masses. You are not alone. Through our mutual support, sharing and prayer let us celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. Whether we are regular churchgoers or not so regular churchgoers, the invitation is just the same. Come along! Your presence at our ceremonies will enrich our celebration and our celebrations will in turn enrich our parish.

I, as your priest, would like to take this opportunity to thank the many wonderful people who contribute time, talent and energy to Church and Parish life on a daily basis. Words cannot truly express the gratitude and admiration I feel for all your dedication and hard work.

So to everyone, I wish a joyous, meaningful and holy Christmas.

Fr. Peter

## Christmas Services

### **Mass Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Eve:**

Mooncoin @ 6.30pm Carrigeen @ 7.30pm Kilnaspic @ 8.30pm

### **Mass Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Day:**

Carrigeen @ 10.00am Mooncoin @ 11.15am

### **Mass Friday 26<sup>th</sup> December – St. Stephens Day:**

Mooncoin @ 10.00am

### **Mass Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> December:**

Mooncoin @ 6.30pm Kilnaspic @ 8.00pm

### **Mass Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December:**

Carrigeen @ 10.00am Mooncoin @ 11.15am

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> January – New Year's Day: Mass 10am – Mooncoin**

## Masses during the week

<b>Rosary:</b>	9.15am – The Rosary will be broadcast on the radio at 9.15am each morning before the 9.30am mass.
<b>Mon &amp; Tues:</b>	9.30am – Mooncoin
<b>Confessions:</b>	Tuesday in Mooncoin at 10.00am Wednesday – Christmas Eve – In Mooncoin 10 – 11am

## Notices

### Ferrybank Library

**Happy Christmas** - The Staff of Ferrybank Library, Trish, Helen, Maria and Jimmy, would like to take this opportunity to wish all our loyal patrons A Very Happy and Peaceful Christmas!  
We appreciate all the support given throughout the year!

**Christmas Opening Hours** – Library will close on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> December at 2pm and will re-open on Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> December at 10am.  
On Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> December we will close at 4pm.

For more information on any of the above please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200

### 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).

### Dates to Remember

First Penance: Mooncoin – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm & Carrigeen – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm.  
First Holy Communion: Mooncoin – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May @ 11am & Carrigeen – Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May @ 11am.  
Confirmation: Mooncoin – Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup> at 11.15am

### Parish Grapevine - Christmas

There will be no Parish Grapevine next weekend. Our next parish grapevine will be on the weekend of 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Thank you.

### Christmas Office Hours

The Parish Office will only open over the Christmas period on the following: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec from 9-12, Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec from 9-12 and Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> December 9-12. Normal office hours will resume on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015.

### 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.

### Silver Circle

**Week 9: €200** Mick O'Keeffe-Polerone, €100 Dolly Regan-Portlaw, €50 Elaine Walsh-c/o Nursing Home, €20 Ciaran Callinane-Ballytarsney, John Hogan-Portnascully, Carmel Dunphy-Glengrant, Martina Reilly-Comeragh View, Tommy Dermody-New Aglish, Kathleen Mackey-Carrick Road, Johnny Howley-Main St., Ned O'Keeffe-St. Annes Tce., Betty Power-Crawn, Michael Connolly-Carrigeen, Nicky Walsh-Ballymountain, Alan Conway-Roseleigh, Tom Kearns (Snr)-Ardera, Leslie Allen-Piltown, Jeanette Reid-Dournane Road, Larry Gilmartin-Barronswood, Eoin Corcoran-Clogga, Ned Murphy-Grange, Alex Crosse-Roseleigh, Grace O'Neill-Rathkieran.

### Safety Note

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

### **Want to Stay Fit?**

Bootcamp takes place in the Parish hall every Thursday night from 8 – 9pm. Contact Peter Nolan – 086 2470429. All are welcome.

### **Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2015**

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

### **Fatima**

Anniversary of St. Lucia – 11<sup>th</sup> – 15th February 2015 – 4 Nights Full Board – Cinquentenario Hotel - €474.00 pp / €25 Insurance (optional). For information or bookings please contact Imelda Kelly – 086 2755836.

### **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.

### **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 Tue/Thurs Morning or leave your details in the Parish Office. Thank you.

### **Trócaire**

“Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God”. Trócaire Christmas Gifts are now on sale and can make a life-changing difference to families in some of the world’s poorest countries. Please log onto [www.trocaire.org/gifts](http://www.trocaire.org/gifts)

### **Mooncoin Bridge Club**

Mooncoin Bridge Club is currently open for new members. We play bridge every Wednesday night at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested contact Margery Godinho – 051 895358 / 087 2896163. All are welcome.

### **Christmas Cards / Candles**

Christmas Cards and Candles are now available for sale in the Parish Office.

### **Vision Mooncoin**

Vision Mooncoin / Parish Hall Office Hours: Monday – Friday 11am – 3pm  
Office Secretary: Bernie O’Brien  
Office Telephone No: 083 1660658 – 10am to 6pm

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

The Eucharistic Ministers 2015 Rota for Mooncoin is now available for collection at the Parish Office.

### **Saint Vincent De Paul**

Our next monthly collection takes place on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

### **Doyle Produce Farm Shop**

Get your baking, boiling and roasting potatoes for Christmas along with a variety of vegetables at great value prices. Contact Catherine – 895914.

### **Mooncoin Celtic News**

A huge thank you to all who supported our recent church gate collection and also a big thank you to all our sponsors for the year. We are holding a Christmas Raffle with lots of prizes on the 23<sup>rd</sup> in Comerfords Bar. Tickets are available from players and committee. Contact Kevin Dobbyn – 087 6167700.

*Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers*

*Mooncoin*

<b>Cleaners: December</b>	Bridget McGrath, Pauline Tobin Elsie McGrath, Ellen Fitzpatrick
<b>Cleaners: January</b>	Hannah O'Shea, Michelle Ford Margo O'Brien, Martina O'Reilly
<b>Collectors: December</b> Sat 6.30pm Sun 11.15am	Therese Walsh, Michael Lannon Eddie O'Keeffe, Seamus O'Brien
<b>Collectors: January</b> Sat 6.30pm Sun 11.15am	Paddy Bowe, Peter Butler Eddie Crowley, Seamus O'Brien
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: Dec</b> Sat 6.30pm Sun 11.15am	Bridget McGrath, Monica Hassett, Kathleen Dunphy Gaby Kelly, Sarah Kinsella, Joan Thornton
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: Jan</b> Sat 6.30pm Sun 11.15am	Teresa Connolly, Gertie Butler, Catherine Skehan McDonald Tina Fitzgerald, Alice Phelan, Brandon Power
<b>Readers:</b> 27 <sup>th</sup> Dec 6.30pm 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec 11.15am Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> / 10 <sup>th</sup> Jan 6.30pm Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> / 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan 11.15am	Margaret Keane Mary Grace, Margaret Hayes Geraldine Purcell, Jonathan Crowley Rachael Doyle, William Doyle

*Carrigeen*

<b>Cleaners: 27<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Ann Finn, Mary O'Keeffe
<b>Cleaners: 3<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	Siobhan Walsh, Breda Ryan
<b>Cleaners: 10<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Teresa Comerford, Joan Dunphy
<b>Collectors: December</b>	Dick & Cecily Walsh, Ronan Walsh
<b>Collectors: Jan / Feb</b>	Margaret Phelan, Jack Ryan, Paddy Ryan
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: 24<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Eileen Dowling, Mgt. Brennan Teresa O'Neill
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: 25<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Mary Murphy, Anne Walsh, Catriona O'Reilly
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: 28<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Peggy Healy, P.J. O'Leary
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: 4<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Eileen Dowling, Declan Walsh
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: 11<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	Anne Walsh, Mary Murphy
<b>Readers: 24<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Una Walsh, Frank Hogan
<b>Readers: 25<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Ronan Walsh, Eilish Walsh
<b>Readers: 28<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Tom Jones, Josephine Jones
<b>Readers: 4<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Mary Fewer, Michael Fewer Ward
<b>Readers: 11<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Paul Derwin, Rebecca Derwin

*Kilnaspic*

<b>Cleaners: 27<sup>th</sup> Dec / 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan</b>	Kathleen Walsh, Catherine Norris
<b>Eucharistic Ministers: 27<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	Jason Dunphy
<b>Readers: 27<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Melvin Godinho

**Welcome**

We welcome into our faith community the following who were baptised recently:  
William John Fielding

## *Anniversaries*

### **Anniversaries**

Ellen Lannon – Comeragh View  
Pauline Haley – Ballygorey  
Ambrose Walsh – Carrigeen  
Paula Walsh nee Fox – Slieverue, Australia  
Michael Foran – 20 Comeragh View  
Mary O’Brien – Comeragh View (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)  
William Phelan – Skelpstown  
Michael Butler – Clonmore  
Mary & Margaret Cahill – Clonmore  
John Mahon, Ballybrazil  
Catherine & Michael Cullen – Wexford  
John & Denis Egan – Cloncunny  
Jim O’Brien – Dournane Road  
Rita Croke – Chapel Street  
William Quinn  
Ramie Wall – Clogga  
Nora Jones – Main St  
Eileen Walsh – Clogga  
William Kearns - Barronswood

### **Recently Deceased**

Larry Nolan – Longford formerly Grange Road  
Ellen Holden – Romford, Essex formerly St. Annes Tce.