



The Grapevine

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Thought for the Week

More and more people are becoming conscious that our God is not just a powerful Lord telling us to obey or be punished, but our God is *family*. Our God is three persons in love with each other: our God is communion. And this beautiful and loving God is calling us humans into this life of love. We are not alone; we are called together to drop barriers, to become vulnerable, to become one. The greatest thirst of God is that “they may be one, perfectly one, totally one.” But we have to die all the powers of egoism in ourselves in order to be reborn for their new and deeper unity where our uniqueness and personal gifts and creativity are not crushed but enlivened and enhanced.

Community means caring: caring for people. Dietrich Bonhoeffer says: “he who loves community destroys community; he who loves the brethren builds community.” A community is not an abstract ideal. We are not striving for perfect community. Community is not an ideal; it is people. It is you and I. In community we are called to love people just as they are with their wounds and their gifts, not as we would want them to be. Community means giving them space, helping them to grow. It means also receiving from them so that we too can grow. It is giving each other freedom; it is giving each other trust; it is confirming but also challenging each other. We give dignity to each other by the way we listen to each other, in a spirit of trust and of dying to oneself so that the other may live, grow and give.

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. If you have a Special Intention that you would like to be prayed for, please come along and join us and the rosary will be offered for your intention.

Tue – Friday:

10.00am – Mooncoin

Thurs 10am – 8pm:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Nagle Chapel

Friday – The First Friday:

The Sick and the Housebound will be visited Thursday & Friday

Note:

If I am not available and in a case of emergency – please contact Fr. Brian Flynn – 087 2828391 or 051 885122.

Notices

Ferrybank Library

Irish Newspaper Archives – The Library has a subscription to this service which is available to members of the library. These archives contain electronic versions of Irish newspapers from the 1700's to current day. The Munster Express dates from 1908 to present day and The Kilkenny People dates from 1923 to present date. Via this website you can do a word search of all the published material on the site and it will lead you to the original page of the newspaper.

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 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.

Bealtaine Festival 2015 – Bealtaine, the annual event promoting creativity in older age concludes this week. Following is the list of events taking place this final week in Ferrybank Library.

“**Mindfulness – Inspirational Discussion**”, FREE - Wednesday 27th May 3pm–4pm Last chance to participate in this enlightening event.

‘**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..... Concludes Tuesday 26th May - 3:00-4:30pm

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

For further information on any of the above, please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200 or email

ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie

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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

Hurlers Co-Op Piltown Draw commences on 9th June. Tickets are now in circulation and may be got from any club member. Thank you for your support. 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 1st October until the 1st 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.

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:

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

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.

Organist Required

An organist is required for weekend and funeral liturgies. If interested please contact the Parish Office – 051 895123. Thank You.

Saint Vincent De Paul

Monthly collection next week end June 6th & 7th. Thank you for your continued support.

Feile - Bingo

A Bingo Night will be held in Kilmacow Parish Hall on Friday 5th June at 8pm. All funds raised will go towards sending Kilmacow’s Under 14’s Hurling Team to Belfast as they represent Kilkenny in the 2015 Feile Competition. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Fun Fiesta - Kilmacow

The Annual Kilmacow Fun Fiesta will take place on Monday 1st June at 1pm. All the usual events including Treasure Hunt, Climbing Wall, Inflatable Nike Runner Slide, Bingo, Zumo Soccer, Hurling Blitz, Spinner, Tea Rooms, Barbeque and many more. All funds raised go towards the Sports Complex. Please come along and support this great event. Thank You.

June Collection

The June Collection for the Priests is due at this time (Blue Envelope in your box of envelopes). Thank you for your continued support. Enjoy the bank holiday and drive safely.

Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday 1st June due to the Bank Holiday.

Hospice Foundation Conference

Conversations around death are never easy but they need to be encouraged, therefore we are holding a Forum on End of Life in Ireland. Prominent national and international speakers will speak on a range of issues including decision making at end of life, the role of health care, coping with bereavement etc. This forum is open to the public and professionals interested in End of Life Care. For more information please log onto www.hospicefoundation.ie

Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers
Mooncoin

Cleaners: 6th June
Collectors: June

Mary Grace, Noeleen Kinsella, Margaret Crowley

Sat 6.30pm
Sun 11.15am
Eucharistic Ministers: June
Sat 6.30pm
Sun 11.15am
Readers - Sat 6th June
Sun 7th June

Joan Thornton, Niamh Thornton
Dermot Barlow, Seamus O'Brien

Anne Power, Monica Hassett, Bridget McGrath
Alice Kelly, Sarah Kinsella, Mary English
Claire Bowe, Jack Conway
Geraldine Purcell, Margaret Hayes

Carrigeen

Collectors: June
Cleaners: 6th June
Eucharistic Ministers: 7th June
Readers: 7th June

John Hogan, Dick Madden
Teresa Comerford, Joan Dunphy
Mary Murphy, Mgt. Brennan
Pat & Siobhan Dunphy

Kilnaspic

Cleaners: 6th June
Eucharistic Ministers: 6th June
Readers: 6th June

K. Walsh, C. Norris
Mary Frisby
Clare Walsh

Anniversaries

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Dickson Comerford, Clogga
Vincent Fitzpatrick, Waterford
William Walsh, Knockanure
Michael Hayes, Asdee, Co. Kerry
Neddy Foran, Ardera
Kathleen Kinsella Snr., Dournane
Denis Kinsella, Dournane,
Nonie Dunphy, Ballygorey
Sr. Josephine Walsh, Clogga, Sisters of Mercy