



The Grapevine

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

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Thought for the Week

The Meaning of Easter

What the Resurrection of Jesus promises is that things can always be new again. It is never too late to start again. No betrayal is final. No sin is unforgiven. Every form of death can be overcome. Grief, anger and bitterness can give way to surprise, newness and freshness.

In the resurrection there are no doors that are eternally closed to us. God always opens another for us. The Resurrection assures us that God never gives up on us even if we give up on ourselves. God writes straight with the crooked lines of our lives. God promises new life to all and we can begin to believe that all will be well in the end including our own lives.

The challenge to believe in the Resurrection is not just to believe that Jesus rose from the dead. It is also to know that no matter what our mistakes are, we can begin each day afresh, allowing ourselves to be stunned by the newness of it all. No matter what we've done, our future is full of wonderful new possibility.

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 is the annual event promoting creativity in older age. Ferrybank Library has a packed program of events starting at 3:00pm Wednesday 6th May with a FREE “Mindfulness – Inspirational Discussion”, which will run every Wednesday throughout May. Limited spaces. Registration necessary.

Citizens Information Drop-In Service – Thursday 7th May, 10:00am – 1:30pm. No appointment necessary. Pop in for FREE impartial and confidential information.

‘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, maps, etc..... Starting Tuesday 12th 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.

Decorative Craft & Textiles for Adults – Create with Angelina Fibres making a Butterfly Bag or miniature wallhanging or journal cover. Make & Paint plaster clay moulds for vintage brooches and other decorations. €5 per workshop. Starting Saturday 9th May from 11:00am - 12:30pm for four weeks. Limited spaces. Registration necessary.

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, which 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.

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

Pentecost- Birthday of the Church

Holy Spirit – Novena in preparation for Pentecost – Birthday of the Church will take place in Mooncoin Parish Church on Friday 15th May to Saturday 23rd May at 8pm. “Fan into a flame the gift you have received.” Each (Liturgy) Celebration will consist of a time of song and praise; Novena prayer; Teaching each night with the Word of God with a speaker. Topics will include The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, God’s Love, Living the Life that Jesus wants us to live, New Life etc.

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.

Childminder Required

Occasional weekend work. To be minded in their own home. Please call (087) 7930508.

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

The Rose 10/5K Fun Run/ Walk will take place on Monday May 4th Annual Family Fun Day – Sunday, 30th August.

Right4ufitness

Saturday 8.30am for a fun filled hour of exercise at the Iverk Show Grounds, Piltown. Suitable for all levels. Any queries please find us on www.facebook/right4ufitness or call/text Noelette or Emer 087 2601202.

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.

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion: Mooncoin – Saturday 23rd May @ 11am & Carrigeen – Saturday 16th May @ 11am. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

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.

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 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

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.

Home Carer/Help Required

Assistance required for Elderly Lady in her own home – Carrigeen Area – Contact: 087 9529509.

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.

Irish Cancer Society

Our annual Church Gate Collection will take place on 16th & 17th May. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Parish Office

Monday Bank Holiday – The parish office will be closed. Have a good week and drive carefully.

Parish Pastoral Council

Meeting on Tuesday 5th May at 8pm in the Parish Room.

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.”

Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers

Mooncoin

Cleaners: 9th May

Hannah O’Shea, Michelle Ford, Margo O’Brien, Martina O’Reilly

Collectors: May

Sat 6.30pm

Michael Lannon, Joan Thornton

Sun 11.15am

Kieran O’Brien, Seamus O’Brien

Eucharistic Ministers: May

Sat 6.30pm
Sun 11.15am
Readers - Sat 9th May
Sun 10th May

Teresa Connolly, Gertie Butler, Catherine Skehan McDonald
Tina Fitzgerald Alice Phelan, Brandon Power
Richard Wilson, Claire Bowe
Joe Cashin, Jack Conway

Carrigeen

Collectors: May
Cleaners: 9th May
Eucharistic Ministers: 10th May
Readers: 10th May

Patrick Dunphy, John Bowe
Siobhan Walsh, Breda Ryan
Declan Walsh, Mgt. Brennan
Tom & Josephine Jones

Kilnaspic

Cleaners: 9th May
Eucharistic Ministers: 9th May
Readers: 9th May

K. Bardon, K. Kinsella
Bernadette Walsh
Jason Dunphy

Welcome

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

Anniversaries

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Fedele Russo, Italy & Mooncoin
Richard Walsh, Clogga
Patrick O'Brien, Grange
Peggy O'Brien, Grange
James O'Brien, Grange
Peggy Laffin, St. Anne's Tce.,
Mai Finn, Grange Road
Ned Comerford, Clogga
Annie Graham, Nee Comerford, Dublin
Frank Walsh, Australia & Filbuckstown
Teresa Egan, Cloncunny
Walter Cleary, Clonmore
All the deceased members of the Cleary Family – Clonmore
Tom O'Reilly, Polerone Green
James Kiely, Williamstown
Fay Koenig, Nee Clancy, Carrick On Suir & Boston
Mary B Walsh, Crawn
Stasia, Patrick, Edmond, Hannah, Kathleen, Walter & Johannah Walsh, Aglish
Theresa Watts, Nee Walsh

Months Mind

John Boy Kavanagh