



Thought for the Week

God of my life,
Help me to appreciate the special way
That you have gifted me.

So that I will be fully alive
and so that many others
Will be better for having met me or known me.

Help me to be free, loving and generous.
Give me a generous heart,
So that I will discover the things
That are really worth living for.

When I'm down and life is tough,
Don't let me lose heart,
And show me that you are always
There by my side.

Masses During the Week

Mon – Wednesday: 9.30am in Mooncoin

Friday: 9.30am in Mooncoin

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

Notices

Ferrybank Library

Valentine's Day - Send a Valentine Card to Ferrybank Library and tell us 'Why You Love Your library'. The most creative entry will win a prize. Open to adults and children alike. Closing date for entries is Saturday 11th February 2017

Junior Book Club - Afterschool Book Club which is open to 4th, 5th and 6th classes. Enjoy a fun time discussing your favourite books with other like-minded students. Starts Tuesday 7th March @ 3:30pm and thereafter the first Tuesday of each month. If you would like to register, please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200 or just come along on the day. All welcome!

English Conversation Class – Are you looking to improve your English? If so, we have an informal class just for you – join in English Conversation; Practice Speaking in English; Learn about your Local Community; etc... If you are interested in taking part in this class or would like to help out in any way, please come along to Ferrybank Library on Tuesday mornings from 10:00am. All are welcome.

Exhibition Space Available - If you would like to exhibit Crafts, Painting, Photographs etc... contact the library on 051 897200 to discuss.

If you have any queries, please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200 or ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie

Nagle Chapel

The Nagle Chapel is available each Saturday evening at 6.30pm and Sunday morning at 11.15am for any young families with children. You may enter from the outside. Some child friendly materials are available and also toilet facilities upstairs. All are welcome.

Mooncoin/Carrigeen/Kilnaspic Liturgy Readers

Please note if you are unable to read please contact another reader to do it for you. Thank You.

Nagle Chapel Mooncoin

Pobal De Prayer Group invite new and past members to join us on Tuesday evenings from 7pm - 8pm. All are very welcome

Home Care Services for the Elderly

Affordable Live In Homecare provide live in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in-carer for your relative, please call Mary or Tom on 0879916791 or visit www.alhomecare.ie

Health & Wellbeing

Gina Ryan is providing a personal service with natural, chemical free, Aloe Vera based products ranging from everyday essentials which can be used from birth, sports and fitness products, skincare and beauty, animal care, products to naturally support the digestive system, immune system and healthy joints. 100% nutritionally correct weight management programmes are also available. Call Gina on 0863958826 for information

The Rite of Baptism for Children

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated in our parish at 5pm on the following days:

Carrigeen—1st Saturday of every month

Mooncoin—2nd Saturday of every month

Kilnaspic—3rd Saturday of every month

To arrange a baptism contact the Parish Office on 895123. We ask parents to give 3-4 weeks' notice. Two members of the preparation team will visit each family before the baptism with a Pack for Parents which consists of all the information you require. This pack will also include the prayers and readings for the celebration and a house blessing. As baptism is a community celebration—all children will be presented to the faith community on a designated day each year.

Be Vigilant When Parking!!

We advise all to take due care when parking your car. Please ensure no valuables are visible and doors are locked as we are not responsible for the safety of your car whilst parked either on Church grounds or Parish Hall grounds. Thank you.

Thinking of Getting Married?

If you are thinking of getting married please contact the Parish Office to book the church and also to receive the Marriage Booklet which guides you through the steps to be taken prior to the marriage. **Both parties must give at least three month notice to their Parish and to the State.** A Pre Marriage Course is required. The following documentation is required: **Baptismal Certificate** issued within 6 months of your proposed marriage. **Confirmation Certificate, A Letter of Freedom** is required if you lived permanently outside of your present parish for a period of 6 months or more. **A Pre Marriage Course Certificate.** When you have all the documentation make an appointment with the priest to complete the Pre-Nuptial Enquiry Form. For further details please contact the Parish Office - 051 895123 or please see www.gettingmarried.ie

A Sacred Space

Grounds beside the Church, The Nagle Chapel, Grotto and the Sisters Cemetery is a place of reflection and prayer. Entry is from the side of the Church. We would like to put a few seats in the area, they are expensive. If you could see your way of making a donation towards the same would be very much appreciated, As from now there is no access from the Convent grounds to the Church. Access outside to the Nagle Chapel and the Prayer Garden is from the right hand side of the Church.

Family Quiet Time

We are encouraging all individuals and families to have a quiet time each week in their home to pray and reflect. For those who are into social media why not try 'Sacred Space' or '3 minute retreat' by Loyola Press. Download for free on your device. From Google Play Store.

Ninth World Meeting of Families during 2018

Hosting a Global event of this size requires a huge amount of planning and financial outlay to support this endeavour, a second collection will be taken up after Holy Communion next week at all the masses. This collection will be an extra collection for the next three years and it is a national collection. Thank you for your support. "The strength of the family lies in its capacity to love and to teach how to love" Pope Francis.

The Irish Cancer Society

The Irish Cancer Society's 'Volunteer Driver Service' is a free transport service available to patients undergoing chemotherapy treatment. To avail of this service, please talk to your healthcare professional or call Rebecca in the Irish Cancer Society on 01 2316 642.

Hospital Visits

Please contact the Parochial House and let Fr. Larry know if you or your loved ones or neighbours are ill at home or hospital and would like a visit (taking into account any restrictions on visits that may occur from time to time). Thank You.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

Confirmation will take place in Mooncoin on Sunday 7th May 2017. First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 27th May 2017 in Mooncoin and on Saturday 20th May 2017 in Carrigeen.

Anniversaries/Notices

All anniversaries/months mind/notices etc. must be telephoned, handed in or emailed to the Parish Office only. The office opening hours are as follows: - Mon 9.30am -4pm, Tuesday 9am – 4pm, Wednesday 9am -3pm, Thursday & Friday 9.30am – 1.30pm. The Parish Office can be contacted at 051-895 123 or email mooncoin@ossory.ie

AIM HIGH – Parish Ministry for Young People

The AIM HIGH Parish Ministry Programme was developed to encourage young people to take an active part in their Church, parish and community. It helps young people to understand that religion is not just for learning, nor is it a list of rules, but that it is for living, for living life to the full. More importantly it is a journey of faith.

Upon completion, participants will have learned skills to:

Learn and grow spiritually - Participate in Parish Liturgies - Minister in their Parish Communities - Develop practices for self-awareness and self-development. Recipients of the programme will be able to enhance their CV's by: Proving their ability to commit to a project, and Displaying their personal responsibility to develop, improve and grow. AIM HIGH is open to all young people 16 years and over. The award is flexible, non-competitive and requires an ongoing commitment. The program is coordinated through the Parish, in conjunction with parish organisations, second level schools and youth clubs.

Folk Group

Choir practice takes place every Tuesday from 8-9pm for the Folk Group in Mooncoin Church. New members welcome.

Community Hall

Our Community Hall is up and running with a packed Schedule. If you want any information about classes and events please contact 083-1660 658.

Take Control of Your Life

Is your life restricted and compromised by chronic illness? Join our support groups to break the cycle and take control of your life. Weekly meetings at Grow Office, Barrack St Kilkenny Friday @ 11am. Contact Mary on 087 284 3424 or visit www.grow.ie

Carrigeen NS

Enrolment forms for new Junior Infants available from school office from Monday to Friday (9am to 12.30pm). Alternatively, forms can be downloaded from our website at www.carrigeenns.com or email us at carrigeen.scoil@gmail.com

Carrigeen Preschool

Carrigeen Community Preschool is planning to provide an afternoon session from 12:15 to 3:15pm in January. Families who are interested can contact the preschool: Phone No. 0861525631 to enrol their child.

Thomas Hayes Trust

The Thomas Hayes trust is an organisation I founded in order to provide much needed counselling services and family supports to those effected by suicide, and people struggling with everyday life because of bullying, anxiety, panic attacks etc. We welcome children, teenagers and adults to avail of our services, therefore, raising the awareness that "it's okay not to feel ok, and to ask for help. The door of Teac Tom is open Monday to Friday from 9.30 to 3 and for appointments, so people can come in for a chat and a cuppa. We understand this time of year may be extremely busy but we would greatly appreciate your support. Together we can tear down the walls of silence that surround mental health.

Envelopes:

Weekly Envelope Boxes for 2017 have been distributed and you should have received them by now. Sincere thanks to those who helped distribute them. The weekly envelopes helps to defray parish expenses: E.S.B., Insurance, Heating of churches, Altar Supplies, Repairs and Day to Day expenses. The specials (Dues, Lenten, November, Christmas, Easter and June are for the support of the clergy. Those wishing to contribute to parish funds by way of Direct Debit – please contact me. Please use envelopes for the current year and destroy any old envelope as their use may lead to confusion and cause an error. Please make out CHEQUES in favour of Mooncoin Church, Carrigeen or Kilnaspic Church or Clergy Account. Thank you.

Weekly Envelopes:

Thanks to all who contribute to the parish funds, your support in very much appreciated. The percentage of envelopes returned for 2016 to-date is 48.94% (overall) 958 envelopes were issued and 162 (Weekly) and 170 (Dues) were returned. For your information the Tax Relief Scheme is of great benefit to the Parish if contributions reach €250. Once again Thanks to all who contributed.

Help Wanted:

Flowers: People required to help out with the floral arrangement in Mooncoin church.

Readers: I am looking for people to help make out the Rota for the year for the readers.

Eucharistic Minister / Readers: Anyone who would like to become a Eucharistic Minister or Reader can they please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible so their name can be placed on the Rota.

Please contact the Parish Office if you are interested or available in helping out with any of these positions.

Congratulations

And well done to the Mooncoin Junior Hurlers last Sunday in their superb win against Lamh Dhearg from Antrim in the AIB All-Ireland Junior Hurling Club Championship Semi-Final. Our next opponents are Mayfield from Cork on Saturday 18th February in Croke Park in the Final. Throw in is at 3pm.

The Cemetery Masses 2017

Will take place on the following dates:

Carrigeen— Friday 2nd June at 8pm.

Mooncoin (new) - Sat 3rd June at 6.30pm.

Mooncoin (old) - Friday 9th June at 8pm.

Kilnaspic—Saturday 2nd July at 7.30pm.

St. Vincent de Paul

The next Conference Meeting is due to be held on Monday 6th February at 7.30pm in the Nagle Chapel.

Childminder Wanted

Experienced childminder required to look after four children in their own home in the Carrigeen area. Minders own car is essential, must be available to drop and collect children from school every day. Please contact 087-286 1673 or 086-829 2148 for more information.

Scoil Mhuire N.S.

We are now taking Enrolments for September 2017. If you have not received an Application Form from the local Playschool/Montessori, please contact the school before 13th February on 051-895 503.

Mooncoin GAA Juvenile Club Registration Night 2017

Registration for both the Juvenile and Camogie Club members will take place on Friday 10th February from 7.30 - 9pm upstairs in the GAA complex. Children must have started in junior infants in September 2016 in order to register and play for the club at New beginners/U6 level for this 2017 season.

Silver Circle—Week 13

€200 Vinny Kearns-Clogga, €100 John Flynn-Castlemartyr, €50 John Crowley-Polerone, €20 Niamh Madden-Ballinlough, Julie Murphy-Rathkieran, Kathleen Launders-Suir Crescent, Rachel O'Brien-Chapel St. John Hassett-Whitehall, Eoin Doyle-Ashgrove, Sean Tubritt-New Aglish, Seanie Tyler-Polerone, Catherine Doran-Comeragh View, Michael O'Keeffe-Polerone, Eithne Ponce de Leon-Filbuckstown, Lucy Quinn-Lr Corluddy, Margaret Phelan-Luffany, Ann Egan-Roseleigh, Richard Howley-Ballytarsney, Brian Foskin-Cork, Kathleen Mackey-Carrick Road, Alan Conway-Roseleigh, Maurice Kelly-Dournane, Trish Conway-Rathcurby.

Mullinavat Bingo

Takes place in the Mullinavat Community Centre on Thursday 23rd February at 8.00pm. Doors open at 7.30pm. €850.00 in prizes to be won. All are very welcome to attend.

Childcare Manager / Room Leader Required

In Carrigeen Community Preschool. Part Time (up to 22.5 hours per week) 38 weeks annually.

Fetac Level 7/8 required with 3 years practice experience and 1 years management preferably. Knowledge of DCYA Schemes essential and experience of DCYA scheme administration desirable. Excellent communication, interpersonal & organisational skills required. Please send CV to Carrigeen Community

Preschool, Carrigeen, Via Waterford or email to carrigeencommunitypreschool@gmail.com. Closing date for applications is Friday 3rd March.

Pope Francis invites us to celebrate St. Valentine's Day!

In his document on The Joy of Love (*Amoris Laetitia*), Pope Francis refers directly to Saint Valentine's Day as an opportunity to make the most of traditional religious practices, invite couples to grow in love and help their children to prepare for their future married life. This is why, as part of the preparations for World Meeting of Families in Ireland in August 2018, we invite you to mark this St. Valentine's Day in a special way. The WMOF2018 office has prepared flyers with ideas on how to mark this special day and gift tokens that you can give to your loved ones this 14th February. These are available in each Cathedral across Ireland, Veritas Shops and Accord centres and can also be downloaded from the WMOF2018 website: www.worldmeeting2018.ie. The tokens include: a technology-free evening to do an activity of your choice; set aside time for prayer, go for a hand-in-hand walk together; a special dinner cooked by me, loads of tender hugs; a journey down memory lane: take time to remember how we met and have grown together; pray together as a couple.

Available Services – People Do Care!

Kilkenny Bereavement Support:	056- 775 6538
Your local Priest: Mooncoin Parochial House	051- 895 123
Support after Homicide: (7 Days)	087-983 7322
Suicide Prevention Help line	1800 742 745
Samaritans: -	
Kilkenny	056-776 5554 / 1850 60 90 90
Waterford	051-872 114
Freephone	116 123
Waterford Drop in 16 Beau Street 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.	

Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers

Mooncoin

Cleaners: 11th Feb

Bridget McGrath, Pauline Tobin,
Elsie McGrath, Ellen Fitzpatrick

Collectors: February

Sat 6.30pm

Therese Walsh, Michael Lannon

Sun 11.15am

Kieran O'Brien, Kathleen O'Brien

Eucharistic Ministers: February

Sat 6.30pm

Hannah O'Shea, Monica Hassett, Bridget McGrath

Sun 11.15am

Alice Kelly, Catriona Cooney

Readers: February

Sat 11th Feb 6.30 pm

Lucy Quinn, John Lennon

Sun 12th Feb 11.15am

Mary Grace, Brid Hennigan

Carrigeen – 10am Sunday

Collectors: Feb

Cleaners: 11th Feb

Eucharistic Ministers: 12th Feb

Readers: 12th Feb

John Bowe, Joe Dunphy, Frances Dunphy
Mary Dalton & Teresa O'Neill

Margaret Brennan & PJ O'Leary
Ned & Eimear Phelan

Kilnaspic – 7.30pm Saturday

Cleaners: 11th Feb

Eucharistic Ministers: 11th Feb

Readers: 11th Feb

Amanda Walsh,
Mary Rochford
Bernadette Walsh
Kitty Kinsella

Welcome

We welcome into our Faith the following who were baptized recently: Oisín Gerard Walsh.

Months Mind

Tom Nolan, Grange

Anniversaries

Tadhg Cronin, Ballincollig, (1st Anniversary)
John Kinsella, Ardera
John & Johanna Kinsella, Barrabehy
John & Nancy Carberry, Carrigeen
Packie Walsh Taylor, Portnascully
Tom O'Toole. Rathcurby
Nora Walsh, Clogga Cottage
The Walsh Family, Clogga, Kilmacow & London

Recently Deceased

Anna Walsh (nee Cleary), Clogga