

Vol. 25 No. 10 Third Sunday of Lent 8<sup>™</sup> March 2015

# Thought for the Week

#### How to Find Time in the Day of Lent

The fast pace of your life may seem to leave little time and energy for the traditional Lenten practices, but you can weave moments of spiritual awareness and service into even the busiest of schedules. The trick is to see Lenten practices as part of, rather than in addition to, each activity of your ordinary hectic day.

The three foundational practices of Lent are prayer, fasting and aims giving. Here's how to think about them in a new way:

## **Praying Daily**

If you make a habit of saying a little prayer whenever someone irritates you, cuts you off in traffic or makes life difficult; when someone does you a favour, you experience great and friendly service or when something joyful happens to you – you will soon find yourself praying your way through the day.

### **Different Types of Fasting**

There are many ways to fast. Why not fast from criticism, gossip, judging others or passing on rumours? Why not abstain from unwarranted fear and anxiety? You can also tell that inner voice inside you head that criticizes you to abstain from eroding your ability to be the confident, blessed person God calls you to be.

### Give of Yourself

Daily life also offers countless opportunities to give of yourself to others (aims), and most don't involve dipping into your wallet. Give encouragement to the doubting, give a word of praise to the insecure, show kindness to someone who could use a friend, and offer a word of thanks to those whose service of others often goes unappreciated.

# Masses during the week - Note Change of Times

**Monday:** 7pm - Mooncoin **Tue - Fri:** 10am - Mooncoin

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

## **Notices**

#### **Ferrybank Library News**

Computer Classes - ETB [Education Training Board] will commence computer classes in April.

The programme aims to

- 1. Access Windows environment, create a document, use File Management, Internet and email software.
- 2. This course has been designed to introduce learners with little or no previous knowledge of computers to the basics of Information Communications Technology [ICT]. Topics covered in this course include: Computer Basics; Desktop; etc...
- 3. Certification on completion of Equal Skills Workbook.

If interested in partaking in this course, please contact the library to register.

**Cupla Focal?** – if you're interested in using yours, our Irish Circle will be meeting on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 2:30pm.

This is an informal session where the group have a chat as Gaeilge. All are welcome.

**Art & Craft** classes for children 6years +. Dates: March 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> @ 3:15 – 4:30pm. €3 per class. Limited spaces. Register your name at library.

**World Book Day Quiz** - Reminder - to return your entries by 1:30pm on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015. Good Luck to All.

**A Range of Services** - Remember your local library offers photocopying, printing, scanning, Internet & WiFi. We also have a community notice board for promotion of local events. We also hold a range of forms for your convenience.

**FREE** events taking place in Ferrybank Library for Adult Learners' Festival

#### Follow us on Facebook and Twitter

For further information on any of the above, please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200 or email <a href="mailto:ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie">ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie</a>

### 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.

### **Kilnaspic AGM**

Kilnaspic AGM will take place on Sat 14th March immediately after 8pm mass. All are welcome

## **Dates to Remember**

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

## 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 18: €200 Janette Reid-Dournane Road, €100 Melissa Walsh-Grange, €50 Mary Walsh-Lr Corluddy, €20 Beth Dunphy-C/O Hannah Ryan, Carmel Purcell-Middlequarter, Jodie Laffan-Aglish, Ann Hearn-Kilnaspic, Niall Mackey-Clonmore, Maurice Nolan-Grange, Michael Fewer-Ballinlough, Dean Reade-Comeragh View, Tommy Purcell-Corluddy, Clare Croke-Grange, Anthony O'Neill-Ballinlough, Roisin Sweeney-Comeragh View, Mary Dowley-Clonmel, Andy Phelan-Ballytarsney, B. C & D Kearns-Ardera, Tom Holden-Main St., The Lotto Club-C/O P. Crowley, Ann Rowe-Suir Crescent, Bernard Mackey-Clonmore, Paul Winters-Roseleigh.

## **Safety Note**

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

## 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 Mon/Tue/Thurs 10.00 – 2.30 & Friday 9.15 – 12.15.

#### 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.

## **Set Dancing**

Set Dancing is due to return shortly. Are you interested in joining? If so please contact Joan Thornton – 087 7774688. Thank You.

#### **Cemetery Masses**

The following dates have been set for this year's cemetery masses:

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June @ 6.30pm Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June @ 8pm Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June @ 8pm Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July @ 8pm

## **Lenten Programme 2015**

Drug Awareness & Alcohol Abuse – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm in The Youth Centre – Parish Hall – Speakers are John Healy & Jo Maher – Refreshments afterwards in the Parish Hall, Healing and Reconciliation - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March @ 7.30pm in Mooncoin Church - Speaker Fr. Philip Brennan - Refreshments afterwards in the Nagle Chapel. Dr. Fergus Heffernan will be giving a talk and workshop during Lent – Date to be confirmed. On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March from 10am to 1pm a time of evaluation and planning for 2015 – 2016 will take place with Sr. Antoinette Dilworth as facilitator. Any suggestions or ideas are welcome. Contact the parish office or any member of the parish council.

## **Childminder Required**

Experienced Childminder required in the Mooncoin Area to mind two young children in their own home 2/3 days per week. For further information please contact 086 4039156.

#### **Lenten Texts**

Each day at 12 noon a short text message is sent to those who have submitted their mobile number with a simple thought or prayer. The text is to encourage people to reflect for a moment on something or to pause and say a brief prayer, think of someone, or decide to do something small that day. Should you wish to receive a Lenten Text please text your mobile number to Ossory Faith Development Group at 085-8313100, Email afd@ossory.ie, 056-7753624. This service to free of charge.

## **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 <a href="mailto:info@mooncoingaa.ie">info@mooncoingaa.ie</a>. Equally, if you are looking for some gear please email what gear you are looking for along with your contact number also to <a href="mailto:info@mooncoingaa.ie">info@mooncoingaa.ie</a>. (No names will be listed on the website of those looking for gear). Further details available on our website.

#### **Registration for 2015**

Registration will take place for the Juvenile Club members on Friday 27th from 7-9pm upstairs in the complex. € 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.

## **Ministers of the Eucharist – Course**

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March & Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Ballyhale Parish Church at 7.30pm – Attendance is required on the 3 nights. Contact 056-7753624 for further details.

## **Youth Pilgrimage to Knock**

Young People aged 16 – 20 are invited to participate on a Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2015. Cost €20 payable to John Paul 2 Account c/o St. Mary's Parish Office, James St., Kilkenny. Bus leaving Kilkenny 7.30am sharp. Pick up points en-route can be arranged. Spiritual Director Fr. Willie Purcell

## St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund Draw

Annual prize fund is €60,000 and the subscription is €120 per annum or €10 per month. St. Mary's Cathedral is the 'Mother Church' of our diocese and it should be restored to its former glory. We hope that all the people of the diocese will come together and support this fundraiser. We are looking for volunteers to promote the draw. Tickets available at the Parish Office.

#### **Financial Statement**

Financial Statement is available at the back of the 3 churches and at the Parish Office. Thanks for supporting your parish.

## **Bowles**

The Game of Bowles is re-commencing in the Day Centre every Wednesday morning at 11am. Great fun to be had – All are welcome.

#### **Mooncoin GAA**

Card Handicap on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April at 9pm in the Complex. €10 entry per person for 1<sup>st</sup> Round, €5 entry from there on. Refreshments served – All are welcome.

## **Enable Ireland/O'Neill Centre**

Thank you to all who helped with the collection recently. A total of €495.60 was collected. Thanks to one and all.

### Mooncoin GAA Juvenile and Camogie Club

There was a great turn out at registration last Friday night. Welcome to all new and existing members. Still to register?, you can download the registration form from our website <a href="www.mooncoingaa.ie">www.mooncoingaa.ie</a> or collect a copy from the club office. Return completed forms to David at 087 1222373 or relevant team manager.

#### **Art Therapy Service**

Professional Art Therapy Service available locally for children, adolescents and adults. Art Therapy is a creative way to help deal with issues such as anxiety, stress, sadness, behavioural difficulties or a bereavement. Contact Kathleen Kelly on 051 896964 or 087 6419226 for further information.

## Saint Vincent de Paul

Conference Meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March in The Parish Room at 7.30.

## Sale of Work

Sale of Work in aid of Spring Garden & Respite Centre on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 1pm in The Parish Hall. All the usual stalls, spinner, bottle stall, cakes, fruit, veg and garden plants etc. Donations will be gratefully

accepted for this deserving cause which is of service to Mooncoin Parish and all surrounding areas. Contact 895155 for further information. Please drop donations to the Parish Hall between 10am – 2pm daily. Thank

## Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers Mooncoin

Cleaners: March 14<sup>th</sup> Elizabeth Lennon, Rene Comerford, Alice Conway, Noreen Holden

**Collectors: March** 

**Sat 6.30pm** Therese Walsh, Michael Lannon Sun 11.15am Liam Delahunty, James Delahunty

**Eucharistic Ministers: March** 

**Sat 6.30pm** Kitty Grant, Noreen Holden, Alice Kelly

Sun 11.15am Catriona Cooney, Valerie Barlow, William Doyle

**Readers:** 

Sat 14<sup>th</sup> / 21st March 6.30pm Sun 15<sup>th</sup> / 22<sup>nd</sup> March 11.15am Ailish Conneely, Jonathan Crowley

Rachel & William Doyle

## Carrigeen

**Collectors: March** Ned Phelan, Michael Fewer, Noel Walsh

Cleaners 14<sup>th</sup> March Judy Doherty, Margo Delahunty **Eucharistic Ministers: 15<sup>th</sup> March** PJ O'Leary, Margaret Brennan **Readers: 15<sup>th</sup> March** Mary Fewer and Michael Fewe

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## Kilnaspic

Cleaners: 14<sup>th</sup> March J. Corcoran, J. Bardon

**Eucharistic Ministers: 14<sup>th</sup> Mar** Jason Dunphy Readers: 14<sup>th</sup> March Clare Walsh

# Anniversaries

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Eamon Corcoran, Cloneen Paul Tyler, Grange

Linda Holden, Clonmore

Walter O'Keeffe. Polerone

Maura Quinn, Main Street

Tom Foley, Main Street

Richard & Rosanna Mahon & Family, Cellbridge, London & Mooncoin

Johnny Walsh, Dournane Road Pat O' Hara, Comeragh Close

Siobhan (Dodie) Crowley, Mountneill

Joe Doyle, Luffany

Nancy & John Carberry, Aglish

John Keane, Ballytarsney

## **Recently Deceased**

Tom Delahunty – Barnacole, Kilnaspic

Peter Murphy – Nicholastown