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Feast of Christ the King

**BLESSINGS COME IN MANY GUISES**

When troubles come and things go wrong  
And days are cheerless and nights are long,  
We find it so easy to give in to despair  
By magnifying the burdens we bear.  
We add to our worries by refusing to try  
To look for the rainbow in an overcast sky,  
And the blessings God sent in a darkened disguise  
Our troubled hearts failed to recognise,  
Not knowing God sent it not to distress us  
But to strengthen our faith and redeem and bless us.

**Advent Evening for Eucharistic Ministers.**

The Pastoral Area, Templeorum, Kilmacow, Mooncoin parishes, is hosting an  
Advent Evening of Reflection and Renewal for Eucharistic Ministers.  
Venue: Nagle Chapel, Mooncoin. Time: 7.30 p.m. Date: Tuesday, 5th December

**CARDIAC FIRST RESPONSE INFORMATION NIGHT:** will take place in Mooncoin  
Parish Hall on Tuesday 5th December at 7pm. For further information, please  
contact Brian Nugent on: 087-612 8451

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**Masses 27th November - 1st December**

Monday Kilmacow 6.30pm  
 Tuesday Kilmacow 9.30am  
 Wednesday - Friday  
 Mooncoin 9.30am

Exposition of the blessed sacrament after mass on Thursdays up until 12 noon

**NB:** The church will be closed every evening from 5pm for the winter months, with the exception of Saturday when it will be closed after 7pm mass.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY**

Our annual Christmas Fair will be held on Sunday 3rd December @ 1pm in Mooncoin Parish Hall.

**Christmas Fair - Raffle Tickets:**

Raffle tickets for the Christmas Fair are now on sale. Please contact any member of the Hall Committee or call into the Parish Hall Monday - Thursday between 9.30am - 12pm.

Prizes include: Heating Oil, Firewood, Luxury Hamper, Bags of Coal, Turkey & Ham, Bottle of Brandy, Christmas Cake & Pudding plus many more

**Advent Retreat - Following Jesus in the Footsteps of St Francis as a Lay Person**  
 Capuchin Friary, Kilkenny. Sunday, 3rd December 3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.  
 Open to everyone – All welcome to come along

**Invitation to Christmas Carol Service**

Thursday 14th December @ 7.30pm in Piltown Church. This year we will host a 'Journey to Bethlehem' Carol Service. All are welcome whether a member of a choir or not. Contact Piltown Parish Office on 051 643 112 or templeorum@ossory.ie with any queries.

The Newsletter is available to view online at [www.mooncoinparish.ie](http://www.mooncoinparish.ie)

Christmas Mass Cards will be available from next week in the Parish Office

“Christmas in Kilnaspic’s carol service is on Friday, 22nd December at 7pm. All are welcome. There will be a Christmas craft and cake sale and a raffle with lovely prices.”

**St Vincent de Paul Annual Christmas Church Gate Collection**

Mooncoin: Saturday 2nd Dec @ 7pm  
 Mooncoin: Sunday 3rd Dec @ 10am  
 Carrigeen: Sunday 3rd Dec @ 8.50am  
 Kilnaspic: Sunday 10th Dec @ 8.50am  
 Thank you for your continued generosity it is very much appreciated.

**YOUNG AT HEART ANNUAL DINNER**

Wednesday 13th December. €25 per head. Names and money must be in by Wednesday 6th. Contact any member of the Day Centre.

**Decade of Centenaries Conference**

Saturday, 2nd December 2023  
 Official opening by Dr. Martin Mansergh at 10am. Panel discussion 1: Reflections on the Decade of Centenaries 2012 - 2023  
 Panel discussion 2: How will a future generation reflect on us one hundred years from now? Venue: Rhu Glenn Hotel, Slieverue. All welcome - free admission

**Totus Tuus Magazine** is a Catholic magazine, full of articles from Irish priests and laity, which aims to highlight the beauty and joy of our faith. It is going into its 7th year and is run by donations. If you haven't come across Totus Tuus Magazine and would like a free copy please contact Fiona Kiely on 086 8760058.

**Online Advent Retreat.** The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a FREE OF CHARGE online retreat 'Reflecting on the Sunday Gospels of Advent'  
 Visit our website [prioryinstitute.com](http://prioryinstitute.com) or click on this link [HERE](#) to register/find out more

| Mooncoin              | Date/Time             | Names                       | Date/Time           | Names                     |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Flowers               | November              | M. Wall K. Garland          |                     |                           |
| Readers               | Saturday 2nd December | Lucy Quinn<br>Joe Cashin    | Sunday 3rd December | Emily Doyle<br>Tom Grant  |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Saturday 2nd December | Clodagh Owens<br>Lucy Quinn | Sunday 3rd December | Kitty Grant<br>John Allen |

| Carrigeen             | Date/Time    | Names        |                 |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|
| Cleaners              | 2nd December | Mary Dalton  | Teresa O'Neill  |
| Readers               | 3rd December | Joe Sullivan | Nicholas Walsh  |
| Eucharistic Ministers | 3rd December | Declan Walsh | Margaret Phelan |
| Collectors            | 3rd December | Joe Dunphy   | Ned Phelan      |

| Kilnaspic             | Date/Time     | Names          |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Cleaners              | November      | K. Walsh       |
| Readers               | 10th December | P. Kinsella    |
| Eucharistic Ministers | 3rd December  | Kathleen Walsh |

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Martin Murty Walsh, Clogga

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Johnny Carroll, Old Luffany. Jo Carroll, Ballybrazil. Tom Foskin, Riverquarter. Gwen O'Hara, Comeragh View/Ferrybank. Joe Dolan, Polerone. Ellen & Michael Keane, Grange. John & Nora Aylward, Kilnaspic. Mary O'Meara (1st Anniversary). John Casey (1st Anniversary). Healy Family, Dungooley. Tony Kavanagh, Northampton, UK.

**Carrigeen / Kilnaspic Sunday Mass Schedule**  
 Masses are held in Carrigeen on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month (*and if there is a 5th Sunday*) Masses are held in Kilnaspic on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month.