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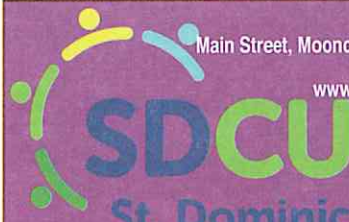
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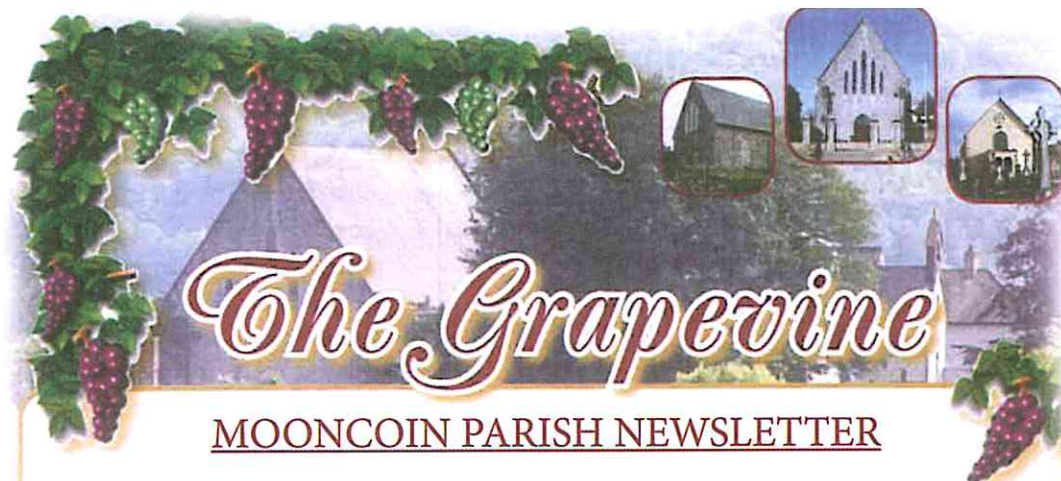


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## MOONCOIN PARISH NEWSLETTER

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15th March 2020

### IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL PARISHONERS

Due to the CORONAVIRUS outbreak  
the parish office will be closed to visitors until further notice.

However you can still contact us by phone or email during office hours.

There will be no publishing of our parish newsletter for the moment.

All relevant information will be updated on our website.

WE SINCERELY APOLOGISE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE CAUSED

### MOONCOIN PARISH OFFICE

Monday - Wednesday - Friday

9.45am - 12.45pm

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MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK  
N.B. Mass will be available on the radio and webcam only.

Details on the front page.  
SATURDAY 7PM SUNDAY 11AM  
ST PATRICKS DAY  
MONDAY 7PM TUESDAY 11AM

SAFEGUARDING CONCERNS If you have a child safeguarding concern or wish to raise a matter from the past you may contact any of the following: Diocesan Designated Persons Mr. Cathal Cullen 087 100 0232 or Ms. Rose Brophy 087 331 4330

MOONCOIN TWINNING: CAN YOU HELP?

We have French visitors arriving in Mooncoin between April 18th & April 25th. We are short of host families. It would entail hosting visitors for 5 days during this period and be assured they speak perfect English. If you can help please contact Tom Grant 085 832 2434 or Angela Hanlon 087 684 7691.

MOONCOIN PARISH MEN'S SHED

Unfortunately due to the Coronavirus outbreak we will be closing our shed until 29th March at the earliest. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped make our shed a cosy & welcoming place. Eddie Doyle for donating and delivering a container that we will be using for a workshop. We have a number of small projects in the pipeline and the container will be of great value to us when this work begins. We would also like to thank Johnny Hewetson for his help installing our wood burning stove. Ger Sutton for servicing our oil burner & the ladies who supplied cakes and buns on our opening day. Their help is greatly appreciated by all involved with the Mooncoin Parish Men's shed.

SOUTH EAST SIMON COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

Join us in the fight against homelessness by hosting a Coffee morning at home, in your workplace or anywhere you wish. Just visit

LENTEN OFFERINGS ARE NOW DUE. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Due to the recent outbreak of the Coronavirus on the Island we would advise people to protect themselves and others by making use of the sanitation devices in our churches. Thank you. General information can be obtained on the parish website.

PARISH FINANCE 2019. Please see the parish website and click on the link for the parish accounts 2019.

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL RESTORATION FUND DRAW 2020. First draw will take place on Wednesday 25th March.... Tickets are available in the Parish Office.

MOONCOIN PARISH HALL is closed until further notice. Anyone with keys are not permitted to enter the hall unless they contact a member of the Hall committee. Joe 087 761 2390. Thank you for your co-operation.

MOONCOIN DAY CENTRE IS CLOSE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

MOONCOIN GAA LUCKY DRAW FEBRUARY  
€500: Tommy Walsh. €200: Mary & Deirdre Quinn. €150: Sarah Crowley. €100 each: Jamie Carroll. John Grant Snr. Willie Grant. Ann Byrne. Tom Quinn. €50 each: John Crowley. Tony Roche.

MOONCOIN GAA LUCKY DRAW MARCH  
€500: Margaret Wall. €200: John Phelan  
€150: Shay O'Brien. €100 each: Kathleen Scully. Eleanor & John Healy. Billy Phelan. Barry & Noreen Purcell. Ciaran Blanchfield. €50 each: Fergal O'Hanlon. Sean Walsh.

BISHOP FARRELL HAS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING NORMS:

- All non-essential pastoral gatherings and meetings, such as formation gatherings, retreats & seminars are cancelled.
- All Confirmations are postponed until further notice
- Every Catholic is entitled to a dignified Christian burial. Attendance at funeral services and masses should be limited to close relatives and must not exceed 100 attendees within the church building
- Similarly, church weddings and baptisms may be celebrated on condition that the attendance in church does not exceed 100 people.
- In these difficult and uncertain times, people find strength, consolation and hope in prayer. Churches should remain open for prayer each day.

This is an occasion for us all, especially in families, to pray more intensely for each other and especially for those who have succumbed to the illness. We should pray also for those at the frontlines— especially doctors, nurses and medical staff and other carers, including clergy—that the Lord will protect them as they place their own wellbeing at risk in the service of all.

Baptisms are celebrated in our parish on the following all at 5pm

1st Saturday of the Month - Carrigeen  
2nd Saturday of the Month - Kilnaspic  
3rd Saturday of the Month - Mooncoin

We ask, for the protection of all, that baptisms are only attended by immediate family.

ANNIVERSARIES 14th/15th March: John Cody, Kilnaspic. Nora Foley, Main Street. Richie Kearns, Ardera / Kilaspy. Jennifer Ansary nee O'Brien (1st Anniversary) Thomas Wilson, Mooncoin Heights / Portlaw. Walter McDonald, Emil. Michael Joseph Sexton, Liverpool & Nicholastown. Bridget Nolan, Rathcurby. Paul & Siobhan Crowley, Mountneil.

ANNIVERSARIES 17th/21st/22nd March: Baby Cillian Mackey, Emil  
Walter Crowley, Polerone. Peter McCarthy, Grannagh. Maura Walsh, Polerone. Jackie Lannon, Suir Crescent Michael Conway, Main St/ Kingsmeadow Waterford. Eamonn Walsh, Mooncoin Heights. William Dunphy, Arizona. Mick Conway, Waterford/Mooncoin. Mary Ann O'Keeffe, Carrick Road.

ANNIVERSARIES 28th / 29th March: John Boy Kavanagh, Ballybrazil. Mickey 'Chucks' O'Keeffe, Middlequarter (1st Anniversary) Ned Browner, Grange. Claus Dunne, Newrath & formerly Mooncoin. James & Margaret O'Keeffe, Rathcurby.

We pray for all whose anniversary occurs at this time.

All anniversaries will be announced at the Mooncoin Masses on Saturday 7pm & Sunday 11am

