

Annual Local One Day Retreat to Lough Derg: 2nd May. For further details, please contact Mary Maguire 086 403 2364 / 041 68 51754 Or Rose Duff 086 845 8808 / 041 98 2254.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Wednesday 22nd June for 7 nights – cost €765 Spiritual Advisor Fr. Paul Montague. Phone James 087-2202173 for details.

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: from 26th September to 1st October through Marian Pilgrimages. The fare is: **€750 euro pp sharing** (Single Room Supplement 190 euro) The ongoing impact and uncertainty around the Covid-19 Pandemic means that we will not be in a position to provide Medical and Nursing Support in the Accueil Notre Dame to Assisted Pilgrims as in prior years. Those Pilgrims intending to travel will need to be able to travel independently or to be accompanied by a family member/carer who can provide all of their care and support needs. All applicants will be required to complete a comprehensive booking form, which will include Medical information. All applicants will need to provide proof of vaccination. While in Lourdes the Medical Team will be on call to serve the wider needs of our pilgrimage community & oversee the implementation of Covid Protocols, should the need arise. Bookings can be made through your local committee.



Diocesan Synodal Moment: will be on 10th May in the Armagh City Hotel. Tea/Coffee and sandwiches will be served from 6.15pm with the meeting proper starting at 7pm. Contact the Parish Office if you would like to attend.

The latest episode of the 'Just a Minute' video series (aimed at young people) that can be found on the Armagh Diocesan YouTube channel. The Topic this time Archbishop Eamon Martin Speaks about the Way of the Cross https://youtu.be/V_t7RFbqzI8

The Matt Talbot Prayer Society prays daily for those with addictions. You can enrol somebody to be prayed for each day as well as at the monthly Mass which takes place in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on the First Monday of each month at 7:30pm. We welcome everybody to join us in person or online. For more information, please visit www.matttalbotprayersociety.com where you can also enrol somebody via the online submission.

Readings for 24th April - Divine Mercy Sunday: Reading I: Acts 5:12-16
Responsorial Psalm: 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 **Reading II:** Revelation 1:9-11A, 12-13, 17-19 **Gospel:** John 20:19-31

Mullary Cemetery Draw: Last week 's Winning #11; Michael Devine; Jimmy Flood; **This week #15;** Marie Boylan, Rita Glass.



Parish of Monasterboice

(Mainistir Bhuithe)

Easter Sunday - Year C

17th April 2022

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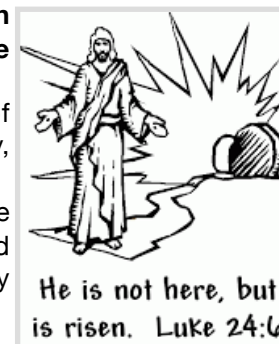
“WE ARE EASTER PEOPLE”

“If we Christians do not tell people the joy we have in Christ, the stones in the streets will cry out, because we are an Easter people & Alleluia is our song”.

These words of Pope St. John Paul II say something of supreme importance for Christians. Easter is our identity, our surname.

The first Christians had one thing; they had met the living Lord Jesus and he became their life and inspiration. They were full of his energy. He was all they needed.

When they celebrated, they celebrated the resurrection. That became their identity.



Our hope is that we too will be Easter People.

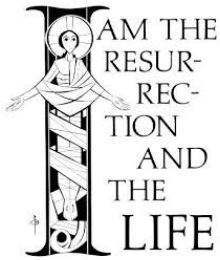
Will we let its energy saturate our lives? Will it be a mere word, a printout, OR an experience, an awareness of God raising us from the dead now?

At the Easter Vigil, we mark out on the Candle, '2022'. We were saying out loud, '**This is the Day!**' 'This is Easter **NOW!**'. It is new life for us **now**. It is new strength and courage **now**. This Risen Christ is God's supreme gift for us believers and for our world today - still so much in need.

Resurrection is what God does, always, for all!

The Blessings of Easter to all our families!

Thanks: to all who took part in the Easter Ceremonies, particularly our hard working Sacristans, without whom a lot of things would go undone. Special thanks must also go to Choir leaders & members, other musicians, ministers of the Word & Eucharist; collectors/stewards, those who tidied Church grounds, did flowers, and anyone who helped out this year. We thank God for the many gifts and gifted people in our parish. If you would like to consider volunteering for a ministry in the Church, please contact Fr. Paddy or the Parish office.



Octave: The concept of an “octave” has a long tradition in the liturgy. It is a way of celebrating a truly great feast by extending its observance through an entire week and in a sense “recapitulating” the feast on “the eighth day.” Nowhere is this more clearly seen than in the treatment of Easter in our current liturgical calendar. The “first day of Easter” (*Easter Sunday*) leads into an entire week of solemnities – days we rank as highest in importance.

Changes: Please note that Fr. Paddy will **not** be able to celebrate Mass on Easter Tuesday 19th April, or Easter Wednesday 20th April. However, Lay Led Liturgies of the Word with Distribution of Holy Communion, and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will continue, as usual, on those days, and thanks to those who facilitate this ministry in the parish. Mass **will be** celebrated on Easter Friday 22nd April, at 7pm.

Parish Office: Tuesdays from 2.30 - 5.30pm; Mary/Ann (087-3791443) will be able to take phone calls, & answer emails about parish (*certificates, etc*).

Trócaire boxes: may be handed into the Church from Holy Thursday. Thank you for your generosity - please try and count the coins in your box, replacing them with notes before you hand in your box.

Trócaire

Finance: Thank you for your support last weekend which totalled **€540** (*General*); **€260** (*Dues*) and over **€200** per week in **ONLINE** Donations PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING THE PARISH BY ONLINE DONATIONS VIA YOUR BANK; The parish details; BIC: AIBKIE2D and IBAN: IE68 AIBK 9320 9421 7710 85; Pls give your Envelope#/Surname as reference. Donations also via www.armagharchdiocese.org



LAST CALL FOR Special Parish Trip: The PPC have organised an outing to ‘Joseph & The Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat’, in the Bord Gáis Energy Theatre on Wednesday 24th August, 2022; **Tickets €70 (incl. Bus). Places limited - First Come basis - about half tickets are already booked.** Please book via The Parish Office - Tickets **must** be fully paid by mid-April (**NB Extra time!!**).

Eucharistic Adoration available in the Pastoral Area as follows: Mondays Church of the Immaculate Conception, Termonfechin 7pm– 8pm; Tuesdays in Immaculate Conception, Tenure 10-10.30am; Wednesdays in The Church of The Nativity of Our Lady, Fieldstown 10-10.30am; Saturdays in Church of St Borchill, Dysart 11am-12noon. Also from Termonfechin Oratory each Friday 11am–6pm via the internet only see www.termonfechinparish.ie/webcam



NB ALL Masses can be accessed via www.churchservices.tv/monasterboice	
Day\Mass	Intention
Sat. 16th April @ 9.30pm	(F/Town) -
Sunday 17th April @ 5.30am	(F/Town) Frank Harty (18th Av)
Sunday 17th April @ 9.45am	(F/Town) Cathal & Sheila Murphy
Sunday 17th April @ 11.15am	(Tenure) -
Tuesday 19th April @ 9.30am (T)	Lay-Led Liturgy with Holy Communion & Adoration
Wed. 20th April @ 9.30am (F/T)	Lay-Led Liturgy with Holy Communion & Adoration
Friday 22nd April @ 7pm	(Tenure) Jim Conaghy & Dec'd Mbrs of the Conaghy & Cassidy Families Dan (6th Av) & Vera (2nd Av) Rock
Saturday 23rd April @ 6.30pm	(Tenure) Philomena McEntee (1st Av.) Kathleen (5th Av) & Tom (40th Av) Brennan
Sunday 24th April @ 9.45am	(F/Town) Dick Usher (Av.) Paddy Winters (12th Av.) Colm Delves (2nd Av.)
Sunday 24th April @ 11.15am	(Tenure) Patrick Devine (10th Av.)

Remembering the Deceased: Please pray for those on the parish list of the dead, for deceased benefactors of the parish, & those who have died recently; **Mary Butterly**, Grangerath; **Sr. Ann (Assumpta) Kierans**, Drogheda; **Josephine Howard**, Monasterboice; **Deidre Delaney**, Clogherhead; **Celine Carroll (nee Victory)**, Chord Rd, Drogheda; **John Joe Bennett**, Bessbrook; *If you have a family member from outside the parish who has died, let us know.*

Covid-19 Pandemic News: In Diocesan Communications From Easter Sunday, 17 April, **attending** Mass will once again be deemed an **essential expression** of faith for all in the Irish Church.

Diploma in Youth Ministry & Spirituality: from Saint Patrick’s College, Maynooth. The diploma is tailored for those who wish to work in Youth Ministry. For more information please see www.maynoothcollege.ie/courses

Accord is recruiting interested people to assist in the provision of Marriage Preparation Programmes. Application forms marriagepreparation@accord.ie Selections will take place in June, with training commencing in September. This year Accord is celebrating 60 years supporting couples & families. Please contact us for support www.accord.ie To book your Church wedding, please make contact with your local parish to complete pre-nuptial wedding papers, and obtain the appropriate certificates. At least 3 months notice is required.

The Armagh Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock: will be celebrated this year on the last Sunday of May (*ie. May 29th*) joined by Dromore Diocese and the Knights of St Columbanus. As always the success of the Pilgrimage depends largely on your support for Ireland’s International Eucharistic Marian Shrine.

