

**Mullary Cemetery Draw:** Winning #19 - No Winner.

**The National Novena to Our Lady of Knock:** continues until 22nd August, offering days of prayer and reflection. Ceremonies are at 3pm and 8pm, and a special candlelight procession will take place after the 8pm ceremonies—weather permitting. The **theme for this year's Novena is 'A Journey in Hope' with guest speakers each day. Sunday 21st is Family Day from 11am to 3pm** with a range of events and activities taking place on the beautiful grounds of Knock Shrine. Full details are available on [www.knockshrine.ie](http://www.knockshrine.ie)

**Are you interested in turning a new leaf with new skills this Autumn?** LMETB Regional Skills and Training Centre offer a range of accredited evening courses in: Computing, Business, Management, Welding, Engineering - Free to jobseekers and people in employment may be eligible for free/reduced course fees under the "Skills to Advance" Employee Development initiative subject to certain criteria. You can apply online now for courses starting in September by logging onto [www.rstc.ie](http://www.rstc.ie) or 042-9355794 for details of evening courses at the Regional Skills & Training Centre, Coes Rd, Dundalk.

**Social Dance in Drumshallon Forge next Friday 26th Aug 9pm:** Music by Bernie Heaney. Wee county vintage club will present a cheque to a representative of MND on the night. Adm €10. Raffle & refreshments.

#### **Refurbishing Tenure Parochial House**

As highlighted in these last few weeks, the Parish Finance Committee (PFC) in consultation with Diocesan Authorities have proposed to;

- 1. Upgrade and add a small extension to the Parochial House situated on the grounds of Tenure Church, following which Fr. Paddy will move there, making it the Parish Priest's house.**
- 2. When this work is complete and Fr. Paddy has re-located, to then sell/ dispose of the Parochial House in Fieldstown.**

Notwithstanding the disappointment of some at seeing the resident priest leave Hamlinstown, there has been a positive response to these proposals. **Plans for the proposed development are now on display in the porches of each Church, and available online on the Parish Website & Facebook Page.**

As we progress to the next stage of the process - which includes seeking planning permission, the PFC hope that you will give your support to this project in the face of the huge changes coming in the future; We believe this is the best way to ensure that our parish makes best use of its resources, & provides the best chance of having a resident priest in the years ahead.

Feel free to contact the Committee, in writing, The Parish Office, Parochial House, Hamlinstown, Monasterboice, A92 RT66; or email [monasterboiceparish2018@gmail.com](mailto:monasterboiceparish2018@gmail.com) Ray Mitchell (*Chairperson of PFC*) Fr. Paddy (*Secretary*) Alison Quail, Aidan Berrill, Denis Mulroy, Michael Murphy, Bridget Robinson, Ann McEvoy.



## **Parish of Monasterboice** *(Mainistir Bhuithe)*

*21st Sunday Ordinary Time - Year C*  
**21st August 2022**

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**We hope to continue our 'Community Building' & Fund-raising efforts:**

**The Car Boot Sale** will be held again at Fieldstown Church Carpark on the **3rd Sunday of August** (*again, weather permitting*) - **21st August from 2pm-6pm.** Car €20. Tea/Coffee/Juice & biscuits available €1 each. Our next idea is to bring back the **'Ceili at the Crossroad'**, please God one of the weekends mid-September (*weather will play a big part in that one*). **Watch this space!**

**Pope's Intentions for August: Small Businesses; We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.**

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network is a Vatican foundation, with the mission of mobilising Catholics through prayer and action in response to the challenges facing humanity and the mission of the Church. The Pope Video is an official global initiative with the purpose of disseminating the Holy Father's monthly prayer intentions. [www.popesprayer.va](http://www.popesprayer.va)

**Liturgical colour: GREEN.** The theological virtue of hope is symbolised by the colour green, just as the burning fire of love is symbolised by red. Green is the colour of growing things, and hope, like them, is always new and always fresh. Liturgically, green is the colour of Ordinary Time, the orderly sequence of weeks through the year, a season in which we are being neither single-mindedly penitent (*in purple*) nor overwhelmingly joyful (*in white*).



**Pastoral Area:** Along with Termonfechin, Clogherhead, and Togher, our Parish is part of the **St. Colmcille's Pastoral Area:** Contact numbers; Fr Paul Byrne 982 2121; Fr Martin McVeigh 982 2224; Monsignor Jim Carroll 98 89335.

**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*).

**Finance:** Fr. Paddy & The Parish Finance Committee thank you for supporting your parish in these increasingly difficult times; The parish regularly receives **online** donations of **approx. €200 per week.** The **IN** Church donations last

weekend amounted to **€974 (General) €251 (Dues)**; The Film show took in **€795**, but expenses for the Screen, etc were **€600**, however, as an event it is more valuable for the community spirit. Thank you. **Collection Baskets will once again be circulated in the Church during Mass at the offertory time**, to facilitate Envelopes or any other donation you may wish to give.

**Psalm Response this wk:** Go out to the whole world; Proclaim the Good News!



**Alpha Ireland:** Conference for those interested in making MORE of Parish - will be held in **St Catherine's Church**, Dublin 8 on **Saturday 24 Sept 2022**. See the full lineup on our website <https://alphaireland.org/multiply> Our theme for AIC22 is Multiply as we bring together the best minds in mission to offer a one-day bootcamp of mission. Come together to be inspired, encouraged and equipped for evangelisation. **Tickets are just €25 pp (Parish will sponsor these if you are interested)** We would love to see you there!

**Feasts days this week:** Sunday 21st: **St Pope Pius X**; Monday 22nd: **Queenship of Mary**; Tuesday 23rd: **St. Rose of Lima / St. Eugene**; Wednesday 24th: **St. Bartholomew**, Apostle-Patron Saint of Plasterers, tanners and leather workers; Thursday 25th: **St. Louis**, King of France-Patron of French Monarchy & Barbers; **Saturday 27th:** St. Monica-Mother of St. Augustine-Patron Saint of Mothers.

**Wedding Bells:** Congratulations to Katie Holcroft & Brian Berrill; and Jane Mulroy & Paul McCarville; married recently in The Church of The Immaculate Conception, Tenure. We wish both couples every blessing and many years of married happiness and togetherness. If you would like to make a booking for a wedding, please contact the Parish Office, or Fr. Paddy directly, giving at **least six months notice**.



**Outreach:** In conjunction with The Parish Pastoral Council at a meeting earlier in the year it was decided that **'Area Masses'** would be offered during the Summer. If you would like to host a Mass for your area some evening, please contact Fr. Paddy. We encourage these **'Station Masses'** not to become too elaborate, but rather be simple opportunities for Areas to come together.

**Parish Outing** to Joseph & His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat, at the Bord Gáis Energy Theatre on Wednesday 24th August. Bus will leave Tenure Church at 5.15pm, returning there after the show. No Pickups/Dropoffs outside of this.

**Remembering the Deceased:** Pray for those on the parish list of the dead, deceased benefactors of the parish, & those who have died recently; **Patrick (Pat) Collins-McCarthy**, formerly of Clonakilty, Co. Cork and Donnybrook,

NB <u>ALL</u> Masses can be accessed via <a href="http://www.churchservices.tv/monasterboice">www.churchservices.tv/monasterboice</a>	
Day\Mass	Intention
Saturday 20th August @ 6.30pm (T)	<b>No Mass - Apologies</b>
Sunday 21st August @ 9.45am (F/T)	Seamus O'Reilly MM
Sunday 21st August @ 11.15am (T)	Liam Walsh (recently deceased) Sam McGuinness (2nd Av.) Mary McCullough MM Angela Lynn (2nd Av.) & her daughter, Sinead
Tuesday 23rd August @ 9.30am (T)	Anna & Lusía - Special Intention
Wed. 24th August @ 9.30am (F/T)	-
Friday 26th August @ 7pm (T)	Terry, Essie, Paul, Tommy & Gertrude Donegan (Belpatrick, Collon)
Saturday 27th August @ 6.30pm (T)	Jim McDonnell (Av.) Mary (20th Av.) & Pat Fitzpatrick (& decd. family)
Sunday 28th August @ 9.45am (F/T)	John & Kathleen Brannigan (Av.) Eileen Winters (10th Av.)
Sunday 28th August @ 11.15am (T)	Kevin Kelly MM

Dublin 4; **Kevin Kelly**, Bog Rd; **Mary McDonnell**, Newtowndarver; **Laurence (Larry) Holcroft**, Moneymore, Drogheda, and formerly of Kellystown, Grangebellew; *Pls let us know of family mbrs outside the parish who have died.*

**Preparation for the Synod of 2023:** You may have read about the Synthesis document sent to Rome. **You can read it on our Parish Website/Facebook Page.** It calls for a major change in the Church's attitude to women, those married, divorced, LGBTQ+. It also recommends the removal of mandatory celibacy for priests. In his covering letter, Archbishop Martin of Armagh said, **"Our listening process has identified the need for a more inclusive outreach, reaching out to those who have left the Church behind and in some cases feel excluded, forgotten or ignored"**. It's really worth a read. We of course need to provide new structures of lay leadership and inclusion. We need to prepare for a lay-led parish (*or at least more involvement in leadership*) going into the future. We need to prepare new leaders especially among the young but, it all has to be based on **personal transformation (a living relationship with Christ) and renewal based on the Gospel.**

**Diploma in Spiritual Guidance/Spiritual Direction, the Diploma in Supervision and the Certificate programme in Exploring Spirituality:** at An Croí Wisdom Institute which is now situated in Monasterboice. For further information contact Carmel Boyle at 087 6240071 or email [ancroiwisdominstitute@gmail.com](mailto:ancroiwisdominstitute@gmail.com) for further details. [www.ancroi.ie](http://www.ancroi.ie)

**Readings 22nd Sunday (28th August): Reading I:** Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 **Responsorial Psalm** 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 **Reading II:** Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a **Gospel:** Luke 14:1, 7-14

