



Vol. 28 No. 44 First Sunday of Advent 2nd December 2018

Masses for next week:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday Eucharistic Service 9.30am Mooncoin
Thursday 10 am—6 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament— Nagle Chapel

Parish Office Opening Hours

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
9.45 am to 12.45 pm

You can contact us on Facebook - Mooncoin Parish Office or by email mooncoin@ossory.ie at any time.
The next edition of the newsletter is out on **Sunday 2nd December**

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Welcome: We welcome Fr Martin Tobin who, this weekend, begins as Administrator of the Parish of Mooncoin. As Fr Martin makes his home with us, we hope, that together we will all continue to bring our faith to life - putting flesh on the words we pray. We ask God's blessing on him as he begins his ministry here.

Calling all Volunteers for the Kilnaspic Extravaganza. This year will be even better, We are having crafts plus children's Christmas Play with some Carols. Save the day 23rd December 2018 at 18.30hrs. Rehearsals for play starting shortly. Watch out on the Mooncoin FB page / Mooncoin Parish Office FB page. Handmade Christmas Cards available in Kilnaspic Church now. Contacts Jackie 0868125177 / Cindy 0834586496

Mooncoin Women's Group are holding a coffee morning in the Parish Hall in aid of upgrading the kitchen for the Hall Catering Committee. Tuesday 4th December 10.30am - 1pm. If anybody would like to donate any baked goods please drop them into the hall on the morning.

Night of Reminiscing, with John O'Connor (formerly of the Munster Express)

Thursday, December 6th

Time: 8pm

Venue: The Thatch, Grannagh

This event will be preceded, at 6.30, by Colcannon and ribs, Christmas pudding and tea - cost €25 per person. As numbers are limited for the food, pre-booking with a non-refundable deposit of €10 is required by contacting Brigid Barron (087 9507295, brigidbarron@hotmail.com) or Eddie Synnott (086 8124349 edsynnott@yahoo.co.uk)

Readers in our Parish Bishop Farrell is encouraging all those who read at masses to attend two evenings in St Kieran's College. These evenings, led by Prof Seamus O'Connell and Ms Olivia Maher, will offer a chance for our Ministers of the Word to come together to reflect on their ministry and important service as part of their Advent journey. Can we encourage all those who read in our churches to head along to these short evenings. Thursday 6th December and Thursday 13th December, 7.30pm at St Kieran's College

Mooncoin GAA Silver Circle Week 7: ∞200: Pat Dunphy ∞100: Jannette Reid ∞50: Larry Kearns ∞20:

Grace Sara O'Keeffe. Susan Walsh. Tommy Dermody. John Grace. Joan Dunphy. Mary Hearne. Liam Vereker. Michael Walsh. Mavis Foley. Bill Dwyer. Ciara McGrath. Carmel Farrell. Robert Walsh. Eileen Dowling. Mark Fitzgerald. O'Shea Family. Caoimhe Law. Ena Delahunty. John Croke. Niall Mackey.

S.V.P. Conference Meeting Monday 3rd December at 7.30pm in the Nagle Chapel.

Mooncoin Juvenile Badminton Club Would like to thank Blanchfields Centra for hosting a bag pack last weekend. We'd also like to thank the members that attended and everybody that contributed generously to the club. Your support is very much appreciated.

Mooncoin Day Centre Christmas Party In the Royal Oak on Thursday 14th December 5pm – 9pm approx. Come along and enjoy lovely food, good company and top class music. All are welcome. Contact any committee member.

The future of our parish - an evening exploring the changing nature of parishes today Our parishes are changing shape - we have fewer priests and thankful more people are involved than every before. Why not come along to an evening reflecting on the changing nature of our parishes chaired by Bishop Farrell and led by Fr Albert McDonnell and Ms Gemma Mulligan on Monday 3rd December 7.30pm at St Kieran's College.

Advent Text of the Day

A short daily text message, free to your phone, from the Diocesan Faith Development group to encourage us 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. If you would like to receive this each day simply text your number to [085-8313100](tel:085-8313100)

Children's Book - Knowing our Ossory Faith in Advent

A simple activities based workbook for children are available in the sacristy. They have games and puzzles based on our faith. If you would like to take one and spend some time with a daughter or son on these activities please feel free to take on. Ideal for Children aged 10 to 12 years.

A Blessing for a Crib & a Christmas and Daily Grace:

Next weekend, the first Sunday of Advent, we will have simple prayer cards of a blessing for a crib and another for a simple Christmas or daily grace before meals - why not take one home and place beside your crib or on your table - something simple to do extra this Advent.

Advent Tweet

Follow @ossorydiocese on twitter get get a simple Advent message each day - something to give us all a moment to reflect in our busy days during Advent.

SCOIL MHUIRE MOONCOIN Class Christmas play & performance times have been posted on our school website for your information www.scoilmhuiremooncoin.ie Keep an eye there for important reminders.

The AGM of Mooncoin GAA will take place on Wednesday 12th December at 8.00pm in complex. All members and intending members welcome

Safeguarding:

If you have a Safeguarding concern — the Diocesan Designated Liaison Person is Mr. Cathal Cullen 087 100 0232 dip@ossory.ie The Safeguarding Reps in this Parish are Katherine Hogan and Bill Doyle.

Carol Service:

The Parish Pastoral Council is planning a Carol Service for Sunday 9th Dec in the Church in Mooncoin. It is hoped that the schools and all the choirs in the Parish will take some part in the evening. This short evening of Reflection and carols will take place at 7pm. Why not put it in your diary and join us to help enter into the Advent/Christmas Spirit.

Vision Mooncoin Our annual community hall xmas craft fair and family day will be held on Sun 9th Dec 11-4. We would hugely appreciate all parishioners support , this is the main parish hall fundraiser which goes to funding day to day running and upkeep including our major bills oil,esb and insurance etc. Our current loan which has funded the building of the new extension and developed the carpark is presently at approx. 3,900. We are on target to have this loan finished by this coming March. Raffle tickets are currently available throughout the village and will be on sale up to and including Sun 9th. Please note the change of date from sun 2nd to Sun 9th

Spanish Girl requiring English Lessons

If interested please contact 087 903 8305 or 087 655 1599.

Recently Deceased: Tony O'Keeffe, Roseleigh, Mooncoin

Months Mind: Mass for Esther Cuddihy, Luffany on Sunday 9th December in Carrigeen at 10am.

Anniversaries: Nora & William Lawlor Portlaw. Michael Purcell, Polerone / Dublin. Kathleen “Cissy” Jones, Cloncunny. Kathleen Quirke, Suir Crescent. Mary Ann Murphy, Barrabehy. Jimmy Murphy, Kilnaspic