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**The Grapevine**  
**Mooncoin Parish Newsletter**

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**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

~ New Look Newsletter Coming Soon ~

Congratulations to the Candidates who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, May 21st, in Mooncoin Parish Church:

- |                         |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Harry Ahern             | Ella Joy        |
| Eoin Barden             | Ben Mackey      |
| Kai Clarke              | Tom Mackey      |
| Summer Conway           | Shane Mackey    |
| Elliott Coughlan        | Tadhg Mackey    |
| Craig Coughlan          | Ted McLoughlin  |
| Ayla Coughlan           | Anna McTighe    |
| Kate Cronin             | Jack O'Brien    |
| Jasmine Curran-Hillyard | Tadhg O'Hanlon  |
| James D'Arcy            | Charlie O'Keefe |
| Gwyneth Dermody         | Sarah O'Keefe   |
| Maria Dunphy            | Rueben Owens    |
| Charlie Fitzpatrick     | Ella Phelan     |
| Liam Foran              | Alix Rowe       |
| Michael Fox             | Joshua Rowe     |
| Lee Geraghty            | Zoe Ryan        |
| Alannah Hayes           | Thomas Ryan     |
| Lauren Healy            | Meabh Vereker   |
| Emma Kearns             | Adrian Walsh    |
| Bobby Kinsella          | Aaron Walsh     |
| Robyn Howley            | Eoghan Walsh    |



### CORK ACCORDION CLUB

Welcomes you and your friends to Comerfords Pub, Mooncoin on Wednesday 10th June.  
Local musicians, singers, dancers, storytellers etc...  
Free Finger Food, Tea & Coffee. FREE ADMISSION 8.30pm - 12pm

Kilkenny Register of Electors – Update Required. Kilkenny County Council requests that all households review their information on the Register of Electors. Please note that certain individuals may have been inadvertently removed during the recent update process.

Ensure that your Eircode, date of birth, PPSN, and contact details are accurately recorded. If a family member has passed away, kindly notify the Franchise Team accordingly. You can verify your details in the following ways:

Online at [www.checktheregister.ie](http://www.checktheregister.ie). Email: [franchise@kilkennycoco.ie](mailto:franchise@kilkennycoco.ie)

• Post: Complete an ERF1 form and Freepost, Franchise Section, Kilkenny County Council, County Hall, John Street, Kilkenny, R95 A39T Phone: 0567794150

**1. The Feast of Pentecost** Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles, fifty days after Easter. It is often called the “birthday of the Church,” because the frightened disciples were transformed into courageous witnesses who went out to share the Good News with all nations. The Spirit brought unity, courage, peace, and new life.

**2. The Readings for the Feast** In the First Reading, the Holy Spirit comes like wind and fire, and people from many nations hear the apostles speaking in their own languages. St Paul reminds us that although we have different gifts, we are united as one body in Christ through the same Spirit. In the Gospel, the risen Jesus greets the disciples with peace and breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, sending them out on mission.

**3. Practical Action for the Week** This week, invite the Holy Spirit into your daily life through a simple prayer: “Come, Holy Spirit.” Use your gifts to encourage someone, bring peace to a difficult situation, or help a person in need. Pentecost reminds us that the Spirit works through ordinary acts of kindness, courage, and faith.

**4. The Meaning of Confirmation** Confirmation is the sacrament in which the Holy Spirit strengthens the gifts first received in Baptism. Through the anointing with chrism oil, the confirmed person is sealed with the Spirit and called to live as a mature witness of Christ. Confirmation deepens our connection with the Church and strengthens us to live and share our faith with confidence.

Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes commences on Monday, 25th May.  
Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for us. St. Bernadette, Pray for us.

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Michael Hayes, Co Kerry. Neddy Foran, Ardera.

Anna Talbot, St Anne’s Terrace. James & Mary O’Brien, New Road.

Michael & Eileen O’Brien, New Road/Dublin. Paul O’Keeffe, Polerone.

Deceased members of O’Keeffe Family, Polerone. Patrick Bourke, Hillcrest, Piltown.

Joseph Bourke, Hillcrest Piltown. Vera O’Brien nee Bourke, Hillcrest, Piltown.

Molly & Jimmy Hearne, Kilnaspic. Dodie Nora Gallagher, Cahir.

Frank & Eamonn Law, Mullinavat.

**1st Anniversary Mass** for Ann Purcell, Suir Crescent,  
Sunday 31st May @ 10am in Mooncoin Church

Mooncoin Cumann gaelach are organising a trip to the Gaeltacht in Ring. 14th June, 9am depart church carpark. Guided tour of the area including the famine graveyard and Joan Clancy art gallery, walk around Helvic head and dinner in a local pub. €10 for the bus, pay for food. Contact Teresa 085-7240154. All are welcome, young and old.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The number for the Mooncoin Cancer Support Group (on the back page) is no longer in use. The NEW NUMBER is **089 264 0083**

**ROSARY PROCESSION** Sunday 31 st of May, 3pm. Leaving Ballybricken Green at 3pm and proceeding to the Dominican Church (Home of the Mother) Bridge St. for the Crowning of our lady. All are welcome walk with us (especially Children who received their first holy communion).

### Masses for week 25th - 29th May

Monday & Tuesday NO MASS	Mooncoin
Monday, 6.30 p.m.	Kilmacow
Tuesday 9.30 a.m.	Kilmacow
Wednesday, 9.30 a.m.	Mooncoin
Thursday, 9.30 a.m.	Mooncoin
Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Nagle Chapel until 12 noon.	
Friday, 9.30 a.m.	Mooncoin

### SVP Collection dates for June.

Mooncoin Sat. 6th June 7.00pm  
Mooncoin Sun. 7th June 10.00am  
Carrigeen Sun. 7th June 8.50am  
Kilnaspic: Sun. 28th June 8.50am  
Note new contact number for SVP  
Mooncoin Phone: 051 350725.  
[infor.southeast@svp.ie](mailto:infor.southeast@svp.ie)

Day centre mass in the parish hall @ 3pm May 27th All are welcome.

### MOONCOIN PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPS

Katherine Hogan. Miriam Grace. Marian Walsh c/o Mooncoin Parish Office 051 895 123

Next edition of the Newsletter **31st May 2026**

**NB:** The newsletter will only be printed every two weeks for the summer months. Dates will be included in future newsletters.

### CEMETERY MASSES 2026

Sunday 14th June Kilnaspic 12.30pm	Saturday 20th June Old Cemetery 7pm
Sunday 21st June Carrigeen 11am	Saturday 27th June New Cemetery 7pm

The adverts section of our newsletter is now full from June 2026 to June 2027.

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Fr. Michael Kelly, SJ, CC Kilmacow and Pastoral Area Assistant 087 3791406

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