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Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

THERE IS A REASON FOR EVERYTHING

Our Father knows what's best for us, so why should we complain?
We always want the sunshine but He knows there must be rain.
We love the sound of laughter and the merriment of cheer.
But our hearts would lose their tenderness if we never shed a tear.
Our Father tests us often with suffering and sorrow.
He tests us not to punish us but to help us meet tomorrow.
For growing trees are strengthened when they withstand the storm.
And the sharp cut of a chisel gives the marble grace and form.
God never hurts us needlessly and He never wastes our pain.
For every loss He sends to us is followed by rich gain.
And when we count our blessings that God has so freely sent,
We will find no cause for murmuring and no time to lament.
For our Father loves His children and to Him all things are plain.
He never sends us pleasure when the soul's deep need is pain.
So whenever we are troubled and when everything goes wrong.
It is just God working in us
To make our spirits strong.

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people he chose for his inheritance Psalm 33:12

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Masses 20th - 24th November

Monday Kilmacow 6.30pm
Tuesday Kilmacow 9.30am
Wednesday - Friday

Mooncoin 9.30am

Exposition of the blessed sacrament after mass on Thursdays up until 12 noon

NB: The church will be closed every evening from 5pm for the winter months, with the exception of Saturday when it will be closed after 7pm mass.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Our annual Christmas Fair will be held on Sunday 3rd December in Mooncoin Parish Hall.

Christmas Fair - Raffle Tickets:

Raffle tickets for the Christmas Fair are now on sale. Please contact any member of the Hall Committee or call into the Parish Hall Monday - Thursday between 9.30am - 12pm.

Prizes include: Heating Oil, Firewood, Luxury Hamper, Bags of Coal, Turkey & Ham, Bottle of Brandy, Christmas Cake & Pudding plus many more

Advent Retreat - Following Jesus in the Footsteps of St Francis as a Lay Person
Capuchin Friary, Kilkenny. Sunday, 3rd December 3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.
Open to everyone – All welcome to come along

The Annual Collection for the Ossory Priests Society – Feast of Christ the King - Week end of 25th/26th November 2023.

Advent Evening for Eucharistic Ministers.

The Pastoral Area, Templeorum, Kilmacow, Mooncoin parishes, is hosting an Advent Evening of Reflection and Renewal for Eucharistic Ministers.

Venue: Nagle Chapel, Mooncoin.

Time: 7.30 p.m.

Date: Tuesday, 5th December 2023

Tirlán & Glanbia Memorial Mass 2023.

In Loving Memory of our deceased family members, work colleagues, & friends in Tirlán & Glanbia. The Annual Remembrance Mass will take place in St Canice's Church, Kilkenny, on Friday 24th November 2023, at 7.30 p.m. Rosary for deceased: 7.15pm May their souls Rest in Peace.

Invitation to Christmas Carol Service

Thursday 14th December @ 7.30pm in Piltown Church. This year we will host a 'Journey to Bethlehem' Carol Service. Last year the service was a great success with support from Owing, Templeorum, Mooncoin and Kilmacow parishioners. It is hoped this year that choirs and parishioners from the Pastoral Area would again participate in greater numbers to make the occasion more meaningful and enjoyable. All are welcome whether a member of a choir or not. Contact Piltown Parish Office on 051 643 112 or templeorum@ossory.ie with any queries.

Do You Have Difficulty with Reading or Writing?

Do you know in Ireland that almost 1 in 5 adults have difficulty with reading and writing? One in four have difficulty with maths. One in two have difficulty with digital devices. If you or a family member would like support or upskilling, please contact KCETB (Kilkenny Carlow Education and Training Board) for a free and confidential service for all adults. Contact details: Kilkenny Adult Learning Service 056 776 3149. Carlow Adult Learning Service: 059 913 5544. "Let us empower everyone in Ireland to be their best possible selves". Simon Harris TD Minister for Further and Higher Education.

The Newsletter is available to view online at www.mooncoinparish.ie

Mooncoin	Date/Time	Names	Date/Time	Names
Flowers	November	M. Wall K. Garland		
Readers	Saturday 25th November	John Lennon Molly Quinn	Sunday 26th November	Margery Godinho Tom O'Hanlon
Eucharistic Ministers	Saturday 25th November	Margaret Crowley Bridget McGrath	Sunday 26th November	Gaby Kelly Billy Doyle
Carrigeen	Date/Time	Names		
Cleaners	2nd December	Mary Dalton	Teresa O'Neill	
Readers	3rd December	Joe Sullivan	Nicholas Walsh	
Eucharistic Ministers	26th November	Mary Murphy		
Collectors	3rd December	Joe Dunphy	Ned Phelan	
Kilnaspic	Date/Time	Names		
Cleaners	November	K. Walsh		
Readers	26th November	K. Hogan		
Eucharistic Ministers	26th November	Bernadette Walsh		

RECENTLY DECEASED: Teresa Conlon nee Walsh, Leeds/Clogga. Hughie Bolger, London/Co Meath. Seamus Fox, Fanningstown. Sean Purcell, Dublin/Mooncoin.

ANNIVERSARIES: Leo Walsh, Aglish. John Fripps, Grange. Sr Laura Corcoran, Cussana. Pat Corcoran, Luffany. Brian Carroll, Chapel St. Margaret & Peter Walsh, Luffany. Michael Asper & Family, Ashgrove. Willie Power, Luffany. John & Bridie Hewetson, Ballymountain. Edward & Dick Dunphy, Luffany. Eileen Williams & Matt Williams, Ashgrove. The Kearns Family, Nicholastown. Stephen Garland. Paddy & Ellen Reddy.

Carrigeen / Kilnaspic Sunday Mass Schedule

Masses are held in Carrigeen on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month (**and if there is a 5th Sunday**) Masses are held in Kilnaspic on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of every month.