

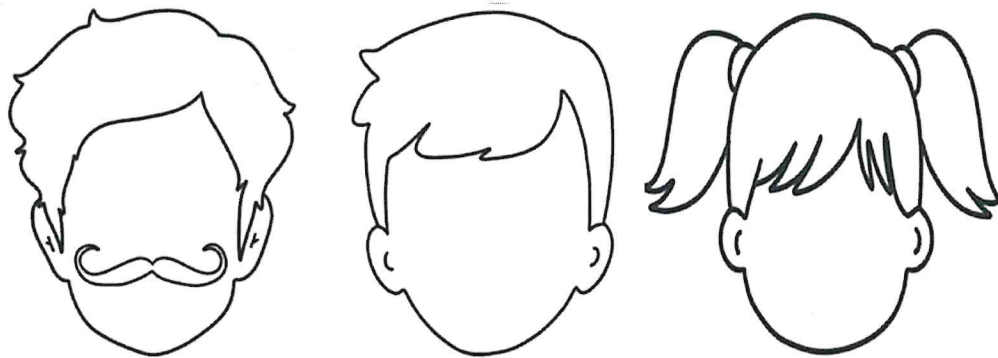
FOR OUR YOUNG PARISHIONERS

The Season of Creation takes place from September 1st to October 4th. It is a time when we are asked to think about our beautiful planet and the responsibility we have to look after it. The theme for 2026 is 'Living Water'. This week, see if you can find a small space at home where you can set up a 'Season of Creation' corner.

1. Agree with the adults in your home what space you can use
2. Use any piece of colourful cloth or paper to cover the space.
3. Place a small bowl of water in the space.
4. Draw, colour and cut out some of the amazing animals, plants and trees that live in or near the water that flows through our parish. Put them in your 'Season of Creation' space.
5. If you have a photo of your Baptism, place it in the space.
6. Every day, during the Season of Creation, stop at your space and say a little prayer.

Dear God, Thank you for the gift of water, the mighty seas, the calm lakes, the rivers, the streams, and the rain that falls to refresh the earth. Thank you too for the living water of Baptism. Help me to look after the earth and everything in it. Amen.

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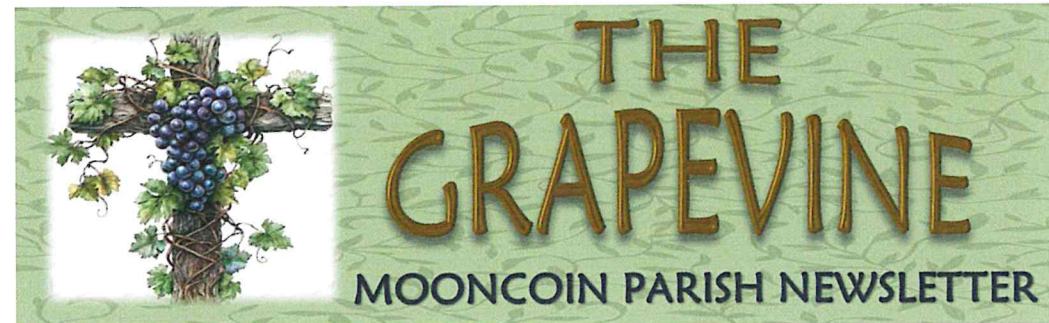
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Word Games at Ferrybank Library

Join us from Friday, 11 September at 2:30 PM, with sessions continuing every two weeks. So why not join us? Whether you're a seasoned wordsmith or just enjoy a good puzzle, there's a warm welcome waiting for you.

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TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95

Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Key Theme: Love and responsibility

Focus: Community

Summary: God calls His people to care for one another. Love guides correction, forgiveness, and prayer. Jesus is present when we gather in His name.

Challenge: Speak truth with kindness when someone is going the wrong way. Seek peace when there is conflict. Let love guide your words and actions.

Action Step: Pray for someone you find difficult. Ask God to help you speak and act with love.

Verse to Remember: "If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." (Matthew 18:15)

Message from this Sunday's Scripture Readings:

Caring for Our Common Home

During this Season of Creation, we are reminded of the beautiful gift of God's creation and our responsibility to care for it. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus says: "Where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them." Caring for creation is something we can do together, through small acts of kindness, responsibility and respect.

May we listen to the voice of creation, be mindful of those who suffer because of environmental damage, and do what we can to protect the earth entrusted to us.

May God give us grateful hearts, caring hands and the courage to make a difference.

Season of Creation 2026 - 1st Sept - 2nd Oct Theme: "Living Water"

The Season of Creation 2026 invites us to reflect on the theme "Living Water," inspired by the vision of the prophet Ezekiel: "Wherever the river flows, everything will live." (Ezekiel 47:9) The image of the river flowing from God's Temple reminds us that God's love brings healing, renewal and new life. Like the river, our faith is called to flow outwards, bringing hope and care to others and to our common home.

This Season of Creation encourages us to:

Next edition of the Newsletter 13th September 2026

We have been allocated 10 tickets for the installation of Bishop Ger Nash on Sunday 13th September. If anyone would like to attend please contact Fr Tobin directly.

Bus escort required for **SCOIL MHUIRE** special needs transport. 15 hours per week, must be available mornings and afternoons. Experience with special needs children an advantage but not necessary. If interested please email scoilmhuiremooncoin@gmail.com or message Scoil Mhuire on 0892048545.

Mooncoin Celtic Football Club Girls Football Is Here!!!! Get involved. For girls under 12 (born in or before 2015) Weekly sessions Tuesday & Friday evenings @ 6.30pm. For more information and to register contact PJ on 087 901 9555.

MOONCOIN PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council met on Thursday night last after the summer break. We talked about the first steps in implementing our 4-year Pastoral Plan and we agreed some actions for September. This month our focus is on improving communications. Before too long we hope to have a Pastoral Council noticeboard in each of the three churches where we will give you regular updates on the work we are doing. We hope that you all enjoyed the summer months and that you are settling back into the autumn routines.

Accord CLG is seeking an Executive Director who will be the chief executive officer of Accord CLG and be responsible for providing strategic and operational leadership across the organisation. The deadline for applications is 12 noon on Monday, 28 September 2026. For more information, visit www.forvismazars.com/ie/en/executiverecruitment

Polish Mass celebrating 20 years in Ireland will be celebrated in the Church of The Assumption Mooncoin by Bishop Alphonsus Cullinane on Sunday 6th September @ 12.30pm.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Patsy Purcell, Ballymountain (1st Anniversary)
Margo Clarke, Bristol / Rathkieran (1st Anniversary).
Marie Hogan, New Aglish (1st Anniversary)
Sean Tyler, Grange. Jimmy Foley, Main Street. Tim Durney, Jamestown.
Mary Drohan, Clonmore. Margo Phelan, Dournane.
Paddy McCarthy, Grannagh / London. Andy Phelan, Ballytarsney.
John Lennon, Catherine Street, Waterford. Seamus Foskin, Polerone.
Alison Connor & Baby Michael Anthony, Waterford / Suir Crescent.
Marian Gaule, Ferrybank. Pat Foley, Chapel Street. Jimmy English, Carrick Road.
Mary Drohan, Carrick Road. Kathleen Hennessy, Kilmacow.
Thomas 'Tommy' Carroll, Clonmore. Michael & Anastasia Deady, Ballinlough.
Rita Moore, Rathcurby. Peter Fitzgerald & The Fitzgerald Family, The Cross.
Walter Fewer, Dournane Road. Deceased members of The Fewer Family.

MONTHS MIND: Joan Ryan nee Walsh, Ballygorey.
Gerry Everett, Main Street.

SVP Collections September 2026

Kilnaspic: Sun. 13th September 8.50am

NB: All anniversary requests, months mind etc... must be in before 12 noon on Fridays to ensure your loved ones are prayed for and included in our parish newsletter.

Mooncoin Day Care Centre is now back after the summer break. All are welcome

WEEKLY ADORATION Every Thursday in the Nagle Chapel, from after the 9.30 Mass until 12 noon. You are welcome to come along at any time. You can sit, kneel, read the Bible, pray the rosary or other prayers, or simply sit in silence before the Blessed Eucharist

PARISH HALL To contact us, please email mooncoinparishhall@gmail.com or check out our Facebook page for updates: Mooncoin Parish Hall, Mob: 089-223 2830

In preparation for the installation of Bishop Ger Nash on Sunday 13th September the Adult Faith Development Group has prepared a simple **prayer card** that is available in the 3 churches. This is to encourage people to pray for him in these weeks before he begins his ministry. Also see the dates below for 3 gatherings of prayer for Bishop Ger.

ROSARY PROCESSION to honour Our Lady's Birthday. Tuesday 8th September leaving Ballybricken Green at 7pm. Proceeding to the Franciscan Church, Lady Lane for a short prayer service. Finishing with Benediction. All are welcome.

Masses for the coming week

No 9.30 a.m Mass on Monday and Tuesday
2.30 p.m Mass in Mooncoin Residential Care Centre
9.30 a.m Wednesday
9.30 a.m. Thursday followed by Exposition to 12 noon
9.30 a.m. Friday
Divine Mercy and Rosary are recited approx 30 minutes before daily Mass

Irish Circle. Join us on Tuesday 8th September at 2:30pm in Ferrybank Library – All are welcome Come along on Tuesdays and join the conversation. There are no heavy topics, just chats about weather, sports and general topics.

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Interested in learning to play Bridge? Mooncoin Bridge Club is starting lessons for beginners at the end of September. Please contact:- 086 1914153 or 083 2074562 to sign up. ALL WELCOME.

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