

June Services

Date/Day	Readings	Time/Place		
3rd/4th June Pentecost / Whitsunday Link Sunday - Ossory and Lund	<i>Acts 2:1-21</i> <i>Psalm 104:26-36</i> <i>Romans 8:22-27</i> <i>St John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15</i>	Saturday, 8.00pm Borris-in-Ossory Eucharist	Sunday, 10.00am Lacca Eucharist	Sunday, 11.30am Mountrath Eucharist
9th June Friday Feast of St Columba	<i>Micah 4:1-5</i> <i>Psalm 34:9-15</i> <i>Romans 15:1-6</i> <i>St John 12:20-26</i>	11.00am Mountrath Children's School Service		
10th/11th June Trinity Sunday	<i>Isaiah 6:1-8</i> <i>Psalm 29</i> <i>Romans 8:12-17</i> <i>St John 3:1-17</i>	Saturday, 8.00pm Seir Kieran Compline	Sunday, 10.00am Annatrim Morning Prayer	Sunday, 11.30am Roskelton Eucharist
17th/18th June 1st Sunday after Trinity	<i>Ezekiel 17:22-24</i> <i>Psalm 92:1-4; 12-15</i> <i>2 Corinthians 5: 6-17</i> <i>St Mark 4:26-34</i>	Saturday, 8.00pm Borris-in-Ossory Compline	Sunday, 10.00am Lacca Morning Prayer	Sunday, 11.30am Mountrath Eucharist
24th/25th June Birth of St John the Baptist	<i>Isaiah 40:1-11</i> <i>Psalm 85:7-13</i> <i>Galatians 3:23-29</i> <i>St Luke 1:57-66, 80</i>	Saturday, 8.00pm Seir Kieran Eucharist	Sunday, 10.00am Annatrim Eucharist	Sunday, 11.30am Roskelton Morning Prayer
29th June Thursday Feast of St Peter	<i>Ezekiel 3:22-27</i> <i>Psalm 125</i> <i>Acts 12:1-11</i> <i>St Matthew 16:13-20</i>	11.00am Mountrath Eucharist		
Morning Prayer/Evening Prayer: the Old Testament and Gospel readings are read by a lector or lectors. Compline: the Gospel reading is read by a lector. Eucharist: the Old Testament and the Epistle are read by a lector or lectors.				

Parish Diary - June

6th Tuesday.....Toddle in the Park in aid of Barnardos
 21st Wednesday.....**Closing date for July 2006 Newsletter items!**
 30th-July 4th.....Summer Madness
 To be decided.....Toddler Party

Table Tennis practice every second Friday at 7.30pm in the Parochial Hall.
Badminton practice every Tuesday and Thursday at 8.30pm in the Parochial Hall.

Sunday School for Juniors & Seniors, St. Peter's Church, Mountrath (during Sunday service, except United and Family services).

Items for inclusion in the July Newsletter need to be with the editor by the Wednesday (**21st June**) before the fourth Sunday AT THE LATEST, so that the newsletter can be assembled, printed, and distributed in time for the fourth Sunday (**25th June**).

Ideally, items should be submitted by e-mail to- newsletter@clonenagh.com
 Otherwise to- Ivor Clegg, Cloncourse, Mountrath, Co. Laois. 057-8621277 or 087-2522162
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Clonenagh Group of Parishes - June 2006

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Our Condolences to the Wallace Family on the death of Molly.

Get Well Wishes to Wesley Lalor and Mervyn Harvey who are just home from hospital, and to Joe Harvey who is in Portlaoise hospital.

Congratulations to Joyce and John Lalor on the birth of a baby boy, Jake; and to Derek Alcorn on receiving the Gold Drop award on the occasion of his 50th donation to the Irish Blood Transfusion Service. He was recently presented with a Gold Pelican and Certificate at the Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow.

Rector's Notes

Link Sunday

Sunday the 4th of June is Link Sunday. We will be celebrating the Eucharist at all services so as to be one with our sisters and brothers in the Swedish diocese of Lund. We will be using the same order of service, but don't worry, it will be in English!

Link Prayer

God of the unexpected, open our eyes for the unknown in our different traditions. Thank you for the possibility to learn and share together. We pray for the diocese of Lund and for the diocese of Cashel and Ossory. Bless Bishop Christina of Lund and Michael, our

Bishop Elect, their colleagues in ministry and all God's people. Amen

National School Service

The Diocesan National School Service will take place in St Peter's Church, Mountrath, at 11.00am on Friday the 9th of June.

Families and children welcome!

Girl's Friendly Society

Congratulations to all our young parishioners who won prizes at the annual prize giving service at St Canice's Cathedral on Sunday the 21st of May last:

Cashel and Ossory Diocese Mountrath

Sarah Bennett (5-7 years)- *Bible Study*, Highly Commended

Keely Jackson (9-11 years)- *Bible Study*, Highly Commended

Lisa Lalor (11-13 years)- *Craft*, Highly Commended

Portlaoise

Elaine Holmes (9-11 years)- *Bible Study*, Highly Commended

Yvonne Vanston (11-13 years)- *Bible Study*, 1st in Diocese and 3rd in all Ireland; *Craft*, 1st in Diocese and 2nd in all Ireland

Jenna Holmes (15-18 years)- *Bible Study*, 1st in Diocese and 2nd in all Ireland; *Craft*, Highly Commended.



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Select Vestry Members 2006/2007

A big thank you to those of you who have taken up positions in the four select vestries for the coming year. All of us are very grateful for the time and effort you will put in for God's Church.

Clonenagh Mountrath

Rector's Churchwarden and Secretary- Emily Jackson
People's Churchwarden- Tommy McKay
Rector's Glebwarden- Joe Peavoy

Roskelton

Rector's Churchwarden- Mary Allen
People's Churchwarden- Willie Clegg
People's Glebwarden and Newsletter- Ivor Clegg
Treasurer- Dorothy McDowell
Treasurer- Florence Peavoy
Phyllis Foot, Ivan Bennett, Ken McDowell, Charlie Peavoy, Robert Senior, Serina Senior, Vera Caldbeck, Vicky Wallace.

Offerlane Annatrim

Rector's Churchwarden- Rosemary Holmes
People's Churchwarden- Eric Condell

Lacca

Rector's Churchwarden- Moira Harvey
People's Churchwarden- John Handcock
Rector's Glebwarden- Derek Alcorn
People's Glebwarden- Sylvia Stotesbury
Treasurer- Elizabeth Cooper
Secretary- Jean Tracey
Bertie Holmes, Brian Holmes, Gladys Dann, Harry Fairbrother, Jennifer Cooper, Jimmy Hayes, Sandra Condell, Sloane Cooper, Valerie Handcock, Willie Tracey.

Borris-in-Ossory

Rector's Churchwarden and Supplementalist- Susan Jestin
People's Churchwarden, Synod's Person and Supplementary Parochial Nominator- Abe Moynan
Rector's Glebwarden- Robert Stanley
People's Glebwarden- Louise Moynan
Treasurer- Martin Jestin
Secretary- Patricia Roe
Supplementalist- Essie Moynan
Safe Guarding Trust- Henry Roe
Diocesan Council and Parochial Nominator- Ivan Jestin
Organist- Margaret Jestin
George Roe, Meta Moynan, Queenie Walshe, Robert Newman.

Seir Kieran

Rector's Churchwarden- Margaret Grant
People's Churchwarden- Benny Stanley
Rector's Glebwarden- Davie Wharton
People's Glebwarden- Ian Colbourne
Secretary- Jacqueline McBryde
Treasurer- Tom Carry
George Grant, John Grant, John McBryde, Joyce Wharton, Linda Wharton, Olive Colbourne, Pamela Stanley, Thelma Whitten, William Whitten, Yvonne Shaw

~Rev'd Stella

Mothers' Union & Young Wives

held their closing meeting on Monday 24th April in the Parochial Hall, with an Art & Craft display. We were joined by Christine Newman from Inspired Crafts, Main Street, Mountrath who gave a demonstration on making cards and not only that but we enjoyed looking at the works and paintings of many of the talented ladies of the parish. Many thanks to all the ladies for allowing us to behold their work. Everyone will be busy for the summer trying their hand at all

the crafts.

Deepest sympathy to the Wallace Family on the death of their mother, Molly. She will be sadly missed as a regular member of Mountrath Mother's Union.

"Get well" wishes go to the following: Mary McKay, Alf Oxley and David Moynan, who have been in Tullamore Hospital; and to Dick Lalor and Robert Newman after their stay in Portlaoise Hospital recently.

The **Senior Citizens Party** was held on Wednesday 3rd May. Many Thanks to Rev Mikhail for taking the Communion Service before the meal was served and to Mabel for providing the entertainment afterwards. As always, many hands make light work and

In May the Puppet Team were very busy, on the 6th they had the training day for Holiday Club. The draw was also held that day, and the winner of the big teddy was Brian Holmes, Jason Shaw won the Candle House, Maire Dillard won the bottle of wine, Jessica Wallace won the Box of Chocolates and fifth and sixth prizes were won by Rev. Cliff Jeffers and Ken Ryan. The draw raised €270 which will be used towards puppet equipment and Summer Madness.

On the 13th, they travelled to

a special THANKS goes to all who help on the day and provided goodies for all to enjoy.

Parish Golf Classic

Results: 1st- Willie Phelan's team; 2nd- Gus Lanham's team; 3rd- George Martin's team; 4th- Ken Hovington's team; 5th- Maude McGlynn's team; 6th- Annette Duff's team; 7th- Mary Gee's team.

Non-golfers- Ivan Bennett's team; Nearest to the pin – Ray Cuddy.

Raffle winners: Geraldine Elisabeth Cooper, George Martin, Peter Delaney, Seamus O'Dea, Eamon Mulhall, Eamon Lutrell, Catherine Scully, Kate Woods.

More details in next month's Newsletter

Tullow for a GFS night.

On the 20th was the Kids Club party with games and video.

Parents and Toddlers is going very well, with lots of new faces, and everyone is welcome. We will be collecting for Barnardos over the next few weeks and will be doing a toddle around the park with a picnic on the 6th of June.

Good Luck to all those who will be sitting their Junior and Leaving Cert exams over the month of June.

A note from the editor- while ALL items submitted are gratefully received and acknowledging that without them there would be no Newsletter, the task of assembling the Newsletter would be considerably eased if contributors would endeavour to send in their items in a format that's easily included in the publication.

Digital formats are best (by e-mail or disc) as they can be copied directly, and printed/typed documents (and photos!) are almost as good as they can be scanned. Big hand-written items however, can take up a lot of time between deciphering the writing and transcribing the content.

While the editor is delighted to get SMALL items as hand-written notes or on the phone, if you have much more than a couple of lines, PLEASE do your best to get it into one of the formats mentioned above.