

Services & Readings

December	
Fifth Sunday 31st	Isaiah 61:10 – 62: 3 Psalm 148 Galatians 4: 4-7 Luke 2: 15-21
	Mountrath 10.30am Group Service

January						
First Sunday 7th	Genesis 1: 1-5 Psalm 29 Acts 19: 1-7 Mark 1: 4-11	Seir Kieran 9.30am Morning Prayer	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 10.30am Holy Communion	Mountrath 10.45am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Morning Prayer
Second Sunday 14th	1 Samuel 3: 1-10, (11-20) Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20 John 1: 43-51	Annatrim 11.00am Holy Communion		Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer		
Third Sunday 21st	Jonah 3: 1-5, 10 Psalm 62: 5-12 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 Mark 1: 14-20	Seir Kieran 9.30am Holy Communion	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 4.00pm Service of the Word or Evening Prayer
Saturday/Fourth Sunday 27th/28th	Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 Psalm 111 1 Corinthians 8: 1-13 Mark 1: 21-28	Seir Kieran Saturday 8.00pm Evening Prayer	Lacca 10.30am Family Service	Annatrim Sunday 11.00am Morning Prayer	Mountrath Sunday 11.30am Morning Prayer	

PLEASE NOTE: This timetable is PROVISIONAL and is subject to change
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Parish Diary

December

28th Thursday.....Fun Run/Walk & Tractor Run (page 2)

January

5th Friday.....Closing date for Diocesan Magazine Notes (page 2)

18th Thursday.....Mountrath Historical Society meeting (page 2)

11th Thursday.....Fellowship Service (page 2)

24th Wednesday...Closing date for February 2018 Newsletter

Items for the February 2018 Newsletter need to be with the editor by WEDNESDAY January 24th **AT THE LATEST**, so that the Newsletter can be assembled in time for the Fourth Sunday, January 28th.

PLEASE make your item as ready for publication as possible, and most importantly, please ensure that names are spelled correctly.

Ideally, items should be submitted by e-mail to- newsletter@clonenagh.com

Otherwise to- Ivor Clegg, Cloncourse, Mountrath, Co. Laois. 057-8621277/087-2522162

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The Newsletter

January 2018

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Tea in Lacca Hall following the November Family Service

Clonenagh Group of Parishes

Annatrim, Borris-in-Ossory, Lacca, Mountrath, Roskelton, Seir Kieran.

Parish Notes

Condolences

Bill Dann, Borris-in-Ossory's oldest parishioner, passed away on December 10th. He was in his 100th year and up until two years ago was a regular attendee in Borris-in-Ossory church. We express our sympathy to his daughter Nancy, son-in-law Noel, and all his relatives.

Please keep in your **thoughts and prayers** all our fellow parishioners who are unwell at the moment.

Members of **Mountrath and Ballyfin Mothers Union** branches enjoyed an excellent dinner in Mountrath Golf Club on December 9th. We had mulled wine, followed by very good food chosen from the menu. A great night was had by all.

Diocesan Magazine Notes: Anyone who has notes for the Diocesan Magazine should please get them to Emily Jackson or Serena Senior by 5th January.

On Sunday 17th December we had our **Service of Nine Carols and Nine Readings** at Lacca. Well done to all our young people who read so beautifully. Thank you to Mrs Yvonne Carter who conducted the service.

Our first **Fellowship Service** for 2018 is on Thursday 11th January at 8pm followed by tea. All are welcome.

The **Third Sunday Service** is on the 21st of January at Lacca at 4pm followed by tea. Everyone is welcome.

Our **Family Service** at **Lacca** continues on the 28th of January at 10.30am.

Mountrath Historical Society meet on the third Thursday of the month at 6.15pm in Mountrath Library. New members are always welcome.

Congratulations to James Harvey who graduated with 1st class hon degree in business and accounting from U.C.D.

Clonenagh National School will be holding its annual Family Run/Walk on Thursday 28th December. Prizes for all children who take part. Walk commences at 11.30am. €10/adult. Children free.

The Family Run/Walk will be followed by the Annual Tractor Run at 1pm. A great day of music, refreshments, raffle and prizes. All welcome to attend.

Money raised goes towards Clonenagh National School.

Leprosy Mission boxes raised €168.19 this year, many thanks to everyone who contributed. ~*Olga Telford*

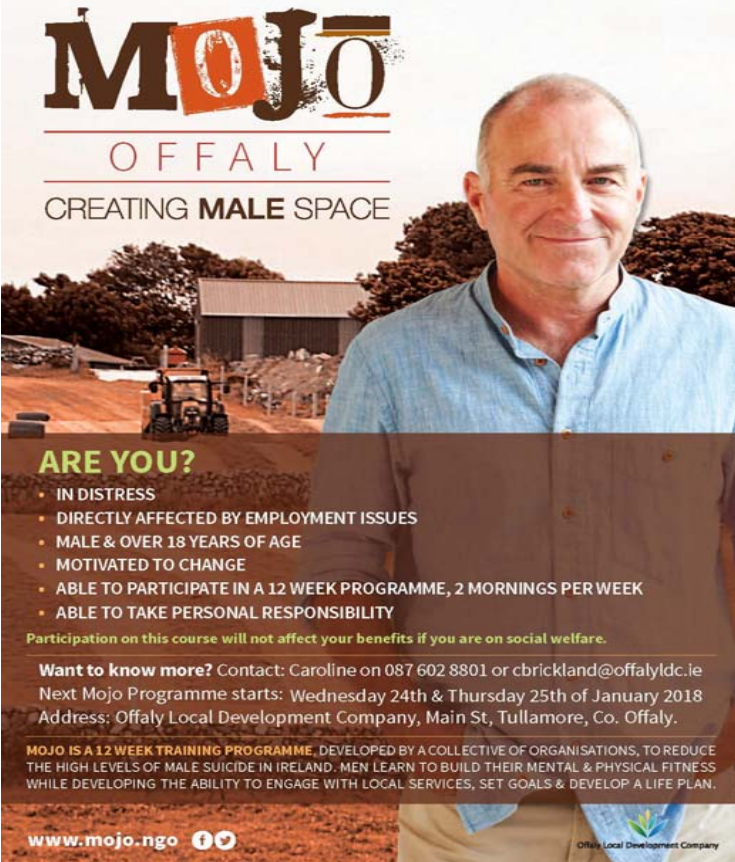
Family Service: Over 50 people including 20 younger members of the parish were in attendance at the November Family Service in Lacca conducted by Mervyn Tomb.

As Mervyn was part of Canon Ian's Children's Ministry Team, this was the final family service to be led by Mervyn for the present. Mervyn has led the monthly interactive family service in Lacca for the past three years.

A presentation was made by all the children to Mervyn at the end of the service in appreciation for his work in developing these family services.

The **Service of Rededication** of the windows in St. Peter's Church on Sunday February 4th 2018 at 3pm, will be conducted by The Most Rev. Michael Burrows.

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Want to know more? Contact: Caroline on 087 602 8801 or cbrickland@offalyldc.ie
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Address: Offaly Local Development Company, Main St, Tullamore, Co. Offaly.

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Mojo is for men who are in distress and affected by employment related issues. The men must be motivated to make changes to their lives. Many men attending Mojo are unemployed for a variety of reasons including: a lack of availability of jobs in their related fields, poor physical or mental health and providing care to a family member.

The training takes place over a 12 week period, Wednesday's 10-1pm and Thursday's 10-2pm in Offaly Local Development Company, Millennium House, Main Street, Tullamore, Co Offaly. The training is free and lunch is provided. A man's benefits will not be affected while participating on the course.

The group training programme combines a unique mix of mental health, adult guidance, physical fitness and social net-

working methodologies that afford men the opportunity to explore the following: how to be and stay well, barriers to achieving their goals and desires and how to plan for their future. In addition to the group work, each man will have two 1:1 sessions with a life planner. The physical element of the programme is conducted by Offaly Sports Partnership.

The intended outcome is that men create a more positive future for themselves and their families. Through the programme, participants are supported to reflect on past experiences and explore current options in order to develop a plan that supports them to have their 'Mojo' intact.

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