

The Newsletter

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The pupils of Clonenagh National School raising the Active Flag with the Mountrath Kettlebells Club on Wednesday 14th February

Clonenagh Group of Parishes

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

Parish Notes

Condolences

To the Harvey family on the death of Moira's uncle **Robert Pepper**, Rathangan, Co. Kildare.

To the Gee family on the death of **Mrs Inez Gee**, who passed away on March 21st. We express our sympathy to her daughters Miriam & Clodagh, son Leslie, daughter-in-law Ann, sons-in-law, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, family and friends. Mrs Gee was treasurer of the select vestry of Mountrath and Roskelton for many years and was also very involved in Mountrath Mart being one of the founder members, serving as Secretary and office manager for over 30 years.



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

Congratulations to Richard and Aisling Harvey on the birth of their daughter Poppy on Friday 16th March, a baby sister for Emily and Tilly.

The **Stations of the Cross Ecumenical Walk** will commence at 10am on Good Friday 30th March from Roskelton Church to the Hollow Church.

Confirmation Service will be in St. Peter's Church Mountrath in October/ November.

Easter Vestries:

Tuesday 17th April: Mountrath and Roskelton at 7.30pm in the Parochial Hall, followed by Borris-in-Ossory and Seir Kieran at 9pm.

Tuesday 24th April: Lacca and Annatrim at 8pm.

Clonenagh Parish fundraising committee are once again holding the **Golf Classic** in Mountrath Golf Club on Friday June 8th 2018. More details nearer the time.

Welcome: It is with great pleasure that we announce the appointment of **Rev Victor Robert Andrew Fitzpatrick B.A.** as our rector for Clonenagh Group of parishes. We hope he will be very happy with us and we look forward to working with him. We also welcome his mother who will occasionally reside with him in the rectory. His Institution will be announced at a later date.

Mother's Union meeting on Monday night at 8pm in the rectory. Guest speaker is Bernadette Cass from the Fruit and Nut shop in Portlaoise. Looking forward to seeing you all there.

GFS Diocesan Service and Prizegiving in St Canice's Cathedral Kilkenny, Sunday 13th May .

GFS Meetings: Friday 13th April and 27th April, 7.15-8.45pm in the Parochial Hall Mountrath.

Anyone who has notes for the **Diocesan Magazine** should get them to Emily Jackson or Serena Senior by April 6th.

The **annual Lacca Ladies Dinner** is on the 27th of April in Mountrath Golf Club (time to be confirmed).

€25 per person, please give your names to Moira Harvey (083-4408002) by April 10th if you would like to attend.

Anyone who hasn't returned their **Garda Vetting Forms** for **Holiday Camp** should please do so as soon as possible.

Our **Fellowship Service** will be held on Thursday 12th of April in **Lacca**, followed by tea. All are welcome.

Lacca third Sunday service is on the 15th of April at 4pm with tea afterwards, all are welcome.

The **Family service** at **Lacca** continues on the fourth Sunday 22nd April at 10.30am.

Good Friday Service in **Lacca** 30th March at 8pm, with all the old favourite Hymns.

Please note change of time: Easter Sunday 1st April **Lacca** Holy Communion service is at **11:00am**.

Safeguarding Trust Training in Parochial Hall Mountrath on Wednesday 18th April at 7.30pm, facilitated by Revd James Mulhall.

On Wednesday 14th February, the pupils of **Clonenagh National School** raised their well earned Active Flag with the help of some of the members of Mountrath Kettlebells Club. One of the members, Conor Broomfield, is a past pupil so it was especially nice to have them with us.

The children have been working towards this flag for over a year. We have been trying out new sports, taking part in **Active Week**, etc.

All our hard work can be seen on www.clonenaghns.weebly.com, our Active Schools Blog!

An "inspector" came to assess our efforts and he was extremely impressed with our efforts. We were ecstatic when it was announced that we are an "**Active School!**" A special word of gratitude goes towards Mr John Noonan and the pupils from the Active School Committee.



Mountrath Kettlebells Club showing us how it's done!

Services & Readings

April						
Sunday 1st <i>Easter Day</i>	Acts 10: 34-43 or Isaiah 25: 6-9 Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11 or Acts 10: 34-43 John 20: 1-18	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Borris-in-Ossory 9.30am Holy Communion	Lacca 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath 11.30am Holy Communion	
Sunday 8th <i>2nd Sunday of Easter</i>	Acts 4: 32-35 or Isaiah 26: 2-9, 19 Psalm 133 1 John 1: 1 - 2: 2 John 20: 19-31	Annatrim 11.00am Morning Prayer		Mountrath 11.30am Morning Prayer		
Sunday 15th <i>3rd Sunday of Easter</i>	Acts 3: 12-19 or Micah 4: 1-5 Psalm 4 1 John 3: 1-7 Luke 24: 36b-48	Roskelton 9.30am Holy Communion	Seir Kieran 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/Sunday 21st/22nd <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i>	Acts 4: 5-12 or Ezekiel 34: 1-10 Psalm 23 1 John 3: 16-24 John 10: 11-18	Seir Kieran Saturday 8.00pm Evening Prayer	Lacca Sunday 10.30am Family Service	Annatrim Sunday 11.00am Holy Communion	Mountrath Sunday 11.30am Morning Prayer	
Sunday 29th <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	Acts 8: 26-40 or Deuteronomy 4: 32-40 Psalm 22: 25-31 1 John 4: 7-21 John 15: 1-8	Roskelton 11.00am Group Service				

Parish Diary

March

26th Monday.....Mothers' Union Meeting (*page 2*)
30th Friday.....Stations Of The Cross Ecumenical Walk (*page 2*)

April

6th Friday.....Closing date for Diocesan Magazine Notes (*page 2*)
12th Thursday.....Lacca Fellowship Service (*page 3*)
13th Friday.....G.F.S. Meeting (*page 2*)
17th Tuesday.....Mountrath & Roskelton Easter Vestry (*page 2*)
17th Tuesday.....Borris-in-Ossory & Seir Kieran Easter Vestry (*page 2*)
18th Wednesday....Safeguarding Trust Training (*page 3*)
18th Wednesday...Closing date for May 2018 Newsletter
27th Friday.....Lacca Ladies Dinner (*page 3*)
27th Friday.....G.F.S. Meeting (*page 2*)

May

13th Sunday.....G.F.S. Diocesan Service & Prizegiving (*page 2*)

Items for the May 2018 Newsletter need to be with the editor by WEDNESDAY April 18th AT THE LATEST, so that the Newsletter can be assembled in time for the Fourth Sunday, April 22nd.

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

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

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