

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – 18th FEBRUARY 2018

(Mass Bk B; Part 1, page 76) **Responsorial Psalm** “Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant.”

PARISH DIARY

Do This In Memory Mass next Sat, 24th Feb at 6pm in St. Coca's and at 10.30am in Newtown on Sun, 25th Feb.

World Meeting of Families National Collection will take place at all Masses next weekend, 24th/25th Feb. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help in St. Coca's Church from Mon, 12th March to Fri, 16th March inclusive at 8pm. Guest speakers every night. More details next week.

Readers for next weekend – St. Coca's: - 6pm Sat Donna Linton – 9am Sun Declan Duke – 12 noon Sun John Cullen & Mick Wosser in Newtown.

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend – St. Coca's: Teresa Jacob, Michael Murphy & Carmel Cahill - 6pm Sat; Cora Walsh - 9am Sun and Mary Forde, Jean Rickard & John Cullen - 12 noon Sun in Kilcock and Beatrice Mallon & Grainne Murray in Newtown.

IN MEMORIAM

We ask prayers for Attracta Cantwell (RIP), Mount Pleasant Nursing Home & Kilkenny, who died during the week. May she rest in peace.

OFFICIAL FAMILY PRAYER FOR WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

God, our Father,

We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,
One family, in the Spirit of your love.

Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind,
gentle and generous,
welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care,
Especially those for whom we now pray;

(We pause and remember family members and others by name)

Increase our faith,
Strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord,

AMEN

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.
Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.
Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us,
Saints Louis and Zéile Martin, pray for us.

46 DAYS OF LENT

Excerpt from Bishop Denis' letter in Scripture Sharing for Lent 2018 K&L

I offer the following list, some are obvious, more not so, but make of them what you will and spend your days of Lent wisely!

Fast on Ash Wednesday – Remember your Baptism – Pray – Take time for Self – Confess – Make it to Mass – Give to Trócaire – Be aware of waste – Pray for Family – Speak Up for Life – Abstain from meat on Fridays – Make space for God in your life – Give up what you enjoy – Take on a new project – Spend time in Eucharistic Adoration – Contact a long-lost friend – Fish on Fridays – Walk in the wilderness or ruggedness – Go to bed earlier – Call in on a neighbour – Be aware of the environment – Reflect on sin in your life – Say “Please” – Don't forget “Thank You” – Carry a Cross in your pocket or on your person – Be brave enough to say I'm Sorry – Fast on Good Friday – Visit a Nursing Home – Make Sunday a rest day – Forgive & Forget – Attend the parish Amoris evenings – Bless yourself at the beginning of the day – Remember to say Night prayers – Light a candle for someone – Give a donation to charity – Reflect on “time” and how quickly it passes – Go to an Alpha evening – Learn a Taize Chant – Linger a little longer after Mass has ended – Pray for Vocations – Pray for a family in the parish – Purchase and read the Bible – Pray the Rosary – Remember to work for Church Unity – Volunteer your time for the community – Work to alleviate homelessness.

By the way, just when I'm at it, Easter Saturday falls on the Saturday AFTER Easter Sunday and not the day before it, which is Holy Saturday!!!

WMOF 2018 RDS, DUBLIN 22nd – 26th AUG

Held every three years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church.

To register, contact www.worldmeeting2018.ie/tickets. You can book as a family, an individual or a group. You can also book for the three days which will also give you a ticket to the two special events on Saturday & Sunday, 25th & 26th Aug. Until the end of February only, if you book for one day you will get a ticket for the Saturday & Sunday. After February, one will have to book for the three days in order to have a ticket for the Saturday & Sunday events. This is because it is a WORLD EVENT and those who book the three days will be given priority for the Saturday & Sunday.

For general information phone 01 5676800 or email: info@worldmeeting2018.ie; for Catechesis and Resources www.worldmeeting2018.ie/amoris.

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01 6287448

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Mon: 10-12 noon; Tue: 9am-2pm; Wed-Fri: 10-1pm
Mon-Fri: 10.30am-12.30pm - 01 6287499

PARISH LOTTO - Tue, 13th Feb 2018

Lotto Nos. 8 – 18 – 19 – 26

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €14,000

3 x €50 Winners: Noel Connealy, P. McKiernan, John Doyle.

Promoters (2 x €50): Anne Hynes, Angie's.

In Hall: (2 x €25): Julie McCarthy, Shirley Farrell.

Thank you for your continued support. Yearly or half-yearly lotto tickets make an ideal gift for any occasion.

ST. BRIGID CROSSES

On behalf of Turas Le Cheile we would like to thank the people of Kilcock & Newtown for their extremely generous donations. A total of €1,474 was raised, this money will go towards upskilling/training, information on the services we provide and maintaining the phone. A special thanks to John & Brigid Tighe for their ongoing help, to Moira & Mark Leonard for making sure we had extra rushes, to all who helped with making the crosses and to Fr. John & Fr. George for their continued support.

Pope Francis has requested a day of prayer and fasting for World Peace on Fri, 23rd Feb.

IN APPRECIATION

The family of the late Billy Maguire would like to sincerely thank all who sympathised with them and attended his funeral mass. We would also like to thank Fr. John, Fr. George and all the doctors and nurses who looked after Billy in Blanchardstown Hospital.

Kilcock ICA – Crochet class for beginners to advanced will commence in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Mon, 19th Feb at 8pm. Please bring a 6mm hook and a ball of Aran wool. Open to all from 18 years upwards. Come along and learn a new skill. **Tin Whistle** class will commence in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Tue, 20th Feb at 9pm. Please bring a "D" whistle and notebook. Open to all from 18 years upwards.

Piloxing (combo of pilates, boxing and dance) will continue at 7.30pm on Tue nights in Scoil Choca Naofa. For info. ring Lorna on 087 9054421.

Kildare & Leighlin Lourdes YOUTH Volunteers wanted for 16th-21st July 2018. If interested, please see notice on noticeboard in front porch.

Maynooth Musicality Launch Night Auditions – your time to shine. Maynooth Music Academy, Sun, 25th Feb 12-3pm. See the noticeboard for details.

LENTEN SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS

These reflections will continue every Tuesday night until 20th March. All are welcome to come read, reflect and respond to the Word of God.

FR JOHN SULLIVAN SJ

The Mass of Thanksgiving for the Beatification of Fr. John Sullivan SJ will be celebrated in Gardiner Street Church, St. Francis Xaviers, Dublin 1 on

Saturday, 24th February at 11am

Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Most Rev. Diarmuid Martin, Archbishop of Dublin. All welcome. For more details contact Cait Cullen on 087 3126241.

MASSSES FOR WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

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| Sat, 17 th Feb | 6pm | Aidan Byrne, Mill Lane (5 th Anniv) & remembering his dad Terry (Anniv) & all deceased members of the Byrne Family Deceased members of the Linnane Family, Ballybrack Carmel Halligan (Anniv) & remembering her husband Christy Josie McDonnell, The Courtyard (Anniv) |
| Sun, 18 th Feb | 9am | |
| | 12 noon | Joe, Helen, John & Anthony Sheridan (Anniv) & remembering Brid Laffan & Theresa Cahill (Anniv) John Lally, late of Lucan (18 th Anniv) |
| Mon, 19 th Feb | 10am | Shared Mass for the Living |
| Tue, 20 th Feb | 10am | Shared Mass for the Deceased |
| Wed, 21 st Feb | 10am | Julia Mullally (Anniv) Special Birthday Remembrance |
| Thu, 22 nd Feb | 10am | Anthony Kelly (2 nd Anniv) Kit, Kathy & Michael Greville and deceased members of the Keating family |
| Fri, 23 rd Feb | 10am | |
| Sat, 24 th Feb | 6pm | Do This In Memory Mass |
| Sun, 25 th Feb | 9am | Sean Gill, Highfield Park (2 nd Anniv) Ryan Lynch (10 th Anniv) John Fitzpatrick (Anniv) & remembering his mam Angie & his dad Christy |
| | 12 noon | Seamus Fowler, Courtown Road (6 th Anniv) & his son Mark (32 nd Anniv) Elizabeth Lannery (Anniv) Margaret Muldowney, Laragh (Anniv) and remembering her husband Timothy. |

Eucharistic Adoration 10.30am-11.30am, 6pm-8pm

Eucharistic Adoration, Little Chapel 5pm-8pm

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

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| Sun, 18 th Feb | 10.30am | Eileen Mulligan, Ovidstown (1 st Anniv) |
| Wed, 21 st Feb | 11am | Eucharistic Adoration |
| Sun, 25 th Feb | 10.30am | Do This In Memory Mass |

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund: 11th Feb. 2018: €1,266.00; Offertory Collection for 11th Feb. 2018: €920.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. **Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund:** A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!