KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – 11th March 2018

(Mass Bk B; Part 1, page 84) Responsorial Psalm "O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not!"

PARISH DIARY

Happy Mothers Day to all the "Mammies" in the Parish.

A "BIG" thank you to all in the Community who helped us survive the "Beast from the East" – to Declan Smith for making sure we had heat, to Philip Edwards, Kevin Morley, Paddy Blake, Tommy Simms Jnr & Snr & Pat Richardson for clearing the snow and making safe St. Coca's Church and Mill Lane, allowing us to have Mass on Sunday last.

Readers for next weekend – St. Coca's: - 6pm John Toohey – 9am Sr. Marie Behan and 12 noon Peadar Montgomery & Mary Murray (17th) and Barry Hennessy (18th) in Newtown.

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend – St. Coca's: - Tom O'Doherty, Breda Hopkins & Helen Noonan 6pm; Margaret Macken & Dympna Deegan - 9am and Mary Forde, Jean Rickard & John Cullen - 12 noon in Kilcock and Eilis Walsh & Pauline Grogan (17th) and Ethel Burke & Mary Murray (18th) in Newtown.

IN MEMORIAM

We ask prayers for Mary Ward (RIP), nee Tallon, Piercetown Avenue & Clarkestown, Summerhill who was buried in Gallow on Friday. May she rest in peace.

A new list for Ministers of the Eucharist from April to end June will be drawn up shortly. It would be appreciated if there were some more volunteers. If there is anyone who has been commissioned and wish to make themselves available, please leave your name and preferred Mass times with Nicola in the Parish Office 01 6287409.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

Planning for this great International celebration is now well at an advanced stage:

"This event is about normal everyday Catholics living their faith and giving witness to their belief and faith in Jesus Christ."

Bishop Kevin Farrell

Congress RDS: $22^{nd} - 24^{th}$ August 2018

Fr. John

The programme and list of speakers are now completed and up on the website, www.wmof2018.ie. Cost is €68 per person, children free but must be registered.

Festival of Families – Croke Park, 25th August – Free Admission

The Closing Mass – Phoenix Park, 26th August – Free Admission

All persons attending these events, including children, must register in order to gain tickets, access, and for safety and security reasons. To register, go to www.wmof2018.ie or phone 01 5676800.

Fr. George

SOLEMN NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

St. Coca's Church, Kilcock
Mon, 12th March – Fri, 16th March 8pm nightly

A number of visiting speakers and Priests will enrich our celebrations during the five-day Novena.

Monday, 12th March Guest Speaker: Mickey Harte Message of Hope

Tuesday, 13th March Guest Speaker: Kathy Kelly Prayer and Family Tree

Wednesday, 14th March Guest Speaker: Fr. Conor Magee C.C. The Road to Priesthood

Thursday, 15th March Guest Speaker: Bernadette Goulding Healing through the Divine Mercy

Friday, 16th March

Guest Speaker: Bishop Denis Nulty

St. Patrick and Young People

ALL ARE WELCOME TO THIS SOLEMN NOVENA

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESE TRIP TO LOURDES

Fr. George will accompany a group to Lourdes for 5 nights on 16 July 2018 - Adults $\mbox{\ensuremath{\ensuremath{6}}}$ per person sharing and Youths (15-23 years of age) $\mbox{\ensuremath{\ensuremath{6}}}$ per person sharing. If you are interested, please contact Parish Office $\mbox{\ensuremath{01}}$ - 6287406.

We also have a committee formed to organise our trip. More details to follow later.

Bishop Denis invites all to join him at the **Chrism Mass 2018** on Monday, 26th March at 7.30pm in Carlow Cathedral, followed by a "cuppa" in Carlow College. All welcome.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Last of the entries and donations will be collected early next week. The parade will assemble at 12.45pm sharp at the junction of the Summerhill Road/Spin Bridge area. It will move off at 1.30pm. The Duck Race, by Kilcock Business Association, will follow in the Canal. *Tá súil agam to mbeidh an aimsir go maith a mbliana agus go mbainfidh gach duine tritneamh as an lá.* Anyone interested in stewarding or helping out on the day, please contact 087 3142292 or any committee member.

Parish Office: 01 6287406; info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie

Office Hours: Mon: 10-12 noon; Tue: 9am-2pm; Wed -Fri: 10-1pm

PARISH LOTTO - Tue, 27th Feb 2018

Lotto Nos. 6 - 15 - 32 - 33

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €14,200

3 x €50 Winners: C. Byrne, Betty Lynch & Dermot Sheehan. Promoters (2 x €50): D. Gorry & P. Malone.

In Hall: (2 x €25): Julie McCarthy & Ruby, Navan.

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

Heads Up: You will be able to play the lotto online in the coming weeks – watch this space ☺

CAPPAGH G.F.C. - Tue, 6th Mar 2018

Lotto Nos. 24 - 25 - 35

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €4,400

€20 Winners x 5: Seamus O'Cuill, Tina Piper, Rene Gorman, Colm Yallop & Mike Hetherington.

Thank you for your continued support.

NEWTOWN COMMUNITY SAYS THANKS

The weather denied us Mass last Sunday. Instead we had a practical demonstration in how to "love one another" – thanks to all the farmers, council men and others who cleared roads, the men from Newtown & Kilcock who delivered groceries and fuel, to those who offered their service or shared their food, thank you one and all. We are blessed to live in a truly Christian community.

Kilcock ICA – *Mothers Day Afternoon T-Dance* will be held in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Sun, 11th March at 3pm. Music by "Footsteps", admission is €5, including refreshments. Looking forward to seeing you there and bring some friends!!

Kilcock ICA – Committee meeting at 7.30pm followed by Guild meeting at 8pm sharp in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Tue, 13th March. New members very welcome, over 18s. Competition: St. Patrick's Day card.

The annual *Glór na nGael Church gate collection* will take place at all masses this weekend, 10th/11th March. Funds collected will be used to send post-primary students to the Gaeltacht during the summer. Bí fial agus cuidigh linn.

Maynooth University Choral will present Handel's oratorio, Messiah, in St Patrick's College Chapel at 4pm on Sun, 11th March.

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

The competition for the "Best Decorated Shop Window" will take place again this year. Judging will take place in the days prior to the St. Patrick's Day parade. Since this year is designated "Bliain na Gaeilge", a greater input in the use of Gaeilge is expected.

Traditional Irish Evening in Kilcock Library on Thu, 15th Mar from 7pm-9pm. If you can sing, play an instrument or dance, do join in OR just come along and enjoy the evening. Light refreshments will be served. All welcome.

Lady required for light housework for elderly lady, 2hrs a day, 4 days a week, ½ mile from Kilcock Ph. 087 9165568.

Newtown Community Group are holding their AGM on Tue, 13th Mar at 9pm in Newtown Hall. All welcome.

MASSES FOR WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 10th Mar 6pm Matthew Bracken, Laragh (Anniv)

John, Kathleen & Pat Bourke, Courtown Road (Anniv)

John Dougan (Anniv)

Rosie O'Connor, Highfield Park (Anniv) Annie & Christina & Tom Fitzsimons (Anniv) Patrick & Ann O'Connor, Gragadder (Anniv)

Sun, 11th Mar 9am Toni Cleary, The Square (1st Anniv)

12 noon Mary White, Highfield Park (1st Anniv) & remembering her husband Liam & daughter Áine

Mon, 12th Mar 10am Shared Mass for the Living

10am Shared Mass for the Living Eucharistic Adoration 10.30am-11.30am

Tue, 13th Mar 10am Shared Mass for the Deceased

Wed, 14th Mar 10am Denis & Norah Hickey (Anniv) & remembering Peggy & Marie Hickey

Thu, 15th Mar 10am Eucharistic Adoration, Little Chapel 5pm-8pm

8pm Novena Mass – Vigil for St. Patrick's Day

Sat, 17th Mar 9am St. Patrick's Day

10am

12 noon 6pm

Sun, 18th Mar 9am

Fri, 16th Mar

12 noon William Gannon, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering his wife Kitty

Martha Brady, Church St. (Anniv) & remembering her husband Nicholas & son Nick

Ellen Cummins, Courtown Road (Anniv)

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 11th Mar 10.30am Anna Pettit (M.M.)

Nicholas & Teresa Butler (Anniv)

Wed, 14th Mar 11am Eucharistic Adoration

Sat, 17th Mar 10.30am Deceased Members of Callaghan family Sun, 18th Mar 10.30am Jack & Eileen Malone, Kilbrook (Anniv)