

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

EASTER SUNDAY - 1st April 2018

(Mass Bk B; Part 1, page 130) **Responsorial Psalm** "This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad."

PARISH DIARY

Fr. John & Fr. George wish to take this opportunity to wish all our Parishoners a very Happy Easter and wish to thank everyone who helped and participated in any way in our Easter ceremonies.

Easter Collection for Priests of the Parish will be taken up at all Masses this weekend at the 2nd Collection. Please use your development envelopes or the white envelopes found at the back of the Church.

Mass at 10am each morning for Easter week.

All Trócaire boxes/donations can be left back to the Church this week, thank you all for your contributions.

Lourdes Fund – Easter chicks on sale after all Masses this weekend and cost €3 each of 4 for €10. All funds raised go towards the Parish Lourdes Fund. Thank you in advance.

Readers for next weekend – Sat 6pm – Patsáí Uí Chatháin, 9am Sun – Margaret Macken & 12 noon Paul Norris.

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend – Theresa Jacob, Michael Murphy & Carmel Cahill 6pm Sat; Assumpta O'Brien & Pat Brady - 9am Sun and Patricia Mitchell & John Cullen - 12 noon.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 2018

The organising committee wish to thank everyone who participated in Parade 2018. The turnout of floats was excellent, considering the Arctic weather conditions experienced on the day. The committee also wish to thank everybody who turned out to support it and also thanked are the various businesses who financially supported it – Go mbeirimid go léir beo ag an am seo arís. Chun críoch a chur leis – we congratulate the six players from the 1958 Kilcock Senior Football team who were our Guests of Honour on the day. Best wishes are also conveyed to the three players unable to attend.

RESULTS

Best Overall Float: Kilcock Men's Shed

Best Commercial Float: SEPCON

Best Non-Commercial Float: Scoil Chóca Naofa

Best Fun Float: CarePlus Pharmacy

Best Individual: Tommy Simms

Best Traditional Irish Float: Feely Bates Academy of Irish Dance

Best Non-Motorised Under 18s Entry: Kilcock Tigers Basketball Club

Funniest/Most Imaginative Float : Kilcock GAA Club

Best Vintage Entry: Paddy Reilly, Kilcloon Vintage Group

Best Shop Window: Vincent's

Effort, Fun & Energy: Mount Pleasant Nursing Home

EASTER SUNDAY

Today is the Sunday of all Sundays. During Lent, we have searched our hearts to find the stones that have blocked us from receiving the new life of Christ. We prepared the ground for the Lord to work powerfully in our lives. Now Jesus has rolled back these stones so that we can enter into a life of freedom, hope and joy.

Lord, as the light of your resurrection dawns, may our Easter alleluia burst forth in new joy and hope!

EASTERTIDE

This holy season begins with the joy of Easter Sunday and ends with the outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost. It is a season filled with the energy of our faith.

Easter is a time for us to know and live the gospel, winning others for Christ and sharing the good news with them. The liturgy of the Word inspires us by the witness of the early Church in the Acts of the Apostles. It invites us to enter into the mystery of the Church through the light of the Gospels so that we can be filled with joy, enthusiasm and courage.

Eastertide is an opportunity for us to receive God's blessing in order that we might be a blessing.

*When Easter bells have fully chimed,
and choirs their last Alleluia rhymed;
when Easter greetings have all been made,
and Easter lilies have begun to fade,
the task of Easter has only begun;
to share our joy with everyone.*

BINGO TABLE QUIZ

A *Table Quiz* with a "bingo twist" will be held in Kilcock GAA Club on Sat, 14th April at 8pm featuring celebrity quizmaster, Brian Redmond (Dancing with the Stars). The event is being run to raise funds for much needed repairs to the roof of St. Coca's Scout Hall. Spot prizes on the night!! Please support this very worthy cause.

KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESE TRIP TO LOURDES

Fr. George will accompany a group to Lourdes for 5 nights on 16 July 2018 - Adults €739 per person sharing and Youths (15-23 years of age) €619 per person sharing. If you are interested, please contact Parish Office 01 – 6287406.

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

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Mon-Fri: 10.30am-12.30pm - 01 6287499

PARISH LOTTO - Tue, 27th March 2018

Lotto Nos. 6 – 8 – 12 – 31

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €14,500**

3 x €50 Winners: Ann Corduff, Pat & Mary Fagan, Calvin Murphy.

Promoters (2 x €50): Dympna Gorry & Angie's.

In Hall: (2 x €25): Fiona Hanafin, Nicola Ward.

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

CAPPAGH G.F.C. – Tue, 27th Mar 2018

Lotto Nos. 2 – 7 – 8

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €4,700**

€20 Winners x 5: John Curtin, Mary Loughlin, Zach Thompson, Pat O'Loughlin, Paddy Cullen.

Thank you for your continued support.

THE MIRACLES OF EASTER

The sleeping earth awakens,
the robins start to sing,
the flowers open wide their eyes,
to tell us it is Spring.

The bleakness of the winter
is melted by the sun,
the tree that looked so stark and dead
becomes a living one.
these miracles of Easter
wrought with divine perfection,
are the blessed reassurance
of our Saviour's Resurrection.

Kilcock ICA – ICA Annual General Meeting will take place in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Tue, 10th April at 8pm; preceded by committee meeting at 7.30pm. **Craft Classes** – Crochet class, or any craft of your choice, continues on Tue, 3rd April in St. Coca's Scout Hall at 8pm. Enquiries to Mary on 087 1300571. **T-Dance** will be held in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Sun, 8th April at 3pm. Admission is €5, incl. refreshments. See you there!!

Kilcock Tidy Towns – AGM will be held in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Thursday, 12th April at 8pm. All welcome.

Kildare Lily White clean up day 2018 – Saturday, 7th April. In Kilcock we meet at gates of Courtown Estate at 10.30am. Please wear gloves, wellies and high-vis jackets. Further information on 087 8506269.

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

Newtown Community Group are organising a village and surrounding areas clean up on Sat, 7th Apr. Volunteers are needed to help clean our community – meet up at 10.30am at Newtown Hall. **Many hands will make light work!**

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.

The Venture Scouts will be running a "bake sale" after Mass across from the Church on Easter Sunday, 1st April (NO JOKE) to help raise funds for their expedition to Holland as part of Roverway 2018. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Daffodil Day 2018 – our recent collection realised the sum of €5,900 (an increase of €550 on 2017). Anne & Geraldine wish to thank sincerely all volunteers, contributors, Browne's, Post Office, SuperValu and the Chocolate Box for their co-operation in making this day the success it is. The money has been lodged to the Irish Cancer Society.

Messiah performance in Castletown House on Sat, 7th April at 7.30pm featuring Peter Manning (Bass), Eoin Hynes (Tenor) & Niall Kinsella (Conductor). All welcome.

MASSES FOR WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

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| Sat, 31st Mar | 9pm | EASTER VIGIL Annie & Davy Dalton, Courtown Road (Anniv) |
| Sun, 1 st Apr | 9am | EASTER SUNDAY |
| | 12 noon | |
| Mon, 2 nd Apr | 10am | Shared Mass for the Living |
| Tue, 3 rd Apr | 10am | Shared Mass for the Deceased |
| Wed, 4 th Apr | 10am | Kathleen & John Kenny (Anniv) Rita Delaney (Anniv) Liam Malone (Anniv) Thank You Mass from Angie's for All Customers, Past & Present |
| Thu, 5 th Apr | 10am | Kathleen McSherry (1 st Anniv & Birthday Remembrance) Christine O'Rourke (Anniv), remembering her husband Thomas, daughter & sons & grandson Paul |
| Fri, 6 th Apr | 10am | Delia Walsh (1 st Anniv) <i>requested by Adoration and Rosary Groups</i> |
| Sat, 7 th Apr | 6pm | Mary Duff (7 th Anniv) Maureen Fagan, Highfield Park (12 th Anniv) |
| Sun, 8 th Apr | 9am | |
| | 12 noon | John & Rita Malone, Ballycannon (Anniv) |

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

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| Sun, 1 st Apr | 6am | EASTER DAWN MASS |
| | 10.30am | EASTER SUNDAY |
| Wed, 4 th Apr | 11am | Eucharistic Adoration |
| Sun, 8 th Apr | 10.30am | Frank Condron (Anniv) |

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund: 25th Mar. 2018: €1,565.00; Offertory Collection for 25th Mar. 2018: €1,012.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. **Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund:** A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!