KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN,

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 2nd DECEMBER 2018

(Responsorial Psalm "To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul."

PARISH DIARY

New rota for Ministers of the Word now available for any minister who did not receive through email, please collect from Parish Office or Sacristy.

Readers for next weekend – Sat 6pm – Pat Brady, 9am Sun – Ray Manning & 12 noon – Sean Walsh.

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend – Eithne & Michael Minogue - 6pm Sat; Pat Brady & Attracta O'Brien - 9am Sun & Claire Dunne, Sheelagh Kelly & John Cullen - 12 noon.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

BALDONNEL SINGERS (male voice choir) Concert on Sunday, 2nd December at 7pm in St. Coca's Church, Kilcock; accompanied by young Kildare talent **Patrick Hyland, Tenor** and **Ruby Boland, Soprano**. Tickets on sale now and cost €15 each, €30 family ticket ad are available from Parish Office, Parish Shop, Imelda in Newtown, L'Horizon, Books & Gifts, Chocolate Box & O'Keefee's Off-licence. All funds raised on the night go to support the Parish. All welcome.

GIVING TREE

This year we are working with our local St. Bridget's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul helping local families.

Take a tag, buy a gift suitable for child (details on tag) and leave back to St. Coca's Church before 16th Dec. Thank you, as always, for your support of this project.

SVP - STAY WARM SAVING SCHEME

Stay warm and take the chill off your bill! Save up for your central heating oil/solid fuel! Saving fuel stamp cards and stamps available from John Ryan Butchers (01 6287189), Vincent's Shop (01 6284269), Kilcock Post Office (01 6287201) & The Chocolate Box (01 6287503) and cost €5 each.

KILCOCK MEN'S SHED OPEN DAY AND CRAFT SALE

We are holding an open day and craft sale on Sat/Sun, 8th & 9th Dec from 10am-4pm.

All items for sale are hand-crafted by the members and would make ideal Christmas gifts. Come along to the Shed at Church St., have a cuppa and see what the Shed is all about. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICES

"SING AGAIN THE CHRISTMAS STORY"

Sun, 9th Dec. at 7.30pm - St. Coca's Church Thu, 13th Dec. at 7.30pm - Church of the Nativity, Newtown

ADVENT SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS

Reflections will continue on Tuesday evenings, 4th, 11th and 18th December in the room behind the Parish Office from 8pm-9pm each night. All welcome.

Human beings are works in progress that mistakenly think they're finished!

NATIONAL TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

Under the National Transport Authority, a local link bus server is being introduced for rural areas around Kilcock and Enfield.

A Friday service for Newtown, Cappagh, Cloncurry, Ballinakill & surrounding areas, this service is designed to cater for people collecting pensions, shopping, chemist, etc.

Free to all who are travel pass holders. For details, call Frank on 086 2728644.

Advent has a twofold character: (1) as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered and (2) as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Advent is, therefore, a period for devout and joyful expectation.

REFLECTION FOR 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Father, we are waiting and watching, for the return of Christ our Lord in glory.

Long ago you anointed Jesus Christ with the oil of gladness as our eternal priest and universal king.

As priest He offered His life on the altar of the cross and redeemed the human race by this one perfect sacrifice of praise.

As king He has dominion over all creation, that He may present to you, His almighty Father, an eternal and universal kingdom; a kingdom of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.

AMEN

 Parish Office:
 01 6287406; info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie

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

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

Fr. John 01 6287448

Fr. George 01 6103512

PARISH LOTTO - Tue, 27th Nov 2018

Lotto Nos. 3 - 10 - 13 - 15

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €18,000

3 x €50 Winners: Rose Murphy, Alice Casey, Peter Reilly.

Promoters (2 x €50): Brendan Leonard, Jim Leonard.

In Hall: (2 x €25): Gary White, Fr. John.

Thank you for your continued support. Yearly or half-yearly lotto tickets make an ideal gift for any occasion. Lotto now available on-line!

KILCOCK GAA - Sun, 25th Nov 2018

Lotto Nos. 1 - 5 - 17 - 27

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €9,800

€50 Winners x 5: Robert Finn, John Doyle, BT Montague, Aoife Divilly, Barry Lundy.

Promoters: Brendan Macken, Michael McGinley.

Thank you for your continued support.

CAPPAGH G.F.C. - Tue, 27th Nov 2018

Lotto Nos 11 - 19 - 21

2 Winners: Aaron Cullen; Peg Brien Next Jackpot: €600

€20 Winners x 5: Rita Walsh, Gerry Connolly, Nessa Ryan, Genevieve O'Loughlin, Fantastic Four.

> Thank you for your continued support. Lotto now available on-line!

Newtown National School are holding their annual Christmas Fair on Wed, 5th Dec. at 7pm. School plays will commence at 7pm in the hall. Come along for any enjoyable evening and a hot cuppa while supporting your local school.

Kilcock ICA – Festive T-Dance will be held in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Sun, 2nd Dec. at 3pm. All welcome. Great music, adm. is €5, incl. refreshments. See you there!

Early Years Practicioner's required: full, part-time and relief positions available. Minimum QQI Level 5 in Childcare. Contact Felicity on 01 6519980.

St. Vincent de Paul's annual Christmas collection will be held outside both St. Coca's Church & Church of the Nativity, Newtown on Sat/Sun, 8th & 9th Dec after all masses. Thank you for your support.

Progressive 25s every Monday night in Kilcock GAA Club at 9pm sharp. Newcomers are very welcome.

SJM School of Motoring - local driving instructor. Gift vouchers available – ideal Christmas gift. For details www.sjm.ie or phone 085 7270319.

Piloxing (Box/pilates) for adults and teens in Scoil Choca Naofa on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm. Classes are pay as you go, €8 for adults and €5 for teens and students. To book your place, ring/text Lorna on 087 9054421.

Night Vigil in Knock on Fri, 7th Dec. Bus leaving the Spa Hotel at 6pm. Price €40, incl. refreshments. Ph. Mary 087 2885551.

Parish Shop - Christmas stock now available - mass bouquets, Christmas cards, cribs, candles etc. Open Mon-Fri, 10.30am-12.30pm. Now open on Sat. mornings from 10.30am-12.30pm and after all weekend masses.

Line Dancing Classes on Mon. evenings at 7.30pm in Newtown Hall. All welcome, no experience needed, only €6 per class, dancing to all types and styles of music. See you there!

Kilcock Foot Clinic – For appointment or home visit, ph; Mary Brogan 087 2675243/6287900 or Audrey Glynn 083 4498282; catering for nail reduction, corn & callous removal, diabetic footcare, ingrowing tail nails, fungal infections. All areas covered.

Eucharistic Adoration 10.30-11.30am; 6-8pm

MASSES FOR WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 1st Dec Kathy Carr, Courtown Park (Anniv)

Kathleeen & Michael Campbell, Belgard (Anniv)

Michaela Logan (11th Anniv)

Sun, 2nd Dec John, Lena and Brendan Sims (Anniv) 9am

William & Rita Farrelly, The Mill (Anniv) & remembering Peter, John & James Byrne, also The Mill

Baby Ben Nolan (2nd Anniv) 12 noon

Tom Bonney, Courtown Road (4th Anniv)

Margaret Bohan, formerly Station Road (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

Bogumila Nazimek & Boleslav Mazur (Remembrance)

Mon, 3rd Dec 10am Shared Mass for the Living

Tue. 4th Dec 10am Shared Mass for the Deceased Maura McSweeney, Abbeyfield (1st Anniv)

Wed, 5th Dec 10am 10am

Thu, 6th Dec Fri, 7th Dec Sat, 8th Dec 10am

Do This In Memory - Scoil Uí Riada leading

Jimmy Quaine, Church St. (1st Anniv) Sun, 9th Dec 9am Patrick & Elizabeth Burke, late Courtown Lodge (Anniv)

Eithne O'Connor, Courtown Road (M.M.) 12 noon

Michael Mulhall, Duncreevan (Anniv) & remembering his wife Maura (Birthday Remembrance)

Gretta Flynn (Anniv) & remembering her husband Larry Michael Whitty (6th Anniv) & Kitty Whitty (13th Anniv)

Margaret & Michael Lavin (Anniv) & all deceased family members

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 2nd Dec Kathleen Grogan, Hortland (2nd Anniv) 10.30am

Mossie & Brigid Wrenn (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Wrenn family

Christopher & Margaret Murray (Anniv)

Wed, 5th Dec **Eucharistic Adoration** 11-12noon

Sun, 9th Dec 10.30am Do This in Memory - Newtown leading