KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – 10th MARCH 2019

Responsorial Psalm - "Be with me, O Lord, in my distress." (Mass Book Year C; Part 1 - page 73)

PARISH DIARY

Petitions for our Novena of Perpetual Help are available at front of Church. Please fill out and place in petition box. All petitions will be included in our Novena masses during the coming week.

Lenten Collection for Priests of the Parish will be taken up at all masses this weekend. Please use envelope provided in development box or white envelope at back of Church. Thank you for your continued support.

Healing mass in Newtown next Sat, 16th March at 2pm.

Confirmation for 6^{th} Class students on Sat, 23^{rd} March – 10am & 2pm St. Coca's and 12 noon in Newtown.

Readers for next weekend – Sat 6pm – Elaine Mahon, 9am Sun – Margaret Simms & 12 noon – Willie Hughes.

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend – Aisling Bracken, Pamela Cribbin & Pat Richardson - 6pm Sat; Cora Walsh, Philomena Obasi & John Wynne - 9am Sun & Mary Forde, Jean Rickard & Marie McCormack - 12 noon.

LENT

Do you want to fast this Lent? Suggestions from Pope Francis!

- Fast from hurting words and say kind Words!
- Fast from sadness and be filled with Gratitude!
- Fast from anger and be filled with Patience!
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with Hope!
- Fast from worries and trust in God!
- Fast from complaints and contemplate Simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be Prayerful!
- Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with Joy!

ST. PATRICKS DAY PARADE

All floats must be in place at 12.45pm. Please have your numbers with you and clearly displayed. Parade moves off at 1.30pm approx. to arrive in the Square at 1.40pm approx. All we need now is good weather and a most enjoyable day is guaranteed Parade presentation will be in GAA Centre on Fri, March 22nd at 9pm. P.S. OBEY Gardai and Stewards at all times.

BEST SHOP WINDOW DISPLAY

Judging for this will take place on Fri, 15th Mar/Sat. 16th Mar. An effort should be made to feature the Irish language in some form. Tá súil again go ndéanfar an iarracht Gaeilge a usáid.

SOLEMN NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

St. Coca's Church, Kilcock Mon, 11th March – Fri, 15th March 8pm nightly

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

Monday, 11th March *Guest Speaker: Jim Deeds Finding God in the mess*

Tuesday, 12th March Guest Speaker: Olive Shaughnessy Keeping faith through illness

Wednesday, 13th March Guest Speaker: Dr. Andrew Meszaros Faith and our families

Thursday, 14th March *Guest Speaker: Rita Bolger Life changed through God's word*

Friday, 15th March Guest Speaker: Fr. Brian Shortall OFM Cap Hearing the Good News in the midst of our World today

ALL ARE WELCOME TO THIS SOLEMN NOVENA

Enrolment now open for 2019/2020 for all classes in Newtown National School. For more details, please contact 049 9541122 or email: <u>scoilbailenua.ias@eircom.net</u>.

IN MEMORIAM

We remember in our prayers Mary Ann O'Callaghan (RIP), mother of Bridie Eaves, Knocknatulla, who died recently. We also ask prayers for Maura Gavin (RIP), sister of Anne Cleary, who died on Friday. May they rest in peace.

LENTEN SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS

The reflections continue each Tuesday evening, from 5th March throughout Lent, from 8pm-9pm, in room behind Parish office. All welcome.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Kilcock Community Mens Shed present, in concert, "The Men's Shed Choir" in St. Coca's Church on Sun, 7th April 2019, 7pm – 9pm, accompanied by Kilcock SUSO Choir. Come along and enjoy this evening of song. All welcome.

Fr. John 01 6287448

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 5th Mar 2019

Lotto Nos. 5 - 11 - 24 - 29

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €18,000

3x€50 Winners: Tina Melia, Nora Flood, Ronan & Pheona. Promoters (2x€50): Beatrice Mallon, Pat Mahon.

In Hall: (2x€25): Mark Gannon, Mary Murray.

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

KILCOCK GAA – Sun, 3rd Mar 2019

Lotto Nos. 17 – 18 – 21 – 31

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €11,100

5x€50 Winners: John Buggy, Mark Dowling, BT Montague, David Keogh, Kelly & Moll Maher.

Promoters: Mark McCashin, Brigid Fitzpatrick.

Thank you for your continued support.

NATIONAL CHILDREN'S CHOIR 2019

Scoil Chóca Naofa, Scoil Uí Riada, St. Joseph's NS and Straffan NS

This event takes place on Wed, 10^{th} April 2019, 8pm in the National Basketball Arena, Tallaght. Tickets cost \notin 15 and are available from any of the schools.

Alzheimer Café Leixlip – Wed, 13th Mar 7pm-9pm. Join us in the "Conservatory", Ryevale Nursing Home. Speaker this month is from the Citizens Advice Bureau. Attendance is free and there is plenty of parking available. For more info. go to www.alzheimercafeleixlip.ie or phone 087 7418512.

Glór na nGael - Annual Church Gate Collection takes place at all masses this weekend. Your support will be very much appreciated. Go raibh maith agaibh.

Kilcock ICA – Committee meeting on Tue, 12th Mar at 8pm followed by Guild meeting at 9pm in St. Coca's Scout Hall. Competition: St. Patrick's Day badge. New members, over 18, very welcome.

T-Dance will be held in St. Coca's Scout Hall on Sun, 10^{th} Mar. at 3pm. Music by "Footsteps". Join us for great dancing to good music. Adm. is \notin 5 incl. refreshments. Hope to see you there!

Wanted: Permanent Part-time Optical Assistant required for opticians in Maynooth. Phone 01 – 6290370.

Super Bingo in Summerhill Community Centre at 3pm on Sun, 10^{th} Mar. Prize money of €3,500 on the day. Jackpot of €1,000 must be won on the day. Raffle on the day also -1^{st} Prize -A freezer-ready Spring Lamb. All welcome.

Spring Art classes will commence on Mon morning 25^{th} Mar and Wednesday evening 27^{th} Mar. The 5-week course of 2 hours per week will cover a variety of painting and drawing methods in a relaxed atmosphere. For more info. contact 085 - 8466020 or 045 869883.

Wanted – kitchen assistant needed for weekend work. Phone 01 6287285 or email <u>reception@shalom.ie</u>.

The Teresa Brayton Players present two one-act comedy plays in Newtown Hall from 21^{st} Mar -24^{th} Mar 2019. If you want a good laugh, come along. Tickets can be booked by texting number required and name to 087 69448590. A great night is promised with wonderful traditional music at interval. Tickets cost $\in 10$ each.

Newtown Choir & Cappagh GAA would like to wish Frank Roche and Liam McDonnell the best of luck in Wexford Opera House on Sunday as they represent the club and County in the Leinster Final of Scór.

Irish Grinds – Leaving & Junior Certificate tuition available – one-to-one or group. Prices vary depending on examination. For further info. contact Aidan Faughey on 087 2471721.

MASSES FOR WEEK

St. Coca's, K	lilcock	
Sat, 9 th Mar	6pm	Bernie Flattery, Courtown Park (M.M.) Bridget & Michael O'Shea (Anniv) & James Daly (Anniv) John Dougan, Cooltrim (Anniv) John, Kathleen & Pat Bourke, Courtown Road (Anniv) Kate & Mick Ward; John, Margaret, Tim & Francis O'Neill (Anniv) & remembering John Barrett Annie, Tom & Christina Fitzsimons, Kilbrook (Anniv) Mary & Seamus Brilly, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering theirs sons Pat & James and all
Sun, 10 th Mar	9am	deceased family members Patrick O'Connor (Anniv)
5 an, 10 mai	12 noon	Toni Cleary, The Square (Anniv) & remembering Maria & Tommy Rita & Jack Nugent, Highfield Park (Anniv) Mary, Liam & Aine White (Remembrance)
Mon, 11 th Mar	10am	Shared Mass for the Living <i>Eucharistic Adoration 10.30-11.30am; 6-8pm</i>
Tue, 12 th Mar	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 13 th Mar	10am	Thomas, Ann, Johnnie & Packie Kellegher, Co. Leitrim (Anniv)
Thu, 14 th Mar	10am	
Fri, 15 th Mar	10am	
Sat, 16 th Mar	6pm	Martin Kelly (4 th Anniv)
Sun, 17 th Mar	9am	St. Patrick's Day
	12 noon	
Church of the Nativity, Newtown		
Sun, 10 th Mar Wed, 13 th Mar Sun, 17 th Mar	11-12noon	Nicholas & Teresa Butler (Anniv) <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> St. Patrick's Day

The Callaghan Family, Ovidstown (Anniv)

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund: 3rd Mar 2019: €1,550.00; Offertory Collection: €927.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. **Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund:** A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!