

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 1st DECEMBER 2019

(Mass Bk C; Part 1, page 26) **Responsorial Psalm** "To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul."

PARISH DIARY

Christmas Carol Service on Fri, 13th Dec. at 7.30pm in St. Coca's Church. All welcome.

Carol Service in Newtown on Thu, 19th Dec. at 7pm with both Tiermohan and Newtown Schools. All welcome.

Do This In Memory Mass on Sat, 7th Dec at 6pm in St Coca's with Scoil Uí Riada leading and on Sun, 8th Dec at 10.30am in Newtown with Tiermohan leading.

Readers for next weekend – Sat 6pm – Aisling Bracken, 9am Sun – Timothy Obasi & 12 noon – Pat Barrett.

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend – Breda Hopkins, Tom O'Doherty & Pat Richardson - 6pm Sat; Margaret Macken & Dympna Deegan 9am Sun; Patricia Mitchell & Philomena Obasi - 12 noon Sun.

IN MEMORIAM

We ask prayers for Teresa Monaghan, nee Fields (RIP), late of Foxrock/Kilcock, who died during the week and whose funeral takes place after 12 noon mass on Sunday. We also remember Delia Adams, nee Nolan (RIP), Killarney, sister-in-law of Margaret, Belgard; and also Lorraine Bonnell Tosiani (RIP), Australia, sister of Frances and Jackie, Royal Meadows, both of whom died recently. May they rest in peace.

GIVING TREE

We are launching our Giving Tree this week and, like last year, we will work 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 20th Dec. Thank you, as always, for your support of this project. *"Give a little, it will help a lot!"*

The greatest happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved; loved for ourselves, or rather, loved in spite of ourselves.

Take **time** to think; it is the source of **power**.

Take time to read; it is the foundation of **wisdom**.

Take time to play; it is the secret of staying **young**.

Take time to be quiet; it is the opportunity to seek **peace**.

Take time to be aware; it is the opportunity to **help others**.

Take time to laugh; it is the music of the **soul**.

Take time to be friendly; it is the road to **happiness**.

Take time to dream; it is what the **future** is made of.

Take time to love; it is the **greatest power** on earth.

There is time for everything.

REFLECTION 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sisters and brothers, today is the first day of the season of Advent. In four weeks' time we will celebrate Christmas and the coming of the Son of God among us as our prophet, our priest, and our king. But to know who Jesus is, we must recall the faith of the people who looked out for Him, we must look to the writings of the Old Testament to see what they say about the promise of God to visit his people – and during these coming weeks we will read much from the prophet Isaiah; we must recall those who prepared the way for His coming – and we will recall the work of John the Baptist; and we will reflect on how the Christ comes to birth in our world through our faith and discipleship – and we will remember Mary, whose faith and acceptance of the invitation of God inaugurated the whole Christian era. Let us stop and in silence, note that this moment is an important turning point in our year.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS 2019

Reflections take place in the room behind the Parish Office on Tuesday evenings at 8pm up to and including December 17th. All welcome.

KILCOCK GAA CLUB

on

SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER

New Carvery Being Served

12.30pm – 4.30pm

All Adult Main Courses €10.95

Senior Citizens Meals €8.50

Live Music 12.30pm – 2pm

THE LONE ARRANGER FLORIST

Festive Wreath-Making Workshops 2019

Mon, 2nd & Wed, 4th Dec. – 7pm-9pm

in

The Castle Room at Hatton's of Garadice

Cost: €60

Wreaths are approx. 30cm in diameter and made of fresh Irish grown noble fir.

Join the Lone Arranger Florist for a fun-filled evening creating your own bespoke festive wreath. Start the evening with a glass of Prosecco or a festive drink of your choice, and then enjoy a demo of how to make your own festive wreath to take home! A great way to spend an evening with friends or make new ones! All festive materials supplied.

Book your place now online at thelonearranger.ie or contact Marion Sinnott @ 087 2486690.

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 26th Nov. 2019

Lotto Nos. 3 – 6 – 13 – 23

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €18,000

(3 x €50) Winners: James O’Connel, Jenny Hosey & Regina Pidgeon

Promoters (2 x €50): Kilcock & Newtown Parish, B. Duff.

In Hall: (2 x €25): Mary Murray, Shirley Farrell.

We plan to give out prizes (3 x €200 Punters and 4 x €100 Promoters) for the 3 weeks in December - i.e €1,000 every week if Lotto not won!

Thank you for your continued support.

Yearly/half-yearly lotto tickets make an ideal gift for Christmas.

CAPPAGH G.F.C. – Tue, 26th Nov. 2019

Lotto Nos. 5 – 31 – 35

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €900

(5 x €20) Winners: Sean Gorman, Michael Montague, John O’Gorman, Maureen O’Keeffe, Maura Milliner.

Vouchers: Paddy Byrne & Imelda Regan.

Thank you for your continued support.

Instead of comparing our lot with that of those who are more fortunate than we are, we should compare it with the lot of the great majority of our fellow men. It then appears that we are among the privileged.

Helen Keller

Kilcock ICA – Committee meeting followed by guild meeting will be held in St. Coca’s Scout Hall on Wed, 4th Dec. Fees due on the night! New members, over 18, very welcome.

T-Dance in St. Coca’s Scout Hall on Sun, 1st Dec. at 3pm. Great music by Footsteps. Join us for an enjoyable afternoon of dancing. Adm. is €5 incl. tea. See you there!!

Christmas Party – Our Senior Citizens party will be held in St. Coca’s Scout Hall on Wed, 11th Dec. commencing with the celebration of Mass at 7.30pm. Everyone very welcome. Names to be given in at “Open Door” on Friday morning if you would like to join us.

St. Vincent De Paul – are holding their annual Church Gate Collection next weekend, 7th/8th December at all masses. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Summerhill GAA Super Christmas Bingo – in Summerhill Community Centre on Sun, 8th Dec. at 3pm. €3,500 in prize money with a jackpot of €1,000 to be won on the day! Lots of spot prizes, super raffle on the day for €150 voucher for John Hussey Butchers and several Christmas hampers.

Parish Shop will now open on Sat. mornings from 10.30am-12.30pm and after all weekend masses for a short spell from next weekend. Lots of Christmas items now available, come in and browse, great value guaranteed.

Childminder required to mind child in own home in Kilcock starting in Jan. 2020. Contact Aoife - 086 3554556.

Vincents – we would greatly appreciate donations of reusable clothes, bric-a-brac, curtains and other household items.

Carers needed in all areas of Kildare. Pay €13-€15 per hour. Must have QQI Care of the Elderly & Care Skills completed, also must be a driver. For more information, call Lorraine on 087 9954567 or email lorraine.weldon@connected.health.ie.

MASSES FOR WEEK

St. Coca’s, Kilcock

Sat, 30 th Nov	6pm	Brigid Weldon, Laragh (Anniv) Thomas Cummins (Anniv) Sean McGhee (Anniv) & remembering his wife Mary
Sun, 1 st Dec	9am	John, Leana & Brendan Simms (Anniv) William “Liam” & Rita Farrelly, late of Mill Lane (Anniv) & remembering their daughter Anne, recently deceased Patrick & Elizabeth Burke, Back Lodge Courtown (Anniv)
Mon, 2 nd Dec	12 noon	Mary & Paddy Conlon (Anniv)
Tue, 3 rd Dec	10am	Shared Mass for the Living
Wed, 4 th Dec	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Thu, 5 th Dec	10am	Patrick & Terence Reilly (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members Seamus O’Rourke, Courtown Rd (Anniv) Donna & Baby John Reilly (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members
Fri, 6 th Dec	10am	Bridget & Peter Prior (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members
Sat, 7 th Dec	6pm	Do This In Memory – Scoil Uí Riada leading Cathy Carr, Courtown Park (3 rd Anniv)
Sun, 8 th Dec	9am	
	12 noon	Gretta Flynn, late of Courtown Rd (Anniv) & remembering her husband

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 1 st Dec	10.30am	Christopher & Margaret Murray (Anniv) Kathleen Grogan (Anniv) Deceased Members of Cappagh GAA
Wed, 4 th Dec	11-12noon	Eucharistic Adoration
Sun, 8 th Dec	10.30am	Do This In Memory – Tiermohan leading Beattie Nealon, Corcoranstown (1 st Anniv) & remembering her husband Peter & her two grandchildren David & Ciarán

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund: 24th Nov. 2019: €1,460.00; Offertory Collection: €912.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. **Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund:** A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!