

KILCOCK AND NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 1st August 2021

A BLESSING

*May Almighty God bless you with a faith that never falters.
May he inspire you to lead others to Christ by the way you live.
May the Eucharist bring you healing and lead you to eternal glory.*

PARISH DIARY

Come and have a cup of tea with us in Scoil Choca Naofa, Kilcock on Thursday, 12th August after 10am mass and again on Sunday, 15th August after 12 noon mass and wish Fr. John every good wish as he moves “up the road” to Staplestown/Cooleragh Parish. Also, after 10.30am mass in Newtown on Sun, 8th August in Newtown Hall. All welcome.

As and from Sun, 15th August there will be **NO** 10.30am mass in St. Coca’s.

Readers for this weekend – Sat 6pm – Helen Noonan; Sun 9am – Eilish O’Brien; 10.30am – Ray Manning; 12 noon – Willie Hughes.

Eucharistic Ministers for this weekend – Sat 6pm - Breda Hopkins & Tom O’Doherty; Sun 9am – Dympna Deegan & Margaret Macken; 10.30am – Patricia Mitchell & Cora Walsh; 12 noon – Jean Rickard & Claire Dunne.

IN MEMORIAM

We ask prayers for Mrs Maggie Staunton (RIP), Mulhussey and Sr. Patricia O’Byrne (RIP), Presentation Convent, both of whom were buried during the week. We also ask prayers for Billy Mooney (RIP), Rathcoffey & Gragadder, whose funeral mass takes place in St. Coca’s Church on Monday, 2nd Aug at 10am. May they rest in peace.

I will love the sun for it warms my bones;
Yet I will love the rain for it cleanses my spirit.
I will love the light for it shows me the way;
Yet I will love the darkness for it shows me the stars.
I will welcome happiness for it enlarges my heart,
Yet I will endure sadness for it opens my soul.
I will acknowledge rewards for they are my due;
Yet I will welcome obstacles for they are my challenge.

The world has enough beautiful mountains and meadows,
spectacular skies and serene lakes.

It has enough lush forests, flowered fields
and sandy beaches.

It has plenty of stars and the promise of a new sunrise
and sunset every day.

What the world needs more of is people
to appreciate and enjoy it.

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In last Sunday’s gospel we saw how Jesus gave bread to the people in the desert. But when they came back next day for more of the same he said to them, “Do not work for perishable food: work for the food that endures to eternal life.”

We are here to receive the food “that endures to eternal life”. Let us open our hearts to receive the food that only the Lord can give us.

Lord Jesus, you nourish our minds with the bread of faith. Lord, have mercy.

You nourish our spirits with the bread of hope. Christ, have mercy.

You nourish our hearts with the bread of love. Lord, have mercy.

God provided a mysterious food called manna for the Israelites during their sojourn in the desert.

However, they were told not to stockpile the manna, but to gather only what they needed for one day.

This was meant to teach them to trust in God’s providence on a daily basis.

No matter how difficult life may be, for those who trust in God, and live a day at a time, the manna of this help falls every day.

If you have hard work to do, do it now.

*Today the skies are clear and blue,
tomorrow clouds may come in view,
yesterday is not for you;
do it now.*

If you have a song to sing, sing it now.

*Let the notes of gladness ring,
clear as song of birds in Spring,
let everyday some music bring;
sing it now.*

If you have kind words to say, say them now.

*Tomorrow may not come your way.
Loved ones will not always stay;
say them now.*

If you have a smile to show, show it now.

*Make hearts happy, roses grow.
Let the friends around you know
the love you have before they go.*

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PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 27th July 2021

Lotto Nos. 5 – 14 – 15 – 28

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €15,200

(3x€50) Winners: Monica Timmons, Damien Maxwell, Mary Preston.

Promoters (2x€50): Anne Devine & Susie O'Brien.

*Thank you for your continued support.
Yearly/half-yearly lotto tickets make ideal gifts for any occasion.*

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers rotas will be done in the coming week for the next 3 months. If you do not want to do either Ministry, please let us know in the Parish Office as soon as possible. Thank you all for your continued support in these challenging times.

WANTED: Driver sought for older gentleman in Donadea area for occasional appointments and outings. Phone 086 2477456 for details.

Tired of lockdowns? Kids in need of activities and fun? Cappagh has the answer. This summer, Cappagh GAA will be hosting a football Cúl Camp from 9th-13th Aug. Log to to Cúl Camps and register on- line. Fun and exercise guaranteed.

KILCOCK GAA – Sun, 25th July 2021

Lotto Nos. 3 – 11 – 17 – 19

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €19,300

(5x€25) Winners: Donna & Angela, Paul Brennan, Suzanne Maguire, Darren Conroy, Mick Duggan.

Promoters Prizes: John Ryan & Bridget McSweeney.

Thank you for your continued support.

Life is an echo. What you send out, comes back.

What you sow, you reap.

What you give, you get.

What you see in others, exists in you.

**If, in our daily life, we can smile,
if we can be peaceful and happy,
not only we, but everyone, will profit from it.
This is the most basic kind of peace work.**

Bad things do happen; how I respond to them defines my character and the quality of my life.

I can choose to sit in perpetual sadness,

Immobilised by the gravity of my loss,

Or I can choose to rise from the pain and treasure the most precious gift I have – life itself.

Walter Anderson

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 31 st Jul	6pm	Seamus O'Brien, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering his brothers Peter & Billy & their parents, William & Mary O'Brien Mary & Michael Higgins, Laragh (Anniv) Michael Reilly, Dunboyne Road (Birthday Remembrance)	
Sun, 1 st Aug	9am	Gerard & Jennie Sheehan (Anniv) Martin & Tess Greaney (Anniv)	
	10.30am	Thomas & Elizabeth Manning (Anniv) & remembering their grandson Paul	
	12 noon	Christopher Halligan (6 th Anniv) & remembering Carmel & all deceased Halligan family members, Offaly Delia Hurpaus (Anniv)	
Mon, 2 nd Aug	10am	Shared Mass for the Living	<i>NO Adoration</i>
Tue, 3 rd Aug	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased	
Wed, 4 th Aug	10am	James Lynch (25 th Anniv) & remembering his wife Esther	
Thu, 5 th Aug	10am	Thanksgiving Mass	
Fri, 6 th Aug	10am		
Sat, 7 th Aug	6pm		
Sun, 8 th Aug	9am		
	10.30am		
	12 noon	Tommy Byrne, Highfield Park (2 nd Anniv) & remembering Larry, Rosie & Martin Cribbin & Bridie & Martin Connolly	

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 1 st Aug	10.30am	James & Marie McLoughlin, Hortland (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the McLoughlin & O'Brien families	
Wed, 4 th Aug	11-12 noon	Eucharistic Adoration	
Sun, 8 th Aug	10.30am		

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund: 25th July 2021: €1,456.00; Offertory Collection: €950.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. **Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund:** A/C 4475 – Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!