KILCOCK AND NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

Fourth Sunday of Advent 19th December 2021

BLESSING

Father, fill our hearts with love through the coming of your son.

Give us the grace to overcome our fears and anxieties, and keep us joyful in your service.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN

PARISH DIARY

Adoration on Mon 20th Dec. from 10.30am-11.30am & will resume on Thurs, 6th Jan 2022.

Penitential Service & General Absolution will be held in St. Coca's Church on Tues, 21st Dec. at 7.30pm. (There will be no private confessions due to COVID).

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Lotto – there will be <u>NO</u> Lotto on Tues, 28th Dec. or Tues, 4th Jan. 2022. Lotto will resume on Tues, 11th Jan. 2022.

Readers for this weekend – Sat 6pm – Helen Noonan; Sun 9am – Margaret Macken & 12 noon – Derek McSweeney.

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

IN MEMORIAM

We remember in our prayers Derek Horan (RIP), Greenfield, Maynooth & O'Keeffe's, who was buried in Laraghbryan on Saturday. We also pray for John Dunne (RIP), Clonfert, who died during the week. May they rest in peace.

For somehow, not only at Christmas, but all the long year through, the joy you give to others, is the joy that comes back to you.

Tough times never last, but tough people do!

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or facing difficulties relating to COVID-19. If you, or someone you know, needs support this Christmas, please call our National Support & Referral Line on 0818 222024 from 8am-8pm, seven days a week. ALONE operates 365 days a year so we will be there to take your call when you need us most.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

In a few days we celebrate the birthday of Christ. Christ comes most readily to those who realise their need of him. Let us draw near to him now, bring with us our spiritual poverty, wounds and sins.

Lord Jesus, you rouse up your might and come to our help. Lord, have mercy.

You let your face shine on us so that we might be saved. Christ, have mercy.

You bring us back, never to forsake you again. Lord, have mercy.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2021

Christmas Eve – Friday, 24th Dec.

3pm	Children's Mass	St. Coca's
5pm	Children's Mass	St. Coca's
7pm	Vigil Mass	Newtown
9pm	Vigil Mass	St. Coca's

Christmas Day – Saturday, 25th Dec.

9am St. Coca's 10.30am Newtown 12 noon St. Coca's

St. Stephen's Day – Sunday, 26th Dec.

9am St. Coca's 10.30am Newtown 12 noon St. Coca's

Mass will be at 12 noon on 27th, 28th, 28th, 30th & 31st Dec.

Parish Office will be closed from Fri, 24th Dec. till Thurs, 6th Jan, 2022.

Lord, as we celebrate your birth among us may our hearts be filled with the joy of your presence.

May our families be blessed from the abundance of your goodness.

May our world be filled with the wonder of your peace.

May we rejoice and be glad that you are not far from any one of us this Christmas. AMEN

Parish Office: 01 6287 406 <u>info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie</u> Parish Shop: 01 6287 499 Mon – Fri: 10.30am – 12.30pm

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 14th Dec 2021

Lotto Nos. 6 - 13 - 29 - 30

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €17,200

(5x€50) Winners: Christopher Timmons, Linda & Peter Murray, Jim O'Brien, Tommy Grogan & James Grogan.

(3x€50) Promoters: Darina Brien, Gary White, Mulligans.

(3 Additional prizes added for Christmas)

Thank you for your continued support.

Yearly/half-yearly lotto tickets make ideal gifts for any occasion.

KILCOCK GAA – Sun, 12th Dec 2021

Lotto Nos. 2 - 12 - 21 - 29

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €20,000

(5x€25) Winners: Marjorie Hughes, KM Sheds, Liam Doyle, Cian Flanagan, Michael Stokes, John Scanlon, Mary Brennan, AnnMarie Rogers, Claire Shaw, Declan Keane, Brian Connaughton, Sally O'Neill, Karen O'Toole, Lisa O'Brien, John Ryan.

Promoters Prizes: Martin Kiely, GAA Bar Staff.

Thank you for your continued support.

CAPPAGH LOTTO - Tue, 14th Dec 2021

Lotto Nos. 14 -21 – 26

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €3,900

(5x€20) Winners: Evan Farrell, Sarah Nealon, Imelda Regan, Brigid McSweeney & Tony Mullally.

Vouchers: Ciara Leonard & Liam McDonald.

Thank you for your continued support.

Donations for flowers for Christmas will be greatly appreciated. Please leave donations in Parish shop. Many thanks and a very happy Christmas to you all.

Strong & Steady (fun, fitness & fall prevention classes) for older adults – new term starting on Wed, 12th Jan. - 11.30am and 12.30pm. Only a few spaces available. Small groups. Booking essential. Call Fionnuala on 087 2848409.

On behalf of Newtown/Donadea Senior Citizens, I want to thank all who helped re-decorate and restore Newtown Hall; to Acceptable Standards to re-open; to Fr. John & Timmy Durkan MCC. for their help; to Kildare County Council for grants received to fund the work; to HSE Group for advice and guidance on procedures required to re-commence meetings, even at reduced numbers; to Newtown Community Group for the kitchen appliances and for the amazing work done outside the hall. Thank you also to O'Neill's, Johnstownbridge for their continued support; to two families in Newtown and three families in Donadea, who have given financial backing down through the years, without which we could not continue to provide this service to the Community. Lastly, but not least, to the members who attend each week - without you there would be no point opening on Thursdays! Wishing everyone a very happy & healthy Christmas, please God next year will be better.

Marian Byrne

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 18th Dec 6pm Eileen O'Connor, Courtown Rd (Anniv); remembering her husband Paddy & daughters Una & Geraldine Sun, 19th Dec 9am John McCabe (Anniv) & remembering his son Nicholas & all deceased members of the McCabe family

Kitty Moore (50th Anniv)

Christy Fitzpatrick (Anniv) & remembering his wife Angie, son John and all deceased family members

Hannah & Jeffrey Prendergast (Anniv)

John & Bob Wrenn (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

12 noon Pat Scully, Courtown Park (M.M.)

John, Noreen & Andrew Curtin (Anniv)

Annie & James Earls (Anniv)

Noel, Annie & John Moran, The Fairgreen (Anniv)

Mon, 20th Dec 10am Shared Mass for the Living Adoration – after Mass to 11.30am

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Jimmy Lynch (Anniv)

Donna Reilly & Baby John (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of Brady family

Thu, 23rd Dec 10am Patrick Reilly (Anniv) & all deceased family members

Fri, 24th Dec 10am

3pm Children's Mass 5pm Children's Mass 9pm Christmas Vigil Mass

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 19th Dec 10.30am John & Mary Walsh, Ovidstown (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Walsh &

Keating families

Fri, 24th Dec 7pm Christmas Vigil Mass