

KILCOCK AND NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

Third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday

12th December 2021

BLESSING

Father your Son's first coming showed your love for the world, his coming today is our joy, and his final coming is our source of hope. Sustain us, we pray, on our journey for we make our prayer as disciples of Jesus Christ, your son our Lord. AMEN

PARISH DIARY

Adoration on Mon, 13th Dec. from 2pm-6pm concluding with Benediction. Holy Hour on Thurs, 16th Dec. from 6pm-7pm.

Parish Shop will open on Sat. 18th Dec. from 10.30am – 12.30pm.

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 **NO** Lotto on Tues, 28th Dec. or 4th Jan. 2022. Lotto will resume on Tues, 11th Jan. 2022.

Readers for this weekend – Sat 6pm – Marie Behan; Sun 9am – Robert Wilson & 12 noon – Fiona Loxley.

Eucharistic Ministers for this weekend – Sat 6pm – Joe McFadden & Michael Minogue; Sun 9am – Margart Macken & Dermot Sheehan & 12 noon – Mary Forde & Patricia Mitchell.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES 2021

Christmas Eve – Friday, 24th Dec.

3pm	Childrens Mass	St. Coca's
5pm	Childrens 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.

IN MEMORIAM

We remember in our prayers Carmel Mooney (RIP), The Maws & Kathleen Lavelle (RIP), Clarkestown, both of whom were buried during the week. We also pray for Ivan Acton (RIP), Boycetown who has died and whose funeral takes place in St. Coca's Church on Mon, 13th Dec. May they rest in peace.

Thousands of candles can be lighted by a single candle,

and the life of the candle will not be shortened.

Happiness never decreases by being shared.

GIVE A LITTLE, IT HELPS A LOT!

This year we will work in conjunction with St. Bridget's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Kilcock to help our local community – instead of our "Giving Tree", we are asking for vouchers for local shops to give to local families in need. If you can donate, please drop the vouchers into the Parish Office or the post box outside the office. Thank you for your continuing support.

SINCERE THANKS FROM FR. JOHN

"I would like to say thank you to you all for your kind messages, cards, prayers and generosity when I was on the move recently. I really appreciate it all and it has helped in many ways. I hope and trust that this is an acceptable way to express my gratitude. May you share in the blessings of this season as we journey on our pilgrim way."

Gratitude,
John B.

It is often in the darkest skies that we see the brightest stars.

LIGHTEN THE LOAD

To gladden the heart of a human being,
to feed the hungry,
to help the afflicted,
to lighten the sorrow of the sorrowful,
to remove the wrongs of the injured,
that person is the most beloved of God,
who does most good to God's creatures.

Fr. George
01 6287 448

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PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 7th Dec 2021

Lotto Nos. 14 – 18 – 23 – 26

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €17,100

(5x€50) Winners: Elaine Mahon, Fiona Donnelly, Aileen Daly, Fiona Toohey & The Byrne Family.

(3x€50) Promoters: Brendan Leonard, L’Horizon & Anne Devine.

(3 Additional prizes added for Christmas)

Thank you for your continued support.

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

CAPPAGH LOTTO – Tue, 7th Dec 2021

Lotto Nos. 3 – 13 – 14

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €3,800

(5x€20) Winners: Moira Dooley, EmmaJane O’Shea, Grogan Family, Christy O’Neill & Gwen Grogan.

Vouchers: Peter Murray & Anthony Mallon.

Thank you for your continued support.

God’s admiration for us is infinitely greater than anything we can conjure up for him.

Start by doing what’s necessary; then do what’s possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible

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. Professional staff are available to answer queries, give advice and reassurance, where necessary. Support line is open 7 days a week, 8am-8pm. Call 0818 222 024.

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.

“Open Door” look forward to seeing you on Friday mornings 10am-1pm. An enjoyable few hours are promised and, of course, tea will be served. See you there!

The Kilcock Conference of St. Vincent de Paul will hold their annual Church gate collection at all masses this weekend, We ask all mass-goers to respond generously, as always, so that we can continue to support families that may need a little help this Christmas.

Kilcock ICA want to wish everyone in the Community a very happy, peaceful and safe Christmas & New Year.

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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca’s, Kilcock

Sat, 11 th Dec	6pm	Anne Cleary, The Bridge (M.M.) & remembering all deceased family members Jimmy Devaney, Killeighter (M.M.) Kevin “Dickie” Byrne, Kilglyn (3 rd Anniv) Mena Curran, Courtown Little (4 th Anniv) Pat McDonnell, Courtown Road (7 th Anniv) & remembering his wife Betty Kathleen Farrell (Anniv) & remembering all members of the Flynn & Farrell families	
Sun, 12 th Dec	9am		
	12 noon	Tommy “Bruce” Byrne, Kilglyn (4 th Anniv) Michael & Mamie Murphy, Branganstown (Anniv)	
Mon, 13 th Dec	10am	Shared Mass for the Living	<i>Adoration – 2pm – 6pm</i>
Tue, 14 th Dec	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased	
Wed, 15 th Dec	10am	John Doyle & remembering his wife Nancy (Anniv) Tom Bonnie, Courtown Road (Anniv) Anne Cleary, The Bridge (Requested by Choir)	
Thu, 16 th Dec	10am		
Fri, 17 th Dec	10am		
Sat, 18 th Dec	6pm	Eileen O’Connor, Courtown Rd (Anniv); remembering her husband Paddy & daughters Una & Geraldine	
Sun, 19 th Dec	9am	John McCabe (Anniv) & remembering his son Nicholas & all deceased family members Kitty Moore (50 th Anniv)	
	12 noon	John, Noreen & Andrew Curtin (Anniv)	

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 12 th Dec	10.30am	Paddy Sheridan (1 st Anniv)	
Wed, 15 th Dec	11-12am	Eucharistic Adoration	
Sun, 19 th Dec	10.30am	John & Mary Walsh, Ovidstown (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Walsh & Keating families	