

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 30th OCTOBER 2022

PARISH DIARY

Remember, clocks fall back one hour this weekend!
Happy & safe Halloween to all – we hope you all have a restful mid-term break!

Monday, 31st October is a bank holiday and Mass will be at **12 noon**. There will be **NO** Adoration afterwards. Confirmation Day for 2023 is Sat, 23rd May; 10am, 12 noon & 2pm.

Communion Dates for 2023 are Sun, 7th May, 14th May and 21st May.

Readers for this weekend – Sat 6pm – Helen Noonan, Sun 9am – Margaret Macken & 12 noon – John Cullen.

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

IN MEMORIAM

We remember in our prayers Annie Hynes (RIP), Station Road, who was buried in St. Joseph's on Tuesday last and Sr. Paula O'Dwyer (RIP), Shalom, whose funeral took place in Portlaoise. We also remember Bernard Tallon (RIP), Courtown Park, whose funeral took place to Laraghbryan on Friday. May they rest in peace.

FIRST COMMUNION/CONFIRMATION

Thank you to all parents who attended our meeting on Tuesday night last.

Enrolment for Confirmation is 12th/13th November – St. Coca's Church at 6pm for all Kilcock Schools on Sat, 12th Nov. and Church of the Nativity of our Lady on Sun, 13th Nov. at 10.30am for Newtown & Tiermoghgan.

First Holy Communion Enrolment takes place on the weekend of 19th/20th Nov. - St. Coca's Church at 6pm for all Kilcock Schools on Sat. 19th Nov. and the Church of the Nativity of our Lady on Sun, 20th Nov. at 10.30am for Newtown & Tiermoghgan.

HOLY LAND PARISH TRIP 2023

Fr. Paul O'Boyle will be leading a Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from Apr. 19th - 26th 2023. All inclusive cost is €1,665 per person. For brochures and more information, contact Marian Pilgrimages, Dublin on 01 – 8788159.

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In the gospel of today's Mass we see the Lord's compassion towards a sinner – the tax collector Zacchaeus. The Lord extends his compassion to us too, as we now call to mind our sins.

Lord Jesus, you are kind and full of compassion.

Lord, have mercy.

You are slow to anger and abounding in love.

Christ, have mercy.

You support all who fall, and raise all who are bowed down.

Lord, have mercy.

It is only with the heart that we can repent rightly.

Repentance must involve a change of heart.

Anything less won't produce a new being.

It will be like decapitating weeds

while leaving their roots intact.

But if we change our hearts,

then we will change our lives too.

After his encounter with Jesus, Zacchaeus' heart burst into life like a desert landscape after a rainfall.

Fear can't produce a conversion of heart, only an encounter with love can.

Zacchaeus' conversion was a conversion to goodness.

All of us stand in daily need of such a conversion.

We need to move from a closed heart to an open heart, from a heart of stone to a heart of flesh.

May the lilt of Irish laughter lighten every load,

May the mist of Irish magic shorten every road,

*May you taste the sweetest pleasures that fortune ere bestowed,
And may all your friends remember all the favours you are owed.*

IN NOVEMBER, WE REMEMBER

Please take away, fill out and return November List of the Dead with your donation to the Parish Office after 10am Mass, to the Sacristy or use the collection bags at all weekend Masses. All names on our Parish List of the Dead will be remembered at all Masses in November. Lists and envelopes are available at the back of both Churches.

Blessing of the Graves

Sun, 6 th Nov.	Newtown	after 10.30am mass
	St. Joseph's, Kilcock	2pm
	Cloncurry	3pm

A collection will be taken up at all of these blessings and all monies will go towards the upkeep and maintenance of our cemeteries.

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 25th Oct. 2022

Lotto Nos. 5 – 13 – 18 – 28

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €18,000

(3x€50) Winners: MP Club, Fiona Donnelly, Dymphna Gorry.

(2x€50) Promoters: Helen Noonan & Anne Devine.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

CAPPAGH LOTTO – Tue, 25th Oct. 2022

Lotto Nos. 8 – 20 – 32

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €8,300

(5x€20) Winners: Eva Sheridan, Frank Carter, Matt Keoghan, KM Sheds, Paul Wynne.

Thank you for your continued support.

GAA LOTTO – Sun, 23rd Oct. 2022

Lotto Nos. 6 – 9 – 27 – 30

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €20,000

(5x€25) Winners: Ann Gannon, Eva Sheridan, Gemma Dempsey, James Greville, Sean Morrissey.

Promoters: Eva Sheridan & Mick Rogers.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Cloncad Ltd Apprentice Electrician Development Programme is currently looking for suitable candidates for their next phase of inductions. This is a unique 4-year programme combining on-the-job and off-the-job training to complete 7 SOLAS phases. Apprentices must be at least 16 years of age. If interested in joining or for information please contact info@cloncad.ie.

Family Carers Ireland are holding a “**Second Chance Debs**” in the Hamlet Court Hotel, Johnstownbridge on the 11th November – for the “BIG” kids. Tickets are available through Eventbrite and include a 3-course dinner and live band. For more info. on these events, go to kildarecarersupports@familycarers.ie or ring 045 250084.

Lady wanted to do light housework and prepare lunch for elderly lady. Must have own car. Ph. 01 6287513.

Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live-in carers for the elderly in this area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom on 087-9916791/087-7440729 or visit www.alhomecare.ie.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 29 th Oct	6pm	May Doyle, Courtown Road (10 th Anniv) Eithne O'Connor, Courtown Road (Anniv) Peter & Brid O'Brien, Ovidstown (Anniv) Patrick, Bridget & Richard Butler, Grange (Anniv) John-Joe Fitzhenry (Anniv)
Sun, 30 th Oct	9am	
	12 noon	Jack Acton, Courtown Road (2 nd Anniv) Cecelia & Mike Clancy (Anniv) & remembering their son Terence
Mon, 31 st Oct	12 noon	Shared Mass for the Living
Tue, 1 st Nov	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 2 nd Nov	10am	Jim Lynch (1 st Anniv) & remembering his father, James Nancy & John Doyle (Anniv)
Thu, 3 rd Nov	10am	Parish List of the Dead
Fri, 4 th Nov	10am	Parish List of the Dead
Sat, 5 th Nov	6pm	Parish List of the Dead
Sun, 6 th Nov	9am	Parish List of the Dead
	12 noon	Patrick Lavelle, late of Lucan (2 nd Anniv) Kevin Anderson, Cloncurry (Anniv)

NO Adoration

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 30 th Oct	10.30am	Tom Halligan (13 th Anniv) & remembering his brother Peter, Ciss & Bob Needham, Alice & Bill Garry, Debbie Cox & Baby Tom Fahey
Sun, 6 th Nov	10.30am	Tommy McKeogh (7 th Anniv) & remembering his mother Brigid & his uncle Ned Eva McLoughlin (Anniv) Lucy & Bartle Maxwell (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund: 22nd/23rd Oct. 2022: €1,525.00; Offertory Collection: €615.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund: A/C 4475; Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!