KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

5th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - 5th FEBRUARY 2023

PARISH DIARY

St. Brigid Crosses will be available at all masses in Kilcock & Newtown this weekend, 4th/5th Feb. – all money raised will go towards the "**Grá for Grainne**" fundraiser in Newtown.

Thank you to the children, parents and teachers from all our schools who presented for the Ceremony of Light on Tue & Wed evening last. Well done to all.

Mass on Bank Holiday Monday, 6th Feb., will be at 12 noon and <u>NOT</u> 10am. There will be <u>NO</u> Adoration.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm — Philomena Obasi, Sun 9am — Ray Manning & 12 noon — Paul Norris.

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

IN MEMORIAM

We remember in our prayers Michael Walsh (RIP), Ballyvoneen, who died on Saturday, 4th Feb., funeral arrangements later. We also ask prayers for Ethna Doyle nee Grogan (RIP), Belgard, Kilcock/Cavan, who died during the week. May they rest in peace.

A SMILE

It costs nothing, but creates much.

It enriches those who receive, without impoverishing those who give.

It happens in a flash and the memory of it can sometimes last forever.

None are so rich they can get along without it and none so poor but are richer for its benefits.

It creates happiness in the home, fosters goodwill in a business, and is the countersign of friends.

It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and nature's best antidote for trouble.

Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is no earthly good to anyone till it is given away. And, if in the hurly-burly bustle of today's business world, some of the people you meet should be too tired to give you a smile, may we ask you to leave one of yours?

For nobody needs a smile so much as those who have none left to give.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

As disciples of Jesus we are called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world. Unfortunately, we all the salt to lose its taste and the light to grow dim. Let us ask the Lord to pardon our failings and help to be better witnesses for him in the future.

Lord Jesus, you strengthen us when we are weak.

Lord, have mercy.

You forgive us when we fail.

Christ, have mercy.

You give us courage when we are afraid.

Lord, have mercy.

Each of us has a capacity for goodness.

We have hands that can care,
eyes that can see,
ears that can hear;
tongues that can speak,
feet that can walk,
and, above all, hearts that can love.

Lord, help us to believe in our own goodness,
and to let the light of that goodness shine.
On seeing this light others find their way,
and you will be glorified.

GRÁ FOR GRAINNE

Grainne is in 6th class in Newtown National School. She loves being read stories, swimming, eating ice-cream and having a laugh with her family and friends. Grainne has a diagnosis of INAD and is now in a motorised wheelchair.

Grainne's friends in school are planning a sponsored walk in Cappagh on Mon, Feb. 6th at 1pm to raise funds for the INAD Foundation followed by a party in Newtown Hall at 2pm. We hope all the Community will join us to raise the much needed funds to research this condition.

NEW – MUSIC THERAPY

An experienced music therapist is offering individual music therapy sessions at the Little Way Cancer Support Centre in Clane. For more info. please contact 045 902996 or email clane@little-way.org.

"What is music therapy? Music therapy is an evidence-based therapy profession. It is the planned and intentional use of music-based methods to enable a person to achieve health and well-being goals. Some activites you can choose from include: Creating playlists, listening to music, talking about musical theories, song writing, singing, playing drums to relieve tension, exploring emotions and personal issues, and writing a song for a loved one."

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

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 31st Jan, 2023

Lotto Nos. 6 - 12 - 24 - 25

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €18,000

(3x€50) Winners: Paul Wynne, Veronica O'Reilly & Tommy Grogan.

(2x€50) Promoters: Roma Walsh & Mary Murray.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

CAPPAGH LOTTO – Tue, 31st Jan, 2023

Lotto Nos. 7 - 17 - 22

2 Winners: Aileen Daly & David Lynch

Next Jackpot: €600

(5x€20) Winners: Caroline Forde, Patricia Forde, Michelle Smith, Liz Byrne & Kathleen Loughlin.

Thank you for your continued support.

GAA LOTTO - Sun, 29th Jan, 2023

Lotto Nos. 6 - 8 - 19 - 30

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €11,200

(5x€25) Winners: Linua Ryan, Maeve Mulhall, Jonathan Ray, Kate Doolan & Patti Harrison.

Promoters: Sean Montague & Eva Sheridan.

Thank you for your continued support.

Special Kildare pilgrimage to Fatima on 9th-14th June 2023 ex Dublin for Feast of St. Anthony, Patron Saint of Portugal. Contact James Treacy, 061 921470.

You are invited to a screening of the film "The Letter, A message for our Earth" in Clane Parish Church on Thu, 9th Feb. at 7.30pm followed by a conversation with Dr. Ciara Murphy & Dr. Kevin Hargaden, authors of "Parish as Oasis: An introduction to Practical Environmental Care." All are welcome.

We may not have it all together, but together we can have it all!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 4th Feb 6pm Desmond Cleary, The Bridge (M.M.)

Sun, 5th Feb 9am

12 noon Chandapillai P. Sam (1st Anniv)

Fr. PJ Byrne P.P. (7th Anniv)

Patrick & Una Melia (Anniv) & remembering their daughter Mary and daughter-in-law Kathleen (Anniv) Anne & Patrick Brennan (Anniv) & remembering their sons Paddy, Andy & Kieran & all deceased

members of the Brennan & Wallace families

Brid Melia (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Melia & Nestor families

Mon, 6th Feb 12 noon Shared Mass for the Living NO Adoration

Tue, 7th Feb 10am Shared Mass for the Deceased Wed, 8th Feb 10am Patrick Reilly, Ballycahan (Anniv)

Thu, 9th Feb 10am Christopher, Catherine & Michael Greville (Anniv)

Fri, 10th Feb 10am

Sat, 11th Feb 6pm Maura Langan, Harris Hill (M.M.)

Mick Nevin (Birthday Remembrance)

Sun, 12^h Feb 9am

12 noon Christy Nolan, Hortland (1st Anniv)

Hannah Walsh, Gragadder (13th Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

Bernie Flattery, Courtown Park (Anniv)

Carmel Halligan (Anniv) & remembering her husband Christy & their grandchildren

James Cross (Anniv) & remembering his grandson Kieran & brother Pat

Conor Preston (Anniv)

Betty Lynam (34th Anniv) & remembering her grandchildren Ashling & Sean & Great Grandmother Mary O'Toole; also remembering Seamus O'Toole, John Curran, Bertie Mallon, Peggy Lynam, Johnny Pearse

(22nd Anniv) & deceased members of the Maguire family

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 5th Feb 10.30am Mark O'Brien (15th Anniv)

James Lynam (Anniv) & remembering his wife Julia & their daughter Peggy

Sun, 12th Feb 10.30am