

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

7th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – 19th FEBRUARY 2023

PARISH DIARY

Wednesday next, 22nd Feb., is *Ash Wednesday*. Mass in St. Coca's at 10am and in Church of the Nativity, Newtown at 11am.

Meeting for Parents of Confirmation children on Thurs, 23rd Feb. at 7pm in St. Coca's.

Next weekend, we welcome the Do This In Memory children to our 6pm Mass in St. Coca's (*Scoil Choca Naofa*) and to our 10.30am in Newtown (*Tiermoghán*).

Next weekend, 25th/26th Feb., the *Lenten Collection* for Priests of the Parish will be taken up at all masses. Please use envelope provided in your Development Box or take white envelope from back of the Church.

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

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

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend 25th/26th Feb - 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 Nuala Duignan (RIP), Suncroft, sister of Fintan Boyd & Elizabeth Farrington who died recently. We also remember Patricia Kelly (RIP), nee Holton, Chapelizod & Parke House, who was buried during the week. May they rest in peace.

I am a work in progress.

I'm strong because I have been weak.

I'm brave because I have been afraid.

I'm smart because I have been stupid.

I'm wise because I have been foolish.

I'm healing because I have been hurt.

I'm old because I have been young.

**The more we count the blessings we have,
the less we crave the luxuries we do not have.**

Forgiveness is a funny thing.

It warms the heart and cools the sting.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Jesus tells us that God loves all of his children, deserving and underserving. And he urges us to imitate this all-embracing love of God. Let us reflect on how difficult love can be, especially in relation to people we don't like. Jesus gives us an example of love.

Lord Jesus, you are kind and full of compassion.

Lord, have mercy.

You are slow in anger and rich in mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

You do not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults.

Lord, have mercy.

When Abraham Lincoln was running for President of the United States there was a man called Stanton, who never lost an opportunity to vilify him. Yet when Lincoln won the election he surprised everyone by giving Stanton a post in his cabinet. Asked why he didn't destroy his enemy, Lincoln replied, "Do I not destroy my enemy when I make him my friend?"

May you resist evil and conquer it with good.

May you choose love and forgiveness over hatred and vengeance.

*May you be filled with a joyful trust in God,
and never tire of doing what is right.*

TURKEY/SYRIA APPEAL

Bishop Denis has asked that we do a collection this weekend for Turkey & Syria so the 2nd collection will be taken up for same. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. You can also drop a donation for this into the Parish office, Mon-Fri, 10am-12.30pm this week, mark the envelope Turkey/Syria Appeal.

All monies collected will go to Trocaire working with their partners, Caritas Syria & Caritas Turkey, to help and support those affected by the terrible and devastating recent earthquake.

MEN'S LENTEN PROGRAMME

A Lenten programme for men has been developed by an Irish priest to help men make this Lent different. The program contains 4 pillars – Prayer, Penance, Spiritual Reading and Charity.

To find out more and join an online group, a Zoom information meeting is scheduled for Sun, 19th Feb. at 8.30pm. Meeting ID: 494 625 9738; Password is 997296. Email desertfathers40@gmail.com for a copy of the program.

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 14th Feb. 2023

Lotto Nos. 6 – 10 – 14 – 31

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €18,000

(3x€50) Winners: Frances Ryan, Margaret Condron & Conor Hickey.

(2x€50) Promoters: Betty Walsh & Dympna Gorry.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

Some people care too much! I think it's called love.

CAPPAGH LOTTO – Tue, 14th Feb. 2023

Lotto Nos. 22 – 28 – 32

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €900

(5x€20) Winners: Ena O’Hora, Ciara Leonard, Nora Gibbons, Eamon Nester & Claire Houlihan.

Thank you for your continued support.

GAA LOTTO – Sun, 12th Feb. 2023

Lotto Nos. 9 – 18 – 19 – 21

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €11,400

(5x€25) Winners: Teresa Bourke, Donal Bryan, Danny Byrne, Eamonn Costello & Donna & Angela

Promoters: L’Horizon & Mick McGinley

Thank you for your continued support.

The Season of Lent – why the need for self-mortification?

There will be a discussion on the above subject, and the meaning of Jesus’ 40-day retreat in the desert, in the GAA club on Wed, 22nd Feb. at 8pm. All welcome.

The Zimbabwean Catholics in Ireland will celebrate Mass on Sat, 25th Feb., at 1pm in the Church of Our Lady & St. Joseph, Prosperous. The Mass will be celebrated in Shona – one of Zimbabwe’s languages. The Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Kolwani, who also celebrates his 10th Anniversary to the Priesthood on the day. All are welcome.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca’s, Kilcock

Sat, 18 th Feb	6pm	Elizabeth Morrin, Belgard (M.M.) Mary McGearty, Connaught St. (M.M.) Aidan Byrne, Mill Lane (10 th Anniv) & remembering his dad Terry & all deceased family members Dolores McFadden (Anniv) Tim & Susan Hanrahan (Anniv) & remembering their sons Michael & Tom Henry Conlon (Anniv)	
Sun, 19 th Feb	9am	Sean Gill, Highfield Park (7 th Anniv)	
	12 noon	Carmel Lavelle (M.M.) & remembering her husband Padraig	
Mon, 20 th Feb	10am	Shared Mass for the Living	<i>Adoration after mass</i>
Tue, 21 st Feb	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased	
Wed, 22 nd Feb	10am		
Thu, 23 rd Feb	10am	William & Ellen Ralph (Anniv) & remembering their daughter Peggy (Recently Deceased)	
Fri, 24 th Feb	10am		
Sat, 25 th Feb	6pm	<i>Do This In Memory Mass – Scoil Choca Naofa</i> Aidan Byrne, The Square Bar/Lucan (1 st Anniv) Rosie O’Connor, Highfield Park (7 th Anniv) Maureen & Paddy Linnane, Ballybrack (Anniv) & remembering their sons Michael & Thomas & all deceased family members	
Sun, 26 th Feb	9am	Ryan Lynch (Anniv) John Fitzpatrick, formerly Bridge St. (Anniv) & remembering his parents, Angie & Christy Ollie & Bridget Ryan (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members	
	12 noon	Maurice Clancy (Anniv) Pauline Butler (Remembrance) Joseph, Helen, Anthony & John Sheridan (Anniv) & remembering Brid Laffan & all deceased members of the Sheridan & Westmon families	

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 19th Feb 10.30am

Sun, 26th Feb 10.30am ***Do This In Memory Mass – Tiermoghán***

Mary Crowe, Newtown House (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members