KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 30th APRIL 2023

PARISH DIARY

Our *Trocaire* collection to date is €2,810 – if you still have a Trocaire box you can return to the Parish Office Mon-Fri, 10.30am-1pm.

Today, 30th Apr. is *Vocation Sunday* – we pray for vocations and for all those who give generously of themselves to their vocations.

Monday next, 1st May is a bank holiday – mass will be at *12 Noon*. There will be <u>NO</u> Adoration.

Mass in Church of the Nativity of Our Lady, Newtown on Thurs. next, 4th May at 11am.

Adoration will be on Thurs. evening, 4th May from 7pm-8pm. All welcome.

Parish Income & Expenditure A/Cs are available on a white sheet at the back of the Church.

Our upcoming Communion dates are Sun, 7th May @ 12 noon for Scoil Choca Naofa, Sun, 14th @ 10.30am in Newtown for Newtown & Tirmoghan and @ 12 noon in Kilcock for St. Joseph's & Sun, 21st May @ 12 noon for Scoil Uí Riada.

Confirmation date is Sat, 13th May at 10am, 12 noon and 2pm.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Robert Wilson, Sun 9am – Margaret Macken; & 12 noon – Sr. Breda. 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 6th/7th May - 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 William "Billy" Fitzpatrick (RIP), Kilcock; Jim O'Brien (RIP), Hortland & Nora Hurley (RIP), mother of Grace Murray, Courtown Park, all of whom were buried during the week. May they rest in peace.

There are two basic motivating forces: fear and love. When we have fear, we pull back from life. When we love, we open ourselves to all that life has to offer with passion, excitement and acceptance. We need to learn to love ourselves first, in all our glory and our imperfections. If we cannot love ourselves, we cannot be fully open to our ability to love others. Evolution and all hopes for a better world rest in the fearlessness of people who embrace life.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

This Sunday is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. The Good Shepherd is, of course, Jesus. Let us pause for a moment to see how we respond to the love and care of the Good Shepherd.

Lord Jesus, you came so that we may have life and have it to the full.

Lord, have mercy.

You seek us out when we stray, and bring us back to the flock you nourish.

Christ, have mercy.

You are the shepherd and guardian of our souls.

Lord, have mercy.

Life is a gift from God,
a gift to be lived and enjoyed.
It is possible to enjoy life to the full
while being devout and religious at the same time.
Those who live fully will not feel cheated at death.
Lord, give us the kind of faith
that will enable us to live out joyfully
the mystery of our fragile human condition
which sees us suspended between earth and heaven,
and between time and eternity.

BLESSED JOHN SULLIVAN SJ

The annual birthday mass for Blessed John Sullivan SJ will be celebrated in Clongowes Wood College on Sun, 7th May at 3pm. Principal Celebrant and Homilist will be Bishop Denis Nulty. For further details, contact Cait Cullen on 087 3126241.

UPCOMING CEMETERY MASSES

Wed, 7th June St. Joseph's 7.30pm Thu, 8th June Cloncurry 7.30pm Fri, 9th June Newtown 7.30pm

CLARIFICATION - BANK DETAILS

As Ulster Bank is now closed, we have opened a new Parish account in Permanent TSB. The IBAN for same is IE81IPBS99064333061627; BIC is IPBSIE2D. If you have a direct debit set up for the Development Fund or wish to set up one, please use these new details. If you are paying a direct debit towards the Parish Centre project, there is no need for any action, account details have not changed, it is still with AIB, Maynooth. Many thanks to you all for your continued support.

 Fr. George
 Fr. Adriano
 Parish Office : 01 6287 406; info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie.

 01 6287 448
 01 6757 311
 Parish Shop : 01 6287 499 Mon – Fri : 10.30am – 12.30pm

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 25th Apr. 2023

Lotto Nos. 8 - 28 - 30 - 31

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €18,000

(3x€50) Winners: Jimmy Reid, Seamus Staunton & Carol

(2x€50) Promoters: Rosie's & Dympna Gorry.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

CAPPAGH LOTTO - Tue, 25th Apr. 2023

Lotto Nos. 19 - 20 - 24

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €1,800

(5x€20) Winners: Mary & Terry Healy, Ronan Mullally, John Grogan, Karen Grogan & Eva Sheridan.

Thank you for your continued support.

Blessed are the hearts that can bend, for they shall never be broken.

AFRICA DAY - 2023

You are invited to Africa Day Maynooth 2023 on Fri, 26th May from 3pm-8pm. Parade procession at 3pm from The Square on the Main street to the Old Maynooth Post Primary School Sports Hall on the Moyglare road. Post-parade event in MPPS Sports Hall from 5pm – 8pm. There will be a cultural display, food, music, dancing and fun guaranteed. Come one! Come all! For further info. contact 087 9394925; 087 1935510 or 089 4923902.

GAA LOTTO – Sun, 23rd Apr. 2023

Lotto Nos. 4 - 12 - 23 - 30

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €12,400

(5x€25) Winners: Peter Reilly, Theresa Dowling, Marie McGinley, Donna & Angela, Edel McGinley.

Promoters: Ailish Brady & Mark Gannon.

Thank you for your continued support.

Shamrock Car & Machinery Club Annual Show takes place in the grounds of Hamlet Court Hotel, Johnstownbridge, on Mon, 1st May (Bank Holiday), registration from 11am; free gift to all exhibitors. All proceeds go to local charities. Come along for a good day out – wide range of interests; threshing & bailing demonstration, dog show, BBQ, etc. ALL WELCOME.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 29th Apr Kathleen & John McSherry (Anniv) & remembering their daughter Dympna (Anniv) 6pm

> Kevin Simms, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members Jack Murray, Rodanstown (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

Mary Green, Courtown Road (Anniv)

Sun, 30th Apr Ann & Charlie Deegan (Anniv) 9am

> Edward & Barbara Griffith, Ballycannon (Anniv) & remembering their daughter-in-law Annie, their son 12 noon

Stephen & his wife Therese

Mon, 1st May 12 noon Shared Mass for the Living **NO Adoration**

Tue, 2nd May 10am Shared Mass for the Deceased

Wed, 3rd May 10am

Thu, 4th May 10am Fri, 5th May 10am

Sat, 6th May Martin McDonnell (M.M.) & remembering his brother Ciaran & his uncle Patrick 6pm

Jim Bourke (4th Anniv)

John & Eileen O'Neill, Highfield Park (Anniv)

Tom, Mary, Sean & Alan Fay, Courtown Road (Anniv)

Pat & Mary McFadden (Anniv)

Mary O'Keeffe, Highfield Park (Anniv)

Sun, 7th May John Sims, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering Lena Brady & Richard Hobbs (Anniv) 9am

> 12 noon First Holy Communion - Scoil Choca Naofa

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 30th Apr 10.30am Kitty Saultz (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Saultz family

Thu, 4th May 11am

Sun, 7th May 10.30am