

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN
17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 30th JULY 2023

PARISH DIARY

We welcome **Fr. Kolwani Nyoni** to assist us in Kilcock & Newtown Parish while continuing his studies in St. Patrick's College, Maynooth.

There will be **NO Adoration** for the month of August, will resume in September.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Michael Murphy; Sun 9am – Sr. Bríd & 12 noon – Philomena Obasi.

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

Eucharistic Ministers for next weekend (5th/6th Aug) - Sat 6pm Joe McFadden & Michael Minogue; Sun 9am – Margaret Macken & Dermot Sheehan & 12 noon – Claire Dunne & Mary Forde.

IN MEMORIAM

We ask prayers for Michael McHale (RIP), Gragadder who has died and whose funeral took place during the week. We also remember in our prayers Paul O'Neill (RIP), Johnstownbridge/Carbury, Larry McCormack (RIP), formerly The Square & Michael Hoey (RIP), Branganstown, all who died recently. May they rest in peace.

BEST WISHES

We want to wish Fr. Adriano the best of luck as he leaves us to take up your new position in Portlaoise as C.C. We thank you for your ministry, goodness and kindness to us here in Kilcock & Newtown Parish. We will miss you but we are assured that you will be happy in your new place!! Please don't be a stranger to us here, you're always welcome back for a cuppa and a chat! Boa Sorte!

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

Join young people between the ages of 16-35 this August at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival. The festival takes place in Clongowes Wood College, Clane, Co. Kildare from Thursday, 10th Aug to Sunday, 13th Aug 2023. The festival includes inspiring talks, music, prayer, concert, workshops, dramas, share groups, reconciliation and healing service and Mass. Donations only and we have buses going from all over Ireland. For more info. and to book your place, go to www.youth2000.ie.

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The theme of wisdom dominates today's liturgy. However, the wisdom in question is not worldly wisdom. It is divine wisdom. Through the gift of wisdom, God communicates to us the meaning of our life, and the grandeur of our destiny. Let us now call to mind our need of God's wisdom, and open ourselves to receive that wisdom.

Lord Jesus, you guide the humble in the right path.

Lord, have mercy.

You seek out and save the lost.

Christ, have mercy.

You are close to the broken-hearted.

Lord, have mercy.

Jesus compared the kingdom of Heaven to a net cast into the sea which catches all kinds of fish.

When it is full, the fisherman hauls it ashore, and sorts out the good fish from the worthless fish.

The good he keeps, the worthless he throws away.

In a sense, all of us are fishers.

Each day we cast our net into the sea of life.

And at the end of the day we have a catch, sometimes small, sometimes large.

May we take time to sift through that catch.

And may you, Lord, give us the wisdom to know what to keep and what to throw away.

On Fri, 4th Aug. Bishop Denis will celebrate the 10th anniversary of his ordination as Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin. People, Religious and Clergy, are invited to participate in the 7pm Mass on Sun, 6th Aug. in Carlow Cathedral to mark this occasion and acknowledge his dedicated service to the diocese.

STEPS FOR RÓISÍN

Róisín is a pupil in our parish in Newtown NS and plays football and camogie with Cappagh GAA.

Róisín has been accepted for SDR surgery in the US. Selective Dorsal Rhizotomy is a surgery done on the lower spinal cord to reduce spasticity (high muscle tone) in the legs which would obviously help Róisín massively. Thankfully, Róisín has been accepted for the surgery which hopefully will take place in January 2024 in St. Louis Children's hospital, Missouri. The surgery and ongoing therapy that Róisín will need before and after comes at a significant cost, therefore a Gofund me page has been set up to help raise the funds and reach the target.

Róisín's family would really appreciate your help with this amazing fundraiser. There is a big target but with all your help they will reach it please support on <https://gofund.me/3edec543>.

PARISH LOTTO – Tue, 25th JUL 2023

Lotto Nos. 7 – 12 – 25 – 29

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €18,000**

(3x€50) Winners: Noel Byrne, Anne Devine & Liam Duff Snr.

(2x€50) Promoters: Garry White & Packie Lynch.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

Take small steps in the direction you want to go!

Experienced Singer (Soprano) available – Liturgical Services, professional keyboard player/organist organised. Contact Bernadine Sheridan, 087 2021299/email bernadine1@live.ie.

Family Rosary – families of all ages are invited to The Square, Kilcock, each Saturday at 12 noon to pray the Rosary together. Organised by the Legion of Mary.

Irish professional man looking to share house with owner/occupier and retired owner. Willing to help with the general upkeep of house (i.e. painting, gardening). Genuine person – contact Andrew 086 3726579.

CAPPAGH LOTTO – Tue, 25th JUL 2023

Lotto Nos. 11 – 29 – 36

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €700**

(5x€20) Winners: Tina Piper, Aileen Daly, Grainne Noone, Sean & Tony, Niall Byrne.

Thank you for your continued support.

GAA LOTTO – Sun, 23rd JUL 2023

Lotto Nos. 7 – 10 – 16 – 23

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €13,700**

(5x€25) Winners: Fearghal Davey, Hazel Madden, Patrick O'Connor, KM Sheds, George Brennan.

Promoters: Ellen Cahalin & Bridget McSweeney.

Thank you for your continued support.

To be mature you have to realise what you value most. Not to arrive at a clear understanding of one's own values is a tragic waste. You have missed the whole point of what life is for.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 29 th Jul	6pm	Teresa Murphy, Laragh (M.M.) Billy Mooney (2 nd Anniv) Martin O'Brien (10 th Anniv) Seamus O'Brien, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering his brothers Peter & Billy & parents William & Mary Gerry Richardson, Highfield (Anniv) & remembering his son Eamonn & all deceased family members
Sun, 30 th Jul	9am	Michael Reilly (Birthday Remembrance) Philomena Ryan, Duncreevan (Anniv)
	12 noon	Eithne Wynne (Birthday Remembrance) Liam Fowler (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Fowler family Ashling & Sean Lynam (Birthday Remembrance) & remembering their grandmother Betty Lynam & their great-grandmother, Mary O'Toole
Mon, 31 st Jul	10am	Shared Mass for the Living
Tue, 1 st Aug	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 2 nd Aug	10am	Dilia Hurtado (12 th Anniv) Christopher Halligan, Bridie Halligan & Elsie Kane (Anniv) & remembering Carmel Halligan
Thu, 3 rd Aug	10am	
Fri, 4 th Aug	10am	
Sat, 5 th Aug	6pm	Tommy Byrne, Highfield Park (4 th Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Byrne & Cribben families
Sun, 6 th Aug	9am	Mary Norris, Highfield Park (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members
	12 noon	Audrey Dottin (2 nd Anniv) Ronnie Duff (22 nd Anniv) & remembering her husband Maurice & all deceased members of the McNeela & Duff families

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 30 th Jul	10.30am	John Walsh (Anniv) & remembering his wife Delia
Sun, 6 th Aug	10.30am	Eileen, Thomas & Mark Mulligan & Catherine, Patrick & Morgan Foley, Ovidstown (Anniv) Mary & James Kelly, late of Ballinakill (Anniv)