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KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN
3rd SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – 20th/21st JAN 2024

PARISH DIARY

We welcome the children, parents and leaders to our **“Do This in Memory”** masses this weekend as they prepare for their First Holy Communion.

Anyone interested in booking Newtown Parish Hall, please ring Nicola in Parish Office on 01 6287406, Mon-Fri. 9.30am-1pm.

Thursday next, 25th Jan is **National Grandparents Day**.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Philomena Obasi, Sun 9am – John Tighe & 12 noon – Derek McSweeney.

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

It is what it is, but it will become what you make it!!

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co. Mayo on 25th Feb. 2024, cost is €799 p.p.s. & includes 5 nights in the 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, B&B, Lunch/Snack on 2 days, and Afternoon Tea in Ashford Castle. All entertainment, excursions and transport included in the cost. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Cong. Single supplement available on request. All enquiries, please contact Patricia or Natali on 094 9006426 or 087 1890236 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS

Loving God,
bless all our grandparents,
those with us here today,
those who cannot be with us,
and those who have gone to be with you.
May they heed your call to share their wisdom and faith
with us.
May they have courage and confidence to hand on your
gifts of experience and knowledge of stories, songs and
memories.
We make this prayer through Christ, Our Lord. AMEN

Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting carers nationwide. Contact 087 9370221 and see how we can support you. For more info. visit www.familycarers.ie

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Jesus began his preaching with a call to repentance. We begin each Mass with a similar call. Let us call to mind our sins now, and ask for the grace to repent of them.

Jesus also announced the good news of God’s love and forgiveness.

Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the sinner.

Lord, have mercy.

You bind up hearts that are broken.

Christ, have mercy.

You seek out and save the lost.

Lord, have mercy.

I may be poor but no millionaire can be so happy as me if they haven’t got the love of God in their souls.

Think what it is – not to hate anything but evil;

to be full of love for every creature;

to be frightened of nothing;

to be sure that all things will turn to good;

to know that nothing can separate us from God who loves us, and who fills our souls with peace and joy.

This blessedness is offered to everyone;

it is the good news that Jesus came to preach to the poor.

Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that!

Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that!

SCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR 2024

Enrolment for Junior Infants for Sept. 2024 to Newtown National School is now open. Applications are now being accepted and will be accepted until 31st Jan. 2024. Enrolment forms are available on the school website: www.newtownns.com or alternatively by email from newtownnsoffice@gmail.com or by ringing 046 9541122 or 086 4034838.

Enrolment for Scoil Choca Naofa for Sept. 2024 is now open. Complete the Admissions Form online at www.scoilchoca.ie.

Enrolment for St. Joseph’s for Sept. 2024 will now open. Complete the Admissions Form online at www.stjosephskilcock.com.

FATIMA – CALL TO PEACE

Join us on Wednesday, 24th Jan. in the meeting room at the rear of St. Coca’s Church at 8pm for a discussion on **“Fatima – a call to peace through prayer”**. All welcome.

PARISH LOTTO – TUE, 16th JAN. 2024

Lotto Nos. 2 – 11 – 15 – 23

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €18,000**

(3x€50) Winners: Garry White, Liam Duff Jnr., Danny Mulligan.

(2x€50) Promoters: Bridget Pidgeon & John Montague.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

Part-time Cleaning/Caretaker position available in Scoil Dara. We are currently seeking applications from suitable candidates for the part-time role of Evening Cleaner/Caretaker. CVs and requests for more information may be sent to info@scoildara.ie before 22nd Jan 2024. Thank you.

Rosary for Peace in the Square every Sat. at 12 noon.

New Kid's Hip-Hop classes starting in Kilcock every Tues. beginning in Feb. Try your first class for free. Classes for 4-7yr olds from 4-5pm and for 7-13+yr olds from 5pm-6pm. Classes are in Kilcock Scouts Hall & cost €13 per class or €50 per month. Classes begin on Tue, 6th Feb.

Monster Bingo in Community Centre, Coill Dubh on Sun, 28th Jan. at 2pm. All proceeds go to the Parish. All welcome.

CAPPAGH LOTTO – TUE, 16th JAN. 2024

Lotto Nos. 3 – 19 – 28

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €3,000**

(5x€20) Winners: Joe Kenna, Michelle Smith, Paula Mulligan, Aileen Daly, Michelle Convey.

Thank you for your continued support.

GAA LOTTO – SUN, 14th JAN. 2024

Lotto Nos. 10 – 16 – 20 – 24

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €16,200**

(5x€25) Winners: Stephen Byrne, Sinead Ryan, Kevin Sheeran, Sean & Hollie Rogers, George Brennan.

Promoters: Liam Duff & Mickey Rogers.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have you a spare moment to fill out a Community Needs analysis for North Kildare Sports Club – please answer the survey on the following link – <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/89SGHNT>.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 20 th Jan	6pm	Do This in Memory – St. Joseph's Bath Hickey, Cashel (M.M.) Rita Kilduff (4 th Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members Maura Gibbons, Laragh (20 th Anniv) & remembering her son Freddie	
Sun, 21 st Jan	9am	Tom & Ann Lynch (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members	
	12 noon	Carmel Lavelle (1 st Anniv) & remembering her husband Patrick	
Mon, 22 nd Jan	10am	Shared Mass for the Living	<u>ADORATION 10.30am-11.30am</u>
Tue, 23 rd Jan	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased	
Wed, 24 th Jan	10am	Martin & Mary Tuohy, Gregadder (Anniv)	
Thu, 25 th Jan	10am		
	7pm-8pm	Adoration	
Fri, 26 th Jan	10am	Denis Mulhall (Anniv) & remembering his wife Kathleen, brother Paddy & all deceased family members	
Sat, 27 th Jan	6pm	Do This in Memory – Scoil Ui Riada Eileen "Nellie" Bailey (M.M.) Michael Duggan (M.M.) Joe Langtry, Courtown Road (Anniv) Sean Richardson, formerly Crosskeys (Recently Deceased in UK)	
Sun, 28 th Jan	9am	John Ryan, Duncreevan (Anniv) & remembering Eithne O'Brien, Pitchfordstown	
	12 noon	Albert Stone, Kilglynn (2 nd Anniv) Thomas Walsh, Cloncurry (Anniv) & remembering his parents & deceased family members & friends PJ Nolan, Belgard (Anniv)	

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 21 st Jan	10.30am	Do This in Memory - Newtown John Mannion (Anniv) Isobel Duncan (Anniv) Joe & Bridget Harris (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members John & Angela Convey (Anniv) & remembering Angela Jnr. & Nell Marshfield nee Convey (recently deceased in the UK) & all deceased members of the Convey family	
Wed, 24 th Jan	11am	Adoration	
Sun, 28 th Jan	10.30am	Anna Pettit (6 th Anniv) Mark O'Brien, Corcoranstown (Anniv) John & Delia O'Malley (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the O'Malley & McDonagh families	