### KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> FEB 2024



**Congratulations** to all our Confirmation candidates on taking their pledges this week. Well done.

Anyone who picked up forms for donating to our new Parish Centre last weekend, please return same to Parish Office, Mon-Fri. 10am-1pm. Thank you!

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

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 Jim Ward (RIP), formerly of Ballycannon & Leitrim, who died in London recently. We also ask prayers for Kieran Cavanagh (RIP), Ballsbridge & Easkey; brother of Carmel Smith, Courtown Park, who died recently. May they rest in peace.

### WE NEED HELP: URGENT CALL

Kilcock is a growing and diverse town. In view of this growth and change, we intend to build a Parish Centre within the grounds of the church. Kildare County Council has granted planning permission. The proposed Parish Centre comprises a single storey building of 315 square meters located to the south side of the church and comprising of a large meeting hall, office and meeting rooms and coffee dock. Further to this landscape to the front of the site continues out to Scoil Choca Naofa encouraging interaction amongst a closed off space. The first part of the project is to donate church land to allow the provision of a pathway to the school to ensure that children going to Scoil Choca Naofa do not walk on the road. We also intend to widen the narrow and dangerous curve for the safety of the public and the other road users. We are currently reaching out to the Diaspora and local community to take part in this endeavour to ensure this facility is available to all for many generations. To make this project happen we look forward your valuable support and generous contribution of Monthly €25, Quarterly €75, Annually €300 and Five years €1,500 (one go). Any other form of support also much appreciated. At the moment we have managed to raise €330,000. Thanks to many who have generously contributed. Looking forward for your generous support in this united endeavour.

#### SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

On the mountain the apostles got a glimpse of the glory that belonged to Jesus as the Son of God. We too have glory in us because we are made in God's image.

Virtue causes the image of God to shine within us. Sin, on the other hand, tarnishes the image of God within us. Let us call to mind our sins. Let us ask God to help us to run from sin to virtue.

Lord Jesus, you help us to change bitterness into forgiveness.

Lord, have mercy.

You help us to change indifference into love. Christ, have mercy.

You help us to change sorrow into joy, and despair into hope. **Lord, have mercy.** 

On Mount Tabor the apostles got a glimpse of the glory that belonged to Jesus as the Son of God.

So wonderful was this experience that Peter exclaimed. "Lord, it is good for us to be here."

And surely it is good for us to be here today.

Lord, we thank you for bringing us here, becuase here we get a glimpse of our glory, for we too are children of God and heirs to eternal life.

#### RECRUITMENT OPEN DAY

May our lives reflect the glory for which we are destined.

Mountpleasant Lodge Nursing Home, Kilcock, W23 XT7W are holding a recruitment open day on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> Feb. from 10am to 4pm. We are hiring a number of positions, including:

- Healthcare Assistants
- Housekeeping Assistants
- Kitchen Assistants

Think you would be a good fit? Feel free to drop in on the day with an updated CV. If you would like to book an interview slot, please email recruitment@orpea.net.

### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co. Mayo on 3<sup>rd</sup> March. 2024 - includes 5 nights in the 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, B&B, Lunch/Snack on 2 days, and Afternoon Tea at 5\* 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 on 094 9006426 or 087 1890236, or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

 Fr. George
 Fr. Kolwani
 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, 20th FEB 2024

Lotto Nos. 1 - 4 - 5 - 8

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €18,000

(3x€50) Winners: James Gaynor, Anne Devine & Mary Greane.

(2x€50) Promoters: Rene Gorman & Bridget McSweeney.

Thank you for your continued support.

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

Do not take life too seriously, you will never get out of it alive!

Are you interested in becoming a reader in St. Coca's Church? If interested, please contact Nicola in the Parish Office, Mon-Fri, 9am-1pm or ring 01 6287406.

Painter available for small jobs in the Kilcock area. Phone 089 4663576.

## CAPPAGH LOTTO - TUE, 20th FEB 2024

Lotto Nos. 16 - 32 - 36

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €1,000

(5x€20) Winners: Paul Mullally, Matthew Hyland, Karen Devine, Declan Cullen & KM Sheds.

Thank you for your continued support.

# GAA LOTTO – SUN, 18th FEB 2024

Lotto Nos. 14 - 23 - 27 - 29

NO Winner Next Jackpot: €16,700

(5x€25) Winners: Breda Bourke, K. Gouldsbury, Patti Harrison, Maria & Jimmy Staunton, Jack Cahalin.

Promoters: Stuart Brennan & Dara Hoolan.

Thank you for your continued support.

ADORATION 10.30am-11.30am

# MASSES FOR THE WEEK

#### St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 24<sup>th</sup> Feb 6pm Jay O'Connor (M.M.)

Tim, Susan, Michael & Tom Hanrahan (Anniv)

Henry Conlon (Anniv) & remembering deceased members of the Conlon family

Sun, 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 9am Sean Gill, Highfield Park (8<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

John Fitzpatrick (Anniv) & remembering his parents Angie & Christy & all deceased family members,

especially his cousin John (Recently deceased in Kerry)

Ollie & Bridget Ryan (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

Tom & Poll Dalton, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

12 noon Aidan Byrne, The Square & Lucan (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

Mossy Clancy, Leixlip (4<sup>th</sup> Anniv) Ryan Patrick Lynch (Anniv) Gwen Leavy (Anniv)

Hugh & Margaret Jennings (Anniv)

Mon, 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 10am Shared Mass for the Living

Tue, 27th Feb 10am Shared Mass for the Deceased

Wed, 28th Feb 10am

Thu, 29<sup>th</sup> Feb 10am Hugh Davey, Kilglynn (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

Fri, 1st Mar 10am

Sat, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar 6pm Eileen Fletcher (2nd Anniv)

Rosie O'Connor, Highfield Park (8th Anniv)

Matt Bracken (15th Anniv) & remembering Margaret Muldowney, her husband Tim and son Vincent

Dolores McFadden (25th Anniv)

Martha Brady, Church St. (Anniv) & remembering her husband Nicholas, son Nick & Grandson Nicky

William Gannon, Courtown Rd (Anniv) & remembering his wife Kathleen & daughters Maura & Eileen

Sun, 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 9am

12 noon Mary O'Brien (2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

Seamus & Mark Fowler, Courtown Rd (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members

Maureen McHugh, Pinewood Lawns (Anniv)

Joe & Helen Sheridan (Anniv); remembering their son John, Brid Laffan & all deceased family members

#### Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 25th Feb 10.30am Sue Richards (M.M.) – (Recently Deceased in UK)

Jim Ward (Recently Deceased)

Wed, 28th Feb 11am Adoration

Sun, 3<sup>rd</sup> Mar 10.30am Nicholas & Teresa Butler (Anniv)