

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – 7th APRIL 2024



Trocaire boxes can still be left back to the Sacristy after all masses over the weekend or during the week. Our Trocaire collection to date is $\notin 2,956$. Thank you for your continued support.

Divine Mercy mass on Sun, 7th April at 3pm. All welcome.

Adoration will resume on Mon, 8th April in St. Coca's Church from 12 noon to 6pm. All welcome.

Lotto will resume on Tue, 9th Apr. Many thanks for your continued support.

GAZA collection to date is \pounds 2,005 – if you still wish to contribute please leave your donation in an envelope marked GAZA into the Parish Office or the sacristy after all masses. Thank you for your support.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Michael Murphy; Sun 9am – Eilish O'Brien & 12 noon – Maeve Stynes.

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

IN MEMORIAM

We remember in our prayers Jimmy Cumiskey (RIP), Courtown Park, husband of Mary; and Marie Cahalin (RIP), nee Higgins, Clonfert, both of whom were buried during the week. We also remember Chris Comerford (RIP), mother of Mary Cullen, Cooltrim, who was buried in Naas during the week. We also ask prayers for Fr. George & his nephews & nieces and extended family as the funeral of his brother Paul (RIP) took place in India this week; and also to remember Nerijus Garbenis (RIP), Fenton Green who has died and whose funeral takes place at 10am on Monday morning. May they rest in peace.



DAFFODIL DAY 2024

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our recent Daffodil Day collections. The grand total of $\in 8,701.41$ was raised. We would like to thank our great volunteers, Browne's Garage, the Post Office & SuperValu for their co-operation &

refreshments. Sincere thanks also to Clearys, L'Horizon, Rye River Café, Dee's Hair Salon, Harbour Pharmacy, Timeless, Centra, Mick Walsh, John Ryan & the ladies in the knitting club for their support. Takings are up €700 on last year - thank you all. *Geraldine, Margaret & Ursula*

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER Cease Doubting and Believe

On this, the second Sunday of Easter, the Gospel tells the story of how Jesus appeared to the apostle Thomas, and rekindled his faltering faith.

In many ways we are like Thomas, because we too are troubled by doubts. Let us turn to the risen Lord, and ask him to dispel our doubts as he dispelled those of Thomas.

Lord Jesus, you calm our fears with your presence. Lord, have mercy. You heal our wounds with your love. Christ, have mercy. You rekindle our hope with your victory over death. Lord, have mercy.

Faith is a great gift.

But the story of Doubting Thomas shows just how frail is the human container in which this gift is carried. It is very difficult to remain a believer on one's own. We really need to belong to a believing community, whose common faith strengthens the faith of each individual. The early Christians show us the way to go. They supported one another by praying and worshipping together, and by offering a loving service to one another.

May you remain firm in the hope we profess because God is faithful to his promises. May the hope of eternal life enable you to bear patiently the trials of life.

May you not be afraid of anything the world can throw at you, because Christ has overcome the world.

Be the hero of your own story!

Preach the Truth as if you had a million voices. It is silence that kills the world. You are rewarded not according to your work or your time but according to the measure of your love. A soul cannot live without loving. It must have something to love. For it was created to love. To the servant of God, every place is the right place. And every time is the right time. We are of such value to God that He came to love among us. We can only respond by loving God for his love. Be who God meant you to be. And you will set the world on fire.

Parish Office : 01 6287 406; <u>info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie</u>. Parish Shop : 01 6287 499 Mon – Fri : 10.30am – 12.30pm

$\frac{\text{GAA LOTTO} - \text{SUN, 31}^{\text{st}} \text{ MAR '24}}{\text{Lotto Nos.} 2 - 3 - 6 - 26}$	CAPPAGH LOTTO – TUE, 2 nd APR '24 Lotto Nos. 11 – 14 – 25	
NO WinnerNext Jackpot: €17,300(5x€25) Winners: Brid Anglin, Tommy Byrne, Daragh Nolan, Mark Denby, Mick & Mag.Promoters: Bridget McSweeney & Mark Gannon. Thank you for your continued support.	NO WinnerNext Jackpot: €1,600(5x€20) Winners: Siobhan & Paddy Cullen, Maura Milner, Kaci, Dylan & Jake, AnnMarie McAuley, M. Gillan c/o Sean & Rene Gorman. Thank you for your continued support.	
 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. Balyna Parish Spring Craft Fair on Sun, 14th April from 12noon – 5pm in Cadamstown GAA Pitch/Hall, W91 C580. Bric-a-brac, craft tables, raffle & lots more. All welcome. 	I long to accomplish a great and noble task, but it is my chief duty to accomplish humble tasks as though they were great and noble. The world is moved along, not only by the mighty shoves of its heroes, but also by the aggregate of tiny pushes of each honest worker. Helen Keller	

ESSENTIAL REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN GRACES OF DIVINE MERCY

(FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER)

Sincerely repent of all our sins. Place our complete trust in Jesus.

Go to confessions (preferably before the feast day - within 8 days).

Receive Holy Communion on the feast day.

Venerate the blessed image of the Divine Mercy (which will be exposed on the Altar).

Naturally one must attend the ceremony which will take place in St. Coca's Church at 3pm on Sun, 7th April.

Jesus told St. Faustina that for those who faithfully partake of this feast, that an "Divine Mercy Sunday" – all the floodgates through which graces flow – will be opened.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 6 th Apr	6pm	Rita Malone, Ballycahan (10 th Anniv)
		Marie Devine (Anniv)
		Maureen Fagan, Highfield Park (Anniv)
Sun, 7 th Apr	9am	
	12 noon	Bernie Higgins, Highfield Park (3 rd Anniv)
Mon, 8 th Apr	10am	Shared Mass for the Living ADORATION 12 Noon - 6pm
Tue, 9 th Apr	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 10 th Apr	10am	Vincent Maloney (5 th Anniv)
		Lyn Wilson (Recently Deceased)
		Mary Browne (Anniv) & remembering her husband Tom & all deceased family members
Thu, 11 th Apr	10am	Paul Augustine Sibu, India (Recently Deceased – Brother of our dear Fr. George)
Fri, 12 th Apr	10am	
Sat, 13 th Apr	6pm	Geraldine Donagher, Courtown Road (M.M.)
Sun, 14 th Apr	9am	Anne & Tom Lynch (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members
	12 noon	Brigid "Brid" Bright, Highfield Park (2 nd Anniv) & remembering Joseph & Mary Bright, Connaught St.
		Tom Burke, Courtown Park (Anniv)
		Michael Byrne Jnr., Highfield Park (24 th Anniv)
Church of the Nativity, Newtown		
Sun, 7 th Apr	10.30am	
Wed, 10 th Apr	11am	Adoration
Sun, 14th Apr	10.30am	

Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund: A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!