

**KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 11<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025**

**PARISH DIARY**

We welcome the 2<sup>nd</sup> class children from *St. Joseph's NS*, their parents and teachers, to our 12 noon mass this Sunday as they celebrate their First Holy Communion.

On Thursday evening, there was "white smoke" in St. Peter's Square. We welcome Pope Leo XIV.

**Readers for this weekend:** Sat 6pm – Grainne McCormack, Sun 9am – Margaret Macken & 12 noon – Willie Hughes.

**Eucharistic Ministers for this weekend** - Sat 6pm 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 Fred Gibbons (RIP), Laragh, whose funeral took place to St. Joseph's on Thursday; we also remember his daughter-in-law, Catherine Gibbons (RIP), Ballycaghan/Millerstown, who was buried in St. Joseph's last week. We also ask prayers for Paul Lynam (RIP), Highfield Park, who died during the week and whose funeral took place to St Joseph's on Saturday. May they rest in peace.

**BLESSED JOHN SULLIVAN MASS 2025**

The annual Blessed John Sullivan SJ birthday mass will be celebrated in Clongowes Wood College on Sunday, 11th May at 3pm. Principal Celebrant and Homilist is Bishop Denis Nulty. For further details, please contact Cait Cullen on 087 312641.

*Do what you can, with what you have, where you are!*

**KILDARE AND LEIGHLIN DIOCESE JUBILEE  
ONE-DAY PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG**

There are still places left on the bus for the Kildare & Leighlin Diocese one-day pilgrimage to Lough Derg on Sat. 17<sup>th</sup> May. The bus departs from Monasterevin at 5.40am calling at Kildare, Newbridge, Naas, Sallins, Clane, Kilcock, Maynooth & M3 P&R Dunboyne and arriving at Station Island by 10am and returning from 5pm.

Cost is €35 return for the bus, and €50 for the island, which includes lunch. For more details or to book your place, please phone/text Deirdre on 087 2467594.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

In today's Gospel, Jesus, the Good Shepherd, says to us "I know my sheep. They listen to my voice and follow me." Let us reflect for a moment on our failure to respond to the love and care of Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

***Lord Jesus, you call us to be our people, the sheep of your flock.***

**Lord have mercy.**

***You help us to listen to your voice and to follow you.***

**Christ have mercy.**

***You lead us to the green pastures of eternal life.***

**Lord have mercy.**

*The deepest wound of all is that which affects the heart:  
the feeling that one has not been loved,  
that one is not precious to anyone.*

*Many people today are wounded at heart.*

*Each of us can do something to heal their wounds.*

*We have hands that can make things  
and minds that can understand things.*

*But above all we have hearts that can give life.*

*We are not sterile people.*

*We can give life to people who are inwardly broken.*

*We can show them that they are important  
and so bring life to them.*

*Today, Good Shepherd Sunday, is also Vocations Sunday.*

*But all vocations are vocations to love.*

**UPCOMING CEMETERY MASSES**

Wed, 4 <sup>th</sup> June	St. Joseph's	7.30pm
Thu, 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Cloncurry	7.30pm
Fri, 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Newtown	7.30pm

***A collection will be taken up at all of these Cemetery masses to help with the ongoing cost of the upkeep of the cemeteries. Many thanks for your continued support.***

**AFRICA DAY 2025**

You are all cordially invited to Africa Day 2025 on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> May from 12noon-6pm in the Community Centre, Bawnogues, Commons West. There will be music and dance in the Square from 12noon to 1pm followed by a parade procession from the Square to the above venue at 2pm. All welcome.

## PARISH LOTTO – TUE, 6<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025

Lotto Nos. 5 – 13 – 14 – 27

**NO Winner**

**Next Jackpot: €12,500**

**(3x€50) Winners:** Paul & Kathleen, Brid & TJ Dalton, Damien Regan.

**(2x€50) Promoters:** Julie McCarthy & Eileen Gill.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

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

*Listen to understand, not simply to reply.*

*This world demands the qualities of youth;  
not a time of life but a state of mind,  
a temper of the will, a quality of imagination,  
a predominance of courage over timidity,  
of the appetite for adventure over the love of ease.*

## CAPPAGH LOTTO – TUE, 6<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025

Lotto Nos. 2 – 27 – 30

**NO Winner**

**Next Jackpot: €2,100**

**(5x€20) Winners:** James Grogan, Kathleen Gill, Debbie Jennings, Robert Finn & Moira Dooley.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

## GAA LOTTO – SUN, 4<sup>th</sup> MAY 2025

Lotto Nos. 6 – 16 – 23 – 32

**NO Winner**

**Next Jackpot: €20,000**

**(5x€25) Winners:** Bernard Wallace, Laura Sweeney, Shirley Farrell, Declan Cahalin & Siobhan Cahalin.

**Promoters:** Denis Fagan & Michael McGinley.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

*It is that quality of the Irish, the remarkable combination of hope, confidence and imagination,  
that is needed more than ever today.*

*The problems of the world cannot possibly be solved by sceptics or cynics,  
whose horizons are limited by the obvious realities.*

*We need people who can dream of things that never were, and ask,  
“WHY NOT?”*

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 10 <sup>th</sup> May	6pm	Michael “Mick” Higgins, Laragh (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv) & remembering his parents & brother & sisters Jim Bourke (6 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) John Sims & Lena Brady (Anniv) & remembering Richard Hobbs & George Lucas Paul Barrett (Anniv) & remembering his uncle Martin & cousin Patsy O'Rourke Anna Macari (Birthday Remembrance)
Sun, 11 <sup>th</sup> May	9am 12 noon	<b><u>FIRST COMMUNION – ST. JOSEPH'S NS</u></b>
Mon, 12 <sup>th</sup> May	10am	Shared Mass for the Living <b><u>ADORATION 10.30am-1pm</u></b>
Tue, 13 <sup>th</sup> May	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 14 <sup>th</sup> May	10am	Anna Byrne nee Flynn (10 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) Hetty Keating & Ann Keating (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members Tommy Buckley (Anniv) & remembering Liam & Frank Tate
Thu, 15 <sup>th</sup> May	10am	
Fri, 16 <sup>th</sup> May	10am	
Sat, 17 <sup>th</sup> May	6pm	Eileen & John O'Neill, Highfield Park (Anniv)
Sun, 18 <sup>th</sup> May	9am 12 noon	Tony Lyons, Royal Meadows (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv) <b><u>FIRST COMMUNION – SCOIL CHOCA NAOFA</u></b>

### Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 11 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30am	Angela O'Brien (6 <sup>th</sup> Anniv); remembering her husband Jim (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv) & his sister Biddy (5 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) Joe & Sheila Mullally (Anniv)
Wed, 14 <sup>th</sup> May	11am	Adoration
Sun, 18 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30am	<b><u>FIRST COMMUNION – TIERMOHAN &amp; NEWTOWN NS</u></b>