KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 30th NOV. 2025

PARISH DIARY

Thank you to all who attended our Bereavement Mass on Thursday last, 27th Nov. It's never easy, but we were all together sharing the loss of our loved ones gone before us and giving each other hope for the future.

Adoration every Thursday evening 6.30pm - 7.30pm in St. Coca's Church. All welcome.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Mick Murphy, Sun 9am – Margaret Macken & 12 noon – John Cullen.

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

During this Christmas season,
may you be blessed with the spirit of the season,
which is peace;
the gladness of the season,
which is hope;
and the heart of the season,
which is love.

May love and laughter light your days and warm your heart and home.

May good and faithful friends be yours, wherever you may roam.

May peace and plenty bless your world with joy that long endures.

May all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours.

A heart is a muscle. And what do muscles do when they are torn? They grow back stronger!

PARISH SHOP

The Parish Shop will now open on the three Saturdays in the lead up to Christmas from 10.30am to 12.30pm — we now have Christmas mass bouquets, Christmas cards, Christmas candles, cribs and lots more. The Almas Christmas Mass bouquets will be available from Monday next. Come in and have a browse, open Mon-Sat, 10.30am-12.30pm.

WITH THANKS

The family of the late Peter Gannon (RIP), Highfield Park would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to all who joined with them for his removal & funeral mass — your sympathy, friendship and prayers were very much appreciated. A mass has been offered up for your intentions.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The liturgical year begins with the season of Advent. The chief characteristic of Advent is joyful expectations. We are waiting for the final coming of Christ. And we are waiting for the coming at the time of death.

Since both times are hidden from us, we should maintain a state of watchfulness so that we are ready to meet the Lord at any moment.

Lord Jesus, you keep us watchful in prayer.

Lord, have mercy.

You keep us active in good works.

Christ, have mercy.

You keep us true to your teaching.

Lord, have mercy.

Isaiah invites us to go up to the mountain of the Lord.

But who will climb the mountain of the Lord?

Who will stand in his holy place?

"Those who walk without fault and who act with justice.

Those with clean hands and pure heart,

who desire not worthless things,
but whose delight is in the law of the Lord." (Ps 15, Ps24)

Lord, send forth your light and your truth,

let these be our guide.

Let them bring us to your holy mountain,

to the place where you dwell.

BLESSING FOR THE ADVENT WREATH

The time of Advent is once more upon us. In the coming days and weeks we will recall God's plan of salvation when he prepared his chosen people to receive his Son; we shall recall that we today are called to bring Christ to birth in our world and that we must renew our commitment during these weeks to being his disciples; we shall remind ourselves that he shall come again at the end of time, judging the living & the dead.

Let us pray - Almighty God, we pray you to bless this Advent wreath and make it holy. Today we begin to recall how your Son's coming was proclaimed by all the prophets; how the Virgin Mother bore him in her womb with love

and made him known when at last he came.

Grant that this time of preparation will increase our holiness and give us new strength to follow in your Son's way.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

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PARISH LOTTO –TUE, 25th NOV. 2025

Lotto Nos. 5-12-24-27

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €12,400

(3x€50 Winners): Peggy Coffey, Bridget McNally,

Garry & Ber.

(2x€50 Promoters): Danny Mulligan, Parish.

Thank you for your continued support.

St. Mary's Brass & Reed Band Christmas Concert on Sat, 13th Dec. at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Maynooth. All welcome.

Carbury GAA – Christmas Bingo Special on Sun, 28th Dec. at 2pm in the clubhouse. Over €3,000 in prizes - with a guaranteed jackpot of €1,500. Raffle on the day with great prizes. We look forward to welcoming you to on 28th Dec.

CAPPAGH LOTTO - TUE, 25th NOV. 2025

Lotto Nos. 7-18-31

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €1,000

(5x€20) Winners: Marion Dillon, Shona Cully, Tina Piper, D, R, AA Hosey, Jane Feeney.

Thank you for your continued support.

GAA LOTTO - SUN, 23rd NOV, 2025

Lotto Nos. 2-4-13-28

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €20,000

ADORATION - 10.30am-11.30am

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(5x€25) Winners: Colm Grehan, Gail Barry, Mary

Costello, Joe Gannon, B&A.

Promoters: Denis Fagan & James Byrne.

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 29th Nov

6pm Jim Rochfort (6th Anniv)

Michela Logan (18th Anniv)

Anne & Des Cleary, The Bridge (Anniv) & remembering Joan Hampton & deceased members of the

Cleary & Dowling families Annamma Joy (Anniv)

Sun, 30th Nov

9am Sebastian Jinoy (Remembrance)

Thomas "Toddy" Yallop, Hortland; Annie & Thomas Yallop & all deceased family members

12 noon Jimmy Dwyer, Harris Hill (3rd Anniv)

Cathy Carr, Courtown Park (9th Anniv)

Michael & Mamie Murphy, Branganstown (Anniv) & remembering their son-in-law Joe Madden

Neville Bird, formerly Main St. (Anniv) & remembering his deceased parents & brothers

Mon, 1st Dec 10am Shared Mass for the Living

Tue, 2nd Dec 10am Shared Mass for the Deceased

Wed, 3rd Dec 10am Harry Brady, Highfield Park (1st Anniv) & his beloved wife Essie (10th Anniv)

Tom Bonney, Courtown Road (Anniv)

Thu, 4th Dec 10am

Fri, 5th Dec

10am

Sat, 6th Dec

6pm Phil Malone, Ballycahan (3rd Anniv)

Sun, 7th Dec

12 noon Seamus & Bridie Daly, Fernslough (Anniv)

Michael Mulhall, Duncreevan (Anniv) & remembering his wife Maura (Birthday Remembrance)

Michael & Eileen Devine (Anniv) & remembering their son Johnny & their daughter Ann

James & Margaret Hayden (Anniv)

Gretta Flynn (Anniv) & remembering her husband Larry & all deceased members of Flynn & Hayden

families

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 30th Nov 10.30am Ciss & Ralph Tuite (Anniv)

Beattie & Peter Nealon (Anniv)

Wed, 3rd Dec 11am Adoration

Sun, 7th Dec 10.30am Kathleen Grogan (Anniv)

Christopher & Margaret Murray (Anniv)

Mick Crowe (Anniv) & remembering his sister Mary, brother Jim & all deceased members of the Crowe

family (formerly Newtown House)

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund – 22nd/23rd Nov: €1,787.00; Offertory Collection: €885.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund: A/C 4475; Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!