

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS – 4th JAN 2026

PARISH DIARY

Happy New Year to all our parishoners and best wishes for a very happy & blessed 2026.

Kilcock Heritage & Historical Society would like to wish all parishoners a very Happy New Year and are looking forward to hosing talks and tours in the coming year. For more details or information, please contact us at kilcockheritage@gmail.com.

Tuesday next, 6th January is the **Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord**, mass is at 10am in St. Coca's and 11am in Newtown.

Parish Lotto resumes on Tues, 6th Jan.

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

Eucharistic Ministers for this weekend - Sat 6pm Michael Minogue, Joe McFadden & Mick Ó'Murchú; Sun 9am – Margaret Macken & Dermot Sheehan; 12 noon – Patricia Mitchell & Mary Forde.

IN MEMORIAM

We ask prayers for Gabriel Bradley (RIP), Ballycannon, and John "Jackie" Garvey (RIP), Nicholastown, both of whom died recently and were buried in St. Joseph's cemetery. May they rest in peace.

*Another year, another start,
a tree of hope for every heart,
a time to leave the past behind,
and share a newfound peace of mind.
Then going forward day by day,
find love and joy along life's way.*

A POSITIVITY POTION

*A smidgen of wisdom.
A dash of love.
A sprinkle of acceptance.
A feather of hope.
A pinch of luck.
A handful of self-love.
A sliver of inspiration.
A helping of generosity.
A splash of joy.
A sprig of truth.
A hint of gratitude.*

Let them simmer together - and inhale the aroma that permeates the air

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

In the prologue to his Gospel, St. John says "The Word (God's Son) became flesh and dwelt among us". Our religion is founded on this great mystery.

As we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, let us call to mind our sins, confident that he who shared our humanity will help us to rise above them.

Lord Jesus, you are the light that enlightens all people.

Lord, have mercy.

To all who accept you, you give power to become children of God.

Christ, have mercy.

You share with us the riches that are yours as the only Son of the Father.

Lord, have mercy.

*When God's Son came on earth,
he came dressed in the cloak
of our weak and mortal humanity:*

*"They wrapped the baby in swaddling clothes,
and laid him in a manger".*

*Like an acorn that falls to earth, silently and unheralded,
in a remote corner of the forest,
and which grows into a great oak tree,
so from these lowly origins Jesus grew up
to show us the greatness of our humanity.*

A NEW YEAR

*I hope that in this year to come, you make mistakes.
Because if you are making mistakes,
then you are making new things, trying new things,
learning, living, pushing yourself,
changing yourself, changing your world.
You're doing things you've never done before,
and more importantly,
you're DOING SOMETHING.
So that's my wish for you, and for all of us,
and my wish for myself,
make NEW MISTAKES.
Make glorious, amazing mistakes.
Make mistakes nobody's ever made before.
Don't freeze, don't stop, don't worry
that it isn't good enough, or it isn't perfect,
whatever it is; art or love, or work or family life,
whatever it is that you are scared of doing, DO IT.*

CAPPAGH LOTTO - TUE, 23rd DEC. 2025

Lotto Nos. 13 – 19 – 33

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €1,400

(5x€20 Winners): Mary & Gareth Preston, Ronan Walsh, Kevin Doran, Michael & Michelle Curran, Audrey Rouse.

Thank you for your continued support.

Copies of *“Unity in Division: A History of Kilcock & Newtown Parish”* – a study charting the development of the Catholic faith and burial sites – is now on sale in Parish shop & costs €20.

Graigucullen MONSTER Bingo on Tue, 6th Jan 2026 in St. Fiaccs Hall @ 8pm. Jackpot on 48 numbers is €3,170, Double Number €390, Lotto €1350 & Bonus Ball €650. All welcome.

GAA LOTTO – SUN, 21st DEC. 2025

Lotto Nos. 18 – 22 – 28 – 31

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €20,000

(5x€25) Winners: Brendan Macken, Tom O'Connor, Breda Kiely, George Macken, John O'Neill.

Promoters: Denis Fagan & Gus Bourke.

GAA LOTTO – SUN, 28th DEC. 2025

Lotto Nos. 1 – 6 – 17 – 22

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €20,000

(5x€25) Winners: Joan Slaughter, Mary Denton, AnneMarie Lynch, Kevin Sheeran, Amanda Martyn.

Promoters: Bridget McSweeney & Ailish Brady.



*Watch your thoughts, for they become words.
Watch your words, for they become actions.
Watch your actions, for they become habits.
Watch your habits, for they become character.
Watch your character, for it becomes your destiny.*



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 3 rd Jan	6pm	Una & Patrick Melia (Anniv) & remembering their daughter Mary Ferris & their daughter-in-law Kathleen
Sun, 4 th Jan	9am	
	12 noon	Joe Cassidy, Highfield Park (2 nd Anniv) Anne Lynam, Highfield Park (Anniv) & remembering Gary Lynam (late of Highfield) Fr. Jack McWey, former P.P. (Anniv) Gwen Leavy (Anniv)
Mon, 5 th Jan	10am	Shared Mass for the Living
Tue, 6 th Jan	10am	<i>Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord</i> - Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 7 th Jan	10am	
Thu, 8 th Jan	10am	
Fri, 9 th Jan	10am	
Sat, 10 th Jan	6pm	<i>Do This In Memory – Scoil Uí Riada</i> Maureen Langtry, Courtown Road (M.M.) Kathleen Gannon, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering her daughters Maura & Eileen
Sun, 11 th Jan	9am	
	12 noon	Carmel Ward, Piercetown (1 st Anniv) Mary & Cathal Daly, Fernslough (Anniv)

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 4 th Jan	10.30am	Deceased members of the Kelly & Gorman families, Kilbrook Bob Needham (Birthday Remembrance) & remembering his wife Ciss, Peter & Tom Halligan, Alice & Bill Garry, Tom Fahy & Debbie Cox
Tue, 6 th Jan	11am	<i>Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord</i>
Sun, 11 th Jan	10.30am	<i>Do This In Memory – Newtown NS</i>