

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – 1st MAR 2026

Entrance Antiphon: “Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love, for they are from of old.
Let not our enemies exult over us. Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.”

PARISH DIARY

Trocaire boxes still available at the back of the Church.

Stations of the Cross every Friday morning for Lent after 10am mass. The season of Lent is a journey with Christ to Calvary – let us accompany Him. Amen.

We are still looking for **new Ministers of the Eucharist** and **new collectors** for our weekend masses (full training will be provided). If you are interested in either or both roles, please forward your details to Nicola in our Parish Office 01 – 6287406 or info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Katriona Quirke, Sun 9am – Basil Onodu & 12 noon – Mariah Aldrin Panakal.

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.

Jesus was transfigured on the mountain.

We too can have moments of transfiguration.

Sometimes a blessedness comes down around us,
a glory falls upon us from God, and life is sweet.

In his love for us, God allows us to taste on earth
the joys of the world to come.

Lord, give us confidence in your unchanging love for us.

Help us to follow you with courage,
and lead us in the glory that never fades.

May you never forget that we are but pilgrims on the earth,
and that our true home is in heaven.

May you live lives that are worthy of the glory to which
you are called.

And may the peace of God, which passes all understanding,
guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

PARISH SHOP

We now stock Confirmation & First Communion cards as well as a wide range of Mass cards for almost every occasion. Please note that all mass requests are remembered in Shared Masses on Mon at 10am (Living) and Tue at 10am (Deceased). Shop opens from 10.30am-12.30pm Mon-Fri. For all enquiries, please call 01 6287499.

Fr. George
01 6287 448

Fr. Kolwani
01 6757 311

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT THE FLESH OF THE WORD

Every so often, we catch a glimpse of the "*something more*" that God has in store for us. These fleeting experiences are to be treasured: the birth of the first child, falling in love, a sense of "*being held*" by God's presence. Such experiences may help us approach the Transfiguration. Like all transcendent experiences, it is fleeting and yet it etches a memory and leaves a longing. What should we do? Practice listening to him. Be not afraid. Be brave. We cannot always be "*on the mountain*" and yet what happens on the heights can help us on the lowlands of the everyday. A mountain should be viewed as a mound of opportunity.

Through his **CROSS**, Christ entered into his glory. This is the central symbol of the Easter story: **CROSS** and **PASSION** which is at the heart of the paschal mystery. The catechumens, having been shown the struggle needed, are pointed towards their own exodus. The disciples on the mountain seeing Jesus transfigured, are encouraged for the days when they meet the **CROSS**. We are all called to holiness. If we respond, as did Abraham and Jesus, then we will come to a glorious transfiguration.

FOUR AGREEMENTS TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE

- **Be impeccable with your word** - speak with integrity. Say only what you mean. Avoid using your word to speak against yourself or to gossip about others. Use the power of your word in the direction of truth and love.
- **Don't take anything personally** - nothing others do is because of you. What others say and do is a projection of their own reality, their own dream. When you are immune from the opinions and actions of others, you won't be the victim of needless suffering.
- **Don't make assumptions** - find the courage to ask questions and to express what you really want. Communicate with others as clearly as you can, to avoid misunderstandings, sadness and drama. With this one agreement you can completely transform your life.
- **Always do your best** - your best is going to change from moment to moment, it will be different when you are healthy as opposed to sick. Under any circumstance simply do your best, and you will avoid self-judgment, self-abuse and regret.

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

PARISH LOTTO –TUE, 24th FEB. 2026

Lotto Nos. 15 – 17 – 26 – 28

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €11,000

(3x€50 Winners): Mary Doogen, S&J Farrell, Anne Devine.

(2x€50 Promoters): Pat Mahon, Beatrice Mallon.

Thank you for your continued support.

CAPPAGH LOTTO - TUE, 24th FEB. 2026

Lotto Nos. 7 – 14 – 18

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €800

(5x€20 Winners): Brendan Rouse, Wayne Butler, Geraldine Mooney, Karen Kenna, Marion Dillon.

Thank you for your continued support.

The point of power is always in the present moment!

GAA LOTTO – SUN, 22nd FEB. 2026

Lotto Nos. 4 – 18 – 22 – 28

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €20,000

(5x€25) Winners: Brendan McGlynn, Kathleen O'Donoghue, Rebecca O'Sullivan, Declan Cahalin, Sarah Gannon.

Promoters: Denis Fagan & Mark Gannon.

Thank you for your continued support.

Friendship takes work. Finding friends, nurturing friendships, scheduling face time, it all takes a tremendous amount of work. But it's worth it. If you put in the effort, you'll see the rewards of positive friends who will make your life extraordinary.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 28 th Feb	6pm	Joanie Keene, Highfield Park (M.M.) Ryan Patrick Lynch (Anniv) Dolores McFadden (27 th Anniv) Special Intention	
Sun, 1 st Mar	9am		
	12 noon	Darina Brien, Highfield Park (1 st Anniv) Maureen McHugh, Pinewood Lawns (38 th Anniv) Mossy Clancy (Anniv)	
Mon, 2 nd Mar	10am	Shared Mass for the Living	<u>NO ADORATION</u>
Tue, 3 rd Mar	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased	
Wed, 4 th Mar	10am		
Thu, 5 th Mar	10am		
Fri, 6 th Mar	10am		
Sat, 7 th Mar	6pm	Paddy Fitzsimons (1 st Anniv) & remembering his wife Anne & Tom & Christina Fitzsimons (Anniv) Matt Bracken (17 th Anniv) Margaret Muldowney, Laragh (Anniv) & remembering her husband Tim & their son Vincent William Gannon, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering his wife Kathleen, daughters Maura & Eileen & all deceased members of the Gannon & Sullivan families Martha Brady, Church St. (Anniv) & remembering her husband Nicholas, son Nick & all deceased members of the Brady & McCabe families	<u>Adoration – 6.30pm – 7.30pm</u>
Sun, 8 th Mar	9am	PJ Nolan, Belgard (Anniv)	
	12 noon	Thomas Kelly (Anniv)	

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 1 st Mar	10.30am	Aileen Daly, Cloncurry (M.M.) Edward "Ned" & Rose Fitzsimons (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members	
Wed, 4 th Mar	11am	Adoration	
Sun, 8 th Mar	10.30am		

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Dev. Fund: 21st/22nd Feb: €1,935.00; Offertory Collection: €860.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund: A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!