

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 10th MAY 2026

Entrance Antiphon: *Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth
The Lord has freed his people, Alleluia!*

PARISH DIARY

The sum of €3,230 was collected for Trócaire – thank you for your continued support.

We would welcome **new collectors** to join our team in St. Coca's. Expressions of interest to Nicola in the parish office, 01-6287406 or email info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Helen Noonan; Sun 9am – Lorena Alves de Carvalho, 12 noon – Kulli Adamberg.

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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The following words, attributed to Pedro Arrupe SJ, may up-lift and inspire: "*Nothing is more practical than finding God, that is, than falling in love, in a quite absolute, final way. What you are in love with, what seizes your imagination, will affect everything.*" It will decide what drives you to action in the morning, what you will do with your day, your evening, how you spend the weekends, what you read, who you meet, where you go, what you do, what makes your heart, what breaks your heart, what makes you laugh, what makes you cry, what makes you sigh, what makes you pause, what makes you reflect, what makes you tense up, what makes you relax, what makes you take a deep breath. It decides everything!

Through **Baptism** and **Confirmation** we have been given the **HOLY SPIRIT**, that same Spirit who gave Christ the victory over the world. This Advocate is our support in the challenges and difficulties of life. The Spirit of truth convinces us of the meaning and value of the Christian way.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Join Bishop Denis Nulty & the Kildare & Leighlin Diocese - we are delighted to invite the parishioners of Kilcock and Newtown to join us for a day of prayer, reflection, and community at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Knock on Sun, 7th June; Departure: 08:45am from in front of the Church, returning approx. 5pm. The day's itinerary is as follows: upon arrival, pilgrims will have personal time to explore the peaceful grounds of the Shrine. You are welcome to visit the various Chapels, Gift Shops, and Book Store. Avail of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Eucharistic adoration and rosary; attend the Main Mass Ceremonies at 2.30pm in the Basilica, followed by the Anointing of the Sick and a Procession.

"Via, Veritas, Vita"

Adult €20, U18s €15 - to reserve a seat, contact the Parish Office or call Philip Vesey on 085 168 1143.

UPCOMING CEMETERY MASSES

Wed, 3 rd June	St. Joseph's	7.30pm
Thu, 4 th June	Cloncurry	7.30pm
Fri, 5 th 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.

SUMMER OUTDOOR STATION MASSES

We will be celebrating Station Masses over the summer months. As the evenings get longer and weather improves (hopefully), we would like to visit different areas of the Parish to celebrate the Eucharist outdoors in a sense of connection and community.

We welcome suggestions for locations. Please contact Nicola in Parish Office - 01 6287406 or email info@kilcockandnewtownparish.ie.

UPCOMING PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Cooleragh & Staplestown, together with Kilcock & Newtown Parish, are doing a pilgrimage to Lourdes. We would travel out on Mon, 5th Oct. for 4 nights, returning on Fri, 9th Oct – staying in the Hotel Eliseo. Cost is €795 p.p. sharing (Half-board, - breakfast & dinner); €825 p.p. sharing (Full-board – breakfast, lunch & dinner); there is a single room supplement of €45 per night. Spiritual Director for our pilgrimage is Rev. Fr. John Brickley, P.P. Cooleragh & Staplestown.

If you are interested and considering coming on this pilgrimage, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact the Parish Office on 01 6287406 or Philip Vesey on 085 1681143.

PARISH LOTTO –TUE, 5th MAY. 2026

Lotto Nos. 6 – 18 – 26 – 27

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €11,800

(3x€50 Winners): Enrika, Derek & Bridget & Julian Hughes.

(2x€50 Promoters): Parish, New Lane Barbers.

Thank you for your continued support.

CAPPAGH LOTTO - TUE, 5th MAY. 2026

Lotto Nos. 20 – 23 – 35

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €1,800

(5x€20 Winners): Rebecca Duff, Sean & Tony Grogan, Tony Kendrick, Geraline Convey, Timmy Downey.

Thank you for your continued support.

GAA LOTTO – SUN, 3rd MAY. 2026

Lotto Nos. 8 – 17 – 20 – 30

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €20,000

(5x€25) Winners: Brendan McGlynn, Brenda Brilly, Brian O'Rourke, Siobhan Downey, Gareth Daly.

Promoters: Mark Gannon, Eva Sheridan.

Thank you for your continued support.

Graiguecullen Bingo on Tue, 12th May in St. Fiaccs Hall @ 8.30pm. Jackpot on 48 numbers is €5,380, Double Number €1,580, Lotto €2,200 & Bonus Ball €1,500. All welcome.

Bus to Knock on Sun, 6th Jun for **Rosary Rally Day & Consecration of Ireland to Immaculate Heart of Mary**. First pick up in Maynooth at 7.30am, 7.45am in Clane & 8am in Kilcock. Any persons interested in going, please text Cera on 086 8580229.

The annual Church gate collection in aid of Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Ireland, which took place on 25th/26th April, amounted to €749. We wish to extend our sincere thanks for your very generous support once again this year. All monies collected go towards services and activities for the health and wellbeing of members of the Kildare Branch.

There is nothing so bad that it couldn't be worse.

*The ego relies on the familiar.
It is reluctant to experience the unknown,
which is the very essence of life!*

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 9 th May	6pm	Paul Lynam, Highfield Park (1 st Anniv) Michael Higgins, Laragh (2 nd Anniv) & remembering his parents, his brother & sisters Tom, Mary, Alan & Sean Fay, Courtown Road (Anniv) Eileen & John O'Neill, Highfield Park (Anniv) Jim Bourke (Anniv) John Sims (Anniv) & remembering Lena Brady, Richard Hobbs & George Lucas Paul Barrett (Anniv) & remembering his Uncle Martin
Sun, 10 th May	9am 12 noon	Paul Keegan (3 rd Anniv) Thomas Walsh, Gragadder (53 rd Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members
Mon, 11 th May	10am	Shared Mass for the Living
Tue, 12 th May	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 13 th May	10am	Anna Byrne nee Flynn (11 th Anniv) Rafael Salvador Forero (Birthday Remembrance)
Thu, 14 th May	10am	
Fri, 15 th May	10am	Sr. Mary Cuddy (Anniv); remembering Anne Cuddy & her husband Jim & all deceased family members
Sat, 16 th May	6pm	Elizabeth "Liz" Byrne, Mill Lane (1 st Anniv) & remembering her husband Aidan, her daughters MaryEllen & Kerrie, her sister Barbara & her mother, Maureen John Smith (2 nd Anniv)
Sun, 17 th May	9am 12 noon	FIRST COMMUNION – SCOIL CHOCA NAOFA FIRST COMMUNION – ST. JOSEPH'S

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 10 th May	10.30am	Kitty Saultzs (Anniv); her son Pdraig (60 th Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members
Wed, 13 th May	11am	Adoration
Sun, 17 th May	10.30am	

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Dev. Fund: 2nd/3rd May: €1,215.00; Offertory Collection: €770.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund: A/C 4475; Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!