

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN
3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT – 15th DEC 2024

PARISH DIARY

We welcome the children from *St. Joseph's* to our 6pm Saturday mass in St. Coca's and from *Tiermohan NS* to our 10.30am Sunday mass in Newtown as they prepare for their First Holy Communion.

Come enjoy our *Parish Choir Christmas Carol Service* on Sun, 15th Dec. at 6pm in St. Coca's. All welcome.

We have our *Penitential Service & Reconciliation* on Wed, 18th Dec. at 7pm in St. Coca's. All welcome.

Donations for flowers for the Altar at Christmas are always welcome. You can leave same in Parish Shop for the attention of Tess. Thanking you in advance.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Mick Murphy, Sun 9am – John O'Malley & 12 noon – Pat Barrett.

Eucharistic Ministers for this weekend - 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 Gary Lynam (RIP), The Paddocks, brother of Paul, Highfield Park, whose funeral took place to Dunferth last Monday. We also ask prayers for Brian O'Reilly (RIP), Pinewood Lawns, whose ashes were interred in St. Joseph's Cemetery this week. May they rest in peace.

THE GIVING TREE – CHRISTMAS 2024

This year we will work with vouchers to help local families in our Parish. Please put vouchers/donations in envelope marked "Giving Tree" and drop into the Parish Office. Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

It's all anybody wants, right?

Clean slate. A new beginning. Like that's gonna be any easier. Ask the guy pushing the boulder up the hill.

Nothing's easy about starting over. Nothing at all!

PARISH LOTTO – CHRISTMAS 2024
EXTRA PRIZES FOR CHRISTMAS

This week we will give out 3 extra **€50 Punters** and 2 extra **€50 Promoters** prizes as well as the normal prizes.

There will be NO Lotto on Tue, 24th & 31st Dec. Normal service will resume on Tue, 7th Jan. 2025. Thank you all for your continued support in 2024. Happy Christmas to one and all - yearly/half-yearly/quarter-yearly lotto tickets - ideal gifts for any occasion.

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3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The Lord is near to us, this is a basic Christian belief. It is this belief that makes our Sunday gathering each week so special: Jesus is among us as an assembly, we hear his voice, we share his banquet. The Lord is also one who is not-yet-here: we have to wait for him, we have to be patient in prayer, we have to be diligent in preparing a way for him to enter our world anew.

Lord Jesus, when you came into the world, you proclaimed the Father's gentleness.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, when you came into the world, you proclaimed the Father's forgiveness.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, when you came into the world, you proclaimed the Father's love.

Lord, have mercy.

"Rejoice in the Lord always, again I will say, Rejoice".

Lord, let us rejoice in you now in our thanksgiving.

Lord, let us rejoice in you during the coming festival.

"Let all men know your forbearance."

Lord, may our peace and patience bear witness to you.

Lord, we thank you for sharing your peace with us at your table.

"The Lord is at hand".

Lord, we thank you for your closeness.

Lord, we thank you for your coming into our world in Palestine.

Lord, we thank you for your coming into our assembly at this holy meal.

Lord, we thank you for your promise to come again.

WITH THANKS

We would like to take this opportunity to thank 5th Year Scoil Dara students and their teacher, Marie, for their hard work in decorating St. Coca's Church – the crib and tree – for Christmas. Well done to all!

Tom & Marie O'Keeffe invite everyone to the Blessing of the Crib, and to sing Carols, at 727, Courtown Road in aid of Focus Ireland on Thursday, 19th Dec. from 7.30pm. As this is an outdoor event, please wear warm clothes. All welcome.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISER

Tiermohan National School's Lotto is having a special Christmas draw on the 19th December. In addition to cash prizes, subscribers will also have the chance to win two tickets to Oasis and a €500 Dunnes Stores gift card. Go to <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/tiermohanns> to join.

PARISH LOTTO – TUE, 10th DEC ‘24

Lotto Nos. 3 – 8 – 16 – 27

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €10,700**

(3x€50) Winners: Laura Duff Hanrahan, Johnny O’Sullivan Jr. & Donal Devine.

(2x€50) Promoters: Rosie Duff & Packie Lynch.

Thank you for your continued support.

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Christmas is doing a little something extra for someone!

Conversational English classes on Friday morning from 10am-12 noon in Kilcock Library. Free Registration.

Christmas Stock now in the Parish Shop, why not drop in and have a browse. We are open Mon-Fri. 10.30am-12.30pm.

St. Mary’s Brass Band and Reed Band Christmas Concert in St. Mary’s Church, Maynooth on Sun, 15th Dec. at 7.30pm. Join us for an evening of festive music and holiday cheer.

CAPPAGH LOTTO – TUE, 10th DEC ‘24

Lotto Nos. 2 – 8 – 10

Winner: Seamus Timmons **Next Jackpot: €600**

(5x€20) Winners: Marie Foran, Thomas Murray, John Houlihan, Bernie Hannon & Mickey Harris.

Thank you for your continued support.

Christmas is most truly Christmas when we celebrate it by giving the light of love to those who need it most!

GAA LOTTO – SUN, 8th DEC ‘24

Lotto Nos. 1 – 2 – 21 – 27

NO Winner **Next Jackpot: €20,000**

(5x€25) Winners: Sean & Saoirse Rogers, Josie Maher, Michaela Fitzpatrick, Margaret Saunders & Eugene Kearney.

Promoters: Michael McGinley & Sean Montague.

Thank you for your continued support.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca’s, Kilcock

Sat, 14 th Dec	6pm	Do This in Memory – St. Joseph’s Patrick McDonnell, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering his wife Elizabeth Mena Curran (Anniv) Ivan Acton (3 rd Anniv) Kevin “Dickie” Byrne, Kilglynn (6 th Anniv) Jimmy & Fran Bright, Highfield Park (8 th Anniv) Maeve & Dermot Kelly (Anniv) Michael “Mick” McHale (Birthday Remembrance)	
Sun, 15 th Dec	9am		
	12 noon	Tommy “Bruce” Byrne, Kilglynn (Anniv) Michael Mellon, Moyglare (Anniv) & remembering his son Michael Marino Barnachea, Roberto Ceria, Jesusa & Vincente Go (Anniv)	
Mon, 16 th Dec	10am	Shared Mass for the Living	<u>ADORATION 10.30am-11.30am</u>
Tue, 17 th Dec	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased	
Wed, 18 th Dec	10am		
Thu, 19 th Dec	10am		
Fri, 20 th Dec	10am		
Sat, 21 st Dec	6pm	Do This in Memory – Scoil Uí Riada Eithne Wynne (2 nd Anniv) Eileen O’Connor, Courtown Road (Anniv) & remembering her husband Paddy and daughters Una & Geraldine Mossy & Breege Wren (Anniv)	
Sun, 22 nd Dec	9am	Susan Oliver (Anniv) & remembering her husband Oliver & Jack Grant	
	12 noon	George Haughton (Anniv) Beatrice & John O’Brien (Anniv) & remembering Mary & James Downey Pat & Mary Gildea (Anniv) Margaret & Michael Lavin (Anniv) & remembering all deceased family members Mary Cullen (Anniv)	

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 15 th Dec	10.30am	Do This in Memory – Tiermohan	
Wed, 18 th Dec	11am	Adoration	
Sun, 22 nd Dec	10.30am	John Walsh, Ovidstown (Anniv) & remembering his wife Mary & all deceased family members	

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund – 7th/8th Dec 2024: €1,510.00; Offertory Collection: €920.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund: A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!