

KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN
FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – 9th FEB 2025

PARISH DIARY

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PUT YOUR MOBILE PHONES ON SILENT WHILE IN THE CHURCH.

Anyone who purchased a *Yearly or Half-Yearly Lotto ticket* as a gift before Christmas, please contact Nicola in the Parish Office on 01 – 6287406.

A **HUGE thank you** to all who donated so generously in Kilcock & Newtown on St. Brigid's weekend to aid the people of Gaza. A total of €1,415.72 has been given to UNICEF. Míle Buíochas le gach duine.

Readers for this weekend: Sat 6pm – Ashling Bracken, Sun 9am – Dermot Sheehan & 12 noon – Christine Eloji.

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

IN MEMORIAM

We remember in our prayers Christopher “Kit” Dignam (RIP), Royal Meadows, whose funeral took place to St. Joseph's Cemetery on Saturday. May he rest in peace.

UPCOMING CHOIR VISIT

On Sunday next, 16th February, we are having a visiting secondary school choir from Connecticut, USA accompanying our choir at 12 noon mass. The visiting choir will be accompanied by Maureen Doherty's daughter-in-law, Jennifer Nelson. All are welcome to attend the mass.



If you make rules, apply them also to yourself!

THANK YOU

Tom & Marie O'Keeffe would like to thank everyone who supported and helped to organise their Garden Crib night in December last. The total of €1,617.70 was collected for Focus Ireland. Many thanks to Fr. Kolwani & Fr. Cloud for their prayers & to Breda Hopkins for her catering. Thanks also to the singers and everyone who supported the night and made it a success.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

All the saints were conscious of their sinfulness – and this forced them to rely more on the grace of God than on their own strength.

While our sinfulness humbles us, we might not let it get us down, or make us feel that we do not belong in the company of Jesus. He came to help us to overcome our sins. Therefore, let us approach him with confidence and confess them.

Lord Jesus, you open our ears so that we can hear your word.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, you touch our tongues so that we can profess our faith.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, you touch our hearts so that we can love you and love one another,

Lord, have mercy.

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate, but that we are powerful beyond measure.

It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us.

We ask ourselves, “Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?”

Actually, who are you not to be?

You are a child of God.

Your playing small doesn't serve the world.

There's nothing enlightening about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.

We are born to make manifest the Glory of God that is within us.

It's not just in some of us, it's in everyone.

And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same.

As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

POSITIVE HABITS TO CULTIVATE MINDFULNESS

Curiosity Habit: Approach everyday things with a new curiosity – and savour the wonder of discovery.

Forgiveness Habit: Forgive mistakes – big or small. We have all made mistakes for which we want to be forgiven. Some of us even deserve it.

Gratitude Habit: Show gratitude for good moments - and grace for bad ones – and gratitude that we are alive for both.

Compassion Habit: Practice compassion and nurture connectedness and relatedness with all living creatures.

PARISH LOTTO – TUE, 4th FEB 2025

Lotto Nos. 1 – 5 – 28 – 30

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €11,300

(3x€50) Winners: John Murphy, Margo, Eileen Gough.

(2x€50) Promoters: Anne Devine & Mary Byrne (Kilglyn).

Thank you for your continued support.

Yearly/half-yearly lotto tickets - ideal gifts for any occasion.

CAPPAGH LOTTO – TUE, 4th FEB 2025

Lotto Nos. 2 – 29 – 34

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €800

(5x€20) Winners: Jake Murray, John Grogan, Benny Geraghty, Dan Reilly & Declan Cullen.

Thank you for your continued support.

Graigucullen VALENTINES Bingo

FREE Pink Sheet with every book (2 free with doubles)
FREE Hamper with Lotto draw
Chocolates left & right of winners
Tues, 11th Feb in St. Fiaccs Hall, Graigucullen at 8.30pm
Jackpot on 46 numbers – €1,480
Double number €390; Lotto €600

GAA LOTTO – SUN, 2nd FEB 2025

Lotto Nos. 2 – 8 – 17 – 25

NO Winner

Next Jackpot: €20,000

(5x€25) Winners: Brian Smith, Alan Kehoe, Claire Greene, A&P Meade, Barbara Kirwan.

Promoters: Martin Kiely & Bridget McSweeney.

Thank you for your continued support.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 8 th Feb	6pm	Christy Nolan, Hortland (3 rd Anniv) & remembering his son Lyle (3 rd Anniv)	
Sun, 9 th Feb	9am	Conor Preston, Kilbrook (30 th Anniv)	
	12 noon	Fr. PJ Byrne (P.P.) (9 th Anniv)	
		Hannah Walsh, Gragadder (Anniv) & remembering her husband Thomas & all deceased family members	
		Ned & Rose Fitzsimons, Kilbrook (Anniv)	
		Una Morrin (Recently Deceased)	
		Betty Lynam, Highfield Park (Anniv) & remembering her grandchildren Ashling & Sean, their great-grandmother Moll O'Toole, their uncle Sean O'Toole, her sister Peggy & brother Jim; John Carron, Bertie Mallon (England), Maguire family, Johnny Pearse & Graham Williams (1 st Anniv)	
Mon, 10 th Feb	10am	Shared Mass for the Living	<u>ADORATION 10.30am-11.30am</u>
Tue, 11 th Feb	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased	
Wed, 12 th Feb	10am		
Thu, 13 th Feb	10am		
Fri, 14 th Feb	10am	Carmel Halligan (Anniv) & remembering Christy & all deceased family members	
		James Cross (Anniv) & remembering his wife Margaret & their grandson Kieran	
Sat, 15 th Feb	6pm	Aidan Byrne, Mill Lane (12 th Anniv) & remembering his dad Terry & his brother Michael & all deceased members of the Byrne family	
Sun, 16 th Feb	9am	Kathleen Mulhall (Anniv) & remembering her husband Denis & all deceased members of the Egan family	
		Kate Healy (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Healy family	
		Kathleen Cahill (Anniv) & remembering all deceased members of the Cahill family	
		Henry Conlon (Anniv)	
	12 noon	Aidan Byrne, The Square Bar/Lucan (Anniv)	
		Charlie McGeeney, Church St. (20 th Anniv) & remembering his wife Jean	

Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 9 th Feb	10.30am	
Wed, 12 th Feb	11am	Adoration
Sun, 16 th Feb	10.30am	