

**KILCOCK & NEWTOWN PARISH BULLETIN**  
**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 2<sup>nd</sup> MAR 2025**

### PARISH DIARY

Wednesday next, 5<sup>th</sup> Mar. is *Ash Wednesday* and so we begin our journey through Lent. Mass in St. Coca's at 10am and in Newtown at 11am.

**Lenten collection for the Priests of the Parish** will be taken up at the 2<sup>nd</sup> collection next weekend, 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> March. Please use envelopes in your development boxes or use the special white envelopes available at the back of the Church.

**Trocaire boxes** are now available at the back of the Church.

**Readers for this weekend:** Sat 6pm – Ashling Bracken; Sun 9am – John O'Malley & 12 noon – Kullli Adamberg.

**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 Raymond "Fog" Lynch (RIP), Courtown Bridge & Boston, who died during the week and who was buried in St. Joseph's on Saturday. We also ask prayers for Darina Brien, nee Byrne (RIP), Highfield Park, who died during the week and whose funeral takes place on Sunday at 2pm in St. Coca's Church. May they rest in peace.

### ST. PATRICK'S DAY, 2025

Looking for something different to do this coming St. Patrick's Day? The Duck Race is back from 2.45pm!! Cash prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placed ducks. Ducks will be on sale outside SuperValu on Sat, 15<sup>th</sup> Mar from 10am and cost €5 each, with all proceeds in aid of voluntary social clubs for people with additional needs. For further info, please feel free to contact us at [northkildarearchclub@gmail.com](mailto:northkildarearchclub@gmail.com).

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The family of the late Michael Maher, Ballinakill, Enfield wish to thank, most sincerely, their amazing friends, family & neighbours who sympathised with & supported them in their recent bereavement. Heartfelt thanks to all who called to the house, attended the funeral, sent mass cards & flowers and gifts. Thank you to Fr. George & Fr. Kolwani for their compassion celebrating Michael's long and happy life.

Thanks too to Ben Cully for the lovely music and hymns, to Murty O'Neill & Sons for their professionalism and their help and support at a very difficult and sad time. Thanks also to Liz Byrne for her help and preparation for the funeral mass. A special word of thanks to all the staff in "Curragh Hospice", St. Vincent's for their amazing care and also to the carers who came to the house and looked after Michael every day and finally to the Cancer Society drivers who looked after Michael. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

### EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At the start of each Mass we are invited to examine our conscience and to call to mind our sins. This means, of course, calling to mind our own sins, not the sins of anyone else. And we must not blame others for our sins, but accept full responsibility for them ourselves. Let us confess our sins to God and to one another.

*When I was young and fired with the love of God,  
I thought I would convert the whole world.  
But soon I discovered that it would be quite enough  
to convert the people who lived in my town,  
and I tried for a long time to do that, but did not succeed.  
The I realised that my program was still too ambitious,  
so I concentrated on those in my own household.  
But I found that I could not convert them either.  
Finally, it dawned on me: I must work on myself.  
When people complain about what's wrong with the world,  
they are usually blaming somebody else.  
They should look at themselves first.  
That way, they will know they are  
making a difference in at least one life.  
We can't take anyone farther than we've gone ourselves.*

### LOOKING TO MAKE LENT SPECIAL?

Why not come along to our one-night a week programme, starting on Wed, 12<sup>th</sup> March and concluding on Wed, 16<sup>th</sup> April, in Our Lady's Parish Centre, Leixlip from 8pm/8.30pm for one hour, followed by tea. (Wed, 12<sup>th</sup> March is 8.30pm start!)

Charis Ireland, which is part of Charis International set up by Pope Francis, has invited all small Christian communities to host an outreach programme during Lent to mark this year's jubilee year them "Pilgrims of Hope". This is our response to the invitation. Everyone welcome. Further details on parish website [www.olin.ie](http://www.olin.ie).

### UPCOMING DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

The children in Scoil Uí Riada currently have no playground and the Parents Association are working hard to raise money to get one built! We are holding a "Race Night" on Sat, 8<sup>th</sup> March in The Gregory Tavern, Kilcock at 8.30pm. No entry fee. A fun-filled night awaits!!

Bet on the races and maybe win a prize in the raffle. If you can't make it on the night but wish to support our cause, please donate to Scoil Uí Riada a/c; BIC: AIBKIE2D; IBAN:IE52AIBK93317109031068 using the narrative PLAYGROUND. *Ní neart go cur le chéile.*

## PARISH LOTTO – TUE, 25<sup>th</sup> FEB 2025

Lotto Nos. 3 – 13 – 25 – 31

**NO Winner**

**Next Jackpot: €11,600**

**(3x€50) Winners:** Dympna Gorry, Margaret Clifford, Seana White.

**(2x€50) Promoters:** Garry White & Brigid Duff.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

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

## CAPPAGH LOTTO – TUE, 25<sup>th</sup> FEB 2025

Lotto Nos. 3 – 30 – 36

**NO Winner**

**Next Jackpot: €1,100**

**(5x€20) Winners:** Imelda Regan, John Montague, Paul Lawlor, Clancy Family, Tony Hendrick.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

## GAA LOTTO – SUN, 23<sup>rd</sup> FEB 2025

Lotto Nos. 6 – 9 – 25 – 29

**NO Winner**

**Next Jackpot: €20,000**

**(5x€25) Winners:** Willie Geraghty, Margaret Nolan, Fiona Divilly, Treasa Talbot, Bernaro Herlihy.

**Promoters:** Denis Fagan, Mark Gannon.

*Thank you for your continued support.*

**Adult Art Classes in Staplestown Hall, Donadea** – Art for Adults on Monday mornings, 10.30am-12.30pm & evenings 7pm-9pm. All levels welcome. Enjoy painting in a friendly and relaxing environment with small groups, have a chat & a cuppa. Try sketching, acrylics, watercolours & oils. Call Joan on 085 8466020 for details.

**Kilcock SEC (Sustainable Energy Community)** will host an energy clinic in Kilcock Library from 7-8pm on Thurs, 13<sup>th</sup> March. Please send any queries to [kilcocksec@gmail.com](mailto:kilcocksec@gmail.com) or call Jim on 087 2944363.

*May you have the hindsight to know where you've been,  
the foresight to know where you're going,  
and the insight to know when you're going too far!*

*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.*

## GRAIGUECULLEN MONSTER BINGO

Tues, 4<sup>th</sup> Mar in St. Fiaccs Hall, Graiguecullen at 8.30pm

Jackpot on 49 numbers – €1,870

Double number €600

Lotto €750

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

### St. Coca's, Kilcock

Sat, 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	6pm	Margaret Muldowney (11 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) & remembering her husband Tim & son Vincent Matt Bracken, Laragh (16 <sup>th</sup> Anniv) Dolores McFadden (26 <sup>th</sup> Anniv)
Sun, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	9am	
	12 noon	Christopher "Kit" Dignam, Royal Meadows (M.M.) & remembering all deceased family members Maureen McHugh, Pinewood Lawns (Anniv) Myles Byrne (Anniv) & remembering his wife Bridget & his sons Patrick & Myles
Mon, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	10am	Shared Mass for the Living <b><u>ADORATION 10.30am-11.30am</u></b>
Tue, 4 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10am	Shared Mass for the Deceased
Wed, 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10am	<b>Ash Wednesday</b>
Thu, 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10am	
Fri, 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10am	
Sat, 8 <sup>th</sup> Mar	6pm	John, Kathleen & Pat Bourke, Courtown Road (Anniv) Billy 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 & their son Nicholas & all deceased members of the Brady & McCabe families
Sun, 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	9am	
	12 noon	Geraldine Danagher, Courtown Road (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv) Thomas Kelly, Duncreevan (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniv)

### Church of the Nativity, Newtown

Sun, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	10.30am	
Wed, 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar	11am	<b>Mass for Ash Wednesday</b>
Sun, 9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10.30am	Bernie Geraghty (Babbie) (Anniv) & remembering Thomas Snr., Thomas Jnr. & Brendan

Kilcock & Newtown Parish Development Fund – 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> Feb: €1,375.00; Offertory Collection: €830.00. Thanks to all who contributed, collected and counted. Kilcock & Newtown Benevolent Fund: A/C 4475: Kilcock Credit Union. All donations welcome!