

Pope Francis's Message For World Day Of Migrants And Refugees

On January 14, the Church observes the 104th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, a commemoration instituted by St. Pius X. Pope Francis's message for the day, is entitled:

"Welcoming, protecting, promoting and integrating migrants and refugees."

The migrations of the last century represented a challenge to the pastoral care of the Church, which was organised on the basis of stable territorial parishes. Previously members of the clergy had accompanied groups setting off abroad to colonize new lands, but from the middle of the 19th century on, the pastoral care of migrants was entrusted more and more frequently to missionary Congregations.

Then in 1914 the Decree *Ethnografica studia* dealt for the first time with the question of clergy involved in the care of migrants. It stressed the responsibility of the local Church to assist immigrants and suggested that the local clergy be given specific preparation for this, linguistically, culturally and pastorally.

ST. CATHERINE'S COMMUNITY SERVICES, CARLOW

Upcoming Courses for Ladies starting in January 2018 –

Personal Development Programme, Make Up & Nail Art, Interior Design for 6 weeks. Subject to demand, classes will be delivered in Tullow and Hacketstown.

If you are interested, please contact Orlaith Mc Hugh, 059 9138700, 086 8678411 or email orlaithm@catherines.ie

Registration for WMOF2018

Registration for all WMOF2018 events is open via www.worldmeeting2018.ie. Individual pilgrims and families can now register for the main three-day WMOF2018 Congress from August 22nd – 24th, guaranteeing your ticket(s) for the Festival of Families on Saturday 25th August and for the Closing Mass on Sunday, 26th August. Don't miss out on these once in a generation events. REGISTER NOW! www.worldmeeting2018.ie

'Building Your Pitch and Writing Effective Funding Applications'

Workshop 23rd January 2018. 6.30pm – 9pm ASKEA PARISH CENTRE

The Arts Office of Carlow County Council are delighted to announce they will host a public workshop for artists, cultural groups and all interested communities across County Carlow. This event is free and open to all and will cover :

How to communicate through your funding applications;

Arts Council current funding schemes and information;

What funding is available to artists, creators and community groups relating to the Arts in 2018. Contact details: T: +353 (0)59 9136203 E: kmooney@carlowcoco.ie

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's

Talbotstown

13th & 14th January 2018

St. Patrick's

Rathvilly

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Assumption

Tynock

Pray for Cecelia Gahan nee Lawlor, Clonmore and formerly Coolmanagh & Pat O'Gorman, Naas formerly Knocknagan whose funerals took place during the week. To their families, relatives and friends we offer our sympathy.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 13th January at 7.30 p.m.

Bernard, Mary & Ben Dunne, Rathmore

William Smith, Monavoth

Clare Jenkins, Ballybit

Sheila Kirwin, Mount Kelly

Matthew & Margaret Byrne, Ballymanus

Liam Lawlor, Phelan Street

Patrick Doyle, Tobinstown

Timothy Doyle, Tobinstown

Olive & Thomas Griffin, Ballyoliver

Liam Dunne, Rathmore

Nellie Corcoran, Rathmore

Saturday, 20th January at 7.30 p.m.

Billy Keegan, 8 Ballyoliver & deceased family members

Mick & Mamie Fox, Castlemore & deceased family members

Michael Kane, Bough

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – Communion Service at 9.30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – each Thursday 10am – 7pm

PARISH CALENDAR

There are a number of Parish Calendars still available in the Church. They contain some useful information in relation to our Parish.

CHRISTMAS CRIB

The Crib will remain open until the end of January. All donations will go to the homeless.

CONFIRMATION

Information Meeting for all Parents takes place on Wednesday, 24th January at 7.30 p.m. in Rathvilly National School.

ANNUAL TABLE QUIZ – CHURCH UNITY WEEK

The Annual Table Quiz for the two Churches, St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Church will be held in the Rathvilly Inn on Friday, 19th January 2018 at 9 p.m. sharp. Table of 4 - €20. Your support would be much appreciated.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 6th & 7th January, 2018

Offertory Collection €294.34 Envelope Collection €417.15 Many thanks.

LAND OF SAINTS & SCHOLARS

The Story of the Catholic Church in Ireland – Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin Edition, available from the Parish Office at €20 each.

GOSPEL READINGS – 14th – 21st January

Sunday: Jn 1: 35-42 Mon: Mk 2: 18-22 Tues: Mk 2: 23-28
Wed: Mk 3: 1-6 Thurs: Mk 3: 7-12 Fri: Mk 3: 13-19
Sat: Mk 3: 20-21 Sunday: Mk 1: 14-20

WEEK – 14th – 21st January

Altar Servers – Bailey Byrne, Emily Lawlor, Eabha Canavan, Emily Canavan.

Church Readers –

Saturday, 20th January – Keira Reilly, Tommy Donovan.

Sunday, 21st January – Eric Geaney, Peadar Doyle.

Ministers of the Eucharist –

Saturday, 20th January – Eithne Condon, Máire Kelly, Norah Butler.

Sunday, 21st January – Eithne Molloy, Laz Cullen, Michael Kehoe.

SAINTS THIS WEEK

Monday – St Ita was born in Co. Waterford of noble and Christian parents. Early on she set her mind on serving Christ in religious life. She founded a monastery in Killeedy, Co. Limerick, which attracted a great variety of young people. She was given the title ‘foster-mother of the saints of Ireland’. She died in 570.

Tuesday – St Fursa was born in Ireland and became one of the great monastic missionaries abroad. He went first with his brothers Foillan and Ultan to live the monastic life in East Anglia. But as great numbers continued to visit him there he left Foillan as abbot and sought refuge in France around 644. A patron gave him a hermitage at Lagny on the Marne. He died about 650 at Mézerolles and was buried in Péronne, which became a great centre of devotion to him.

Wednesday – St Anthony, died 356, ‘Father of monasticism’, lived a life of solitude but also attracted many others to form communities of hermits.

Saturday – St Fabian had been Pope for fourteen years when martyred under Decius in the year 250.

St Sebastian may have been a soldier and was martyred in the persecution of Diocletian. He sustained many others in their trials.

RATHVILLY NATIONAL SCHOOL

6 Week Draw in aid of School Funds. First Draw takes place this Monday, 15th January at 8.00 p.m. in the School. Prizes: €100, €50, €20, €20. Promoters prize €20. €2 per week. Please support.

RATHVILLY FOLK CHOIR

New Members are requested to join our Folk Choir. Practice each Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Church. Contact Gillian – 087 6467379.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 1-7-12-21.

Match 3 win or share €150

Mrs. Mary Kelly Haroldstown 1-7-11-21

Mary Kelly

Sean Kavanagh Mountkelly 1-12-18-21

Sean Kavanagh

Promoters Prize €20 Kevin McCall

Next draw 16 Jan. 2018 in Molloy's Bar. **Jackpot € 5,300**

Membership for 2018: Walking Track €20 Non Players Adult €30

Players U/19 €40, Senior Player €80 if paid before 14 Feb.

Registration Night: 9 Feb. 7.30pm to 9pm.

Operation Transformation Couch to 5k being held in conjunction with County Carlow Sports Partnership commencing on Tuesday nights at 7pm. Starting Tuesday 16 Jan and continues each Tuesday and Friday nights for 10 weeks. Cost €2 per night.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 6 - 10 - 12 - 23

Match Three: win or share €150

Ger Clarke, Rathvilly

6 - 9 - 10 - 12

Brigid +Reg, Ladystown, Rathvilly

5 - 6 - 10 - 12

Mike Byrne, 9 Fr Cullen Terrace, Rathvilly

6 - 10 - 18 - 23

Promoters` prize Michael Kehoe.

Next draw on Monday, January 15th 2018. **Jackpot €8,900**

U11 Trip To Blackpool Tournament Fund Raiser: Golden Goals Results -

Match 3: Man City v West Ham (44th minute), winner Jamie Doyle c/o Clive Lambe;

Match 4: Man Utd v Man City (43th minute), winner Mick Stynes, Tullow;

Match 5: Liverpool v Everton (42nd minute), winner Brian Doyle c/o Clive Lambe;

Match 6: Bournemouth v Liverpool (20th minute), winner Emma Kehoe, Rathmore.

ZUMBA CLASS

Zumba Classes continue each Monday night at 7.30 p.m. in the Phoenix Centre. €5 per class.

PARKRUN TULLOW

This FREE event continues every Saturday morning at 9:30 in Rathwood. Just register for free on www.parkrun.ie and print your barcode. You can run, jog, walk or stroll. Check out our facebook page for more information.

DUFFY COACH HIRE

- Daniel O'Donnell Concert – 15/16th August 2018 includes two nights B&B - €350.
- Pilgrimage to Medjugorje – Monday 26th March 2018 - €625.

Further details from Duffy Coach Hire 059 6471681 or 087 2543235.