#### WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

In preparation for this celebration of family, there will be a Reflection Session on the Thoughts of Pope Francis on "Love in the Family – The Joy of Love"

And an opportunity for all of us to pray together for our families on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 8pm in Tullow Church. All welcome. "No family drops down from heaven Perfectly formed, Families need constantly to grow and Mature in the ability to love"

<u>Volunteers Needed</u> – The Eist Cancer Support Centre is having its Annual Flag Day Collections on Friday 18th, Saturday, 19th and Sunday 20th May. We would greatly appreciate it if you could give two hours of your time. Please contact us at 059 9139684.

#### **CAN CARE 4 LIVING**

The Charitable Organisation CanCare4Living (<a href="www.cancare4living.ie">www.cancare4living.ie</a>) is hosting an important meeting for survivors of childhood and adolescent cancer in the Talbot Hotel Carlow on Thursday May 3rd from 5.30 – 7.30 p.m.

#### IRISH KIDNEY ASSOCIATION

A big thank you to everyone who contributed to our recent Organ Donor Awareness Week. The Irish Kidney Association's charitable activities include the provision of a 13 double bedroom free accommodation facility for patients and their families in the grounds of Beaumont Hospital. Free holiday centres located in Tramore and Tralee, together with patient advocacy, advice, financial aid and rehabilitative health promotion through sport and the provision of kidney patient information and education. The Irish Kidney Association is the national organisation charged with the promotion and distribution of the organ donor card in Ireland, on behalf of Organ Donation Transplant Ireland.

## "WALKING TOGETHER AS FAMILIES TODAY"

Gathering in Preparation for the World Meeting of Families. St Patrick's College, Maynooth, 19-20 June 2018. Keynote Speakers: Prof. Julie Hanlon Rubio (St Louis University, Missouri) & Prof. Martin M. Lintner (Philosophisch-Theologische Hochschule Brixen). Workshops on "Living the Gospel of the Family" (Bairbre Cahill, writer and facilitator); "Real Families, Real Issues, Real Responses" (Mary Johnston, ACCORD); "Families: A Global Perspective" (Colm Hogan, Trócaire); "Conscience and Moral Discernment" (Martin Lintner). Discussion facilitated by Anne Codd. Registration Fee: €15 (including lunch & teas/coffees). Tickets available on Eventbrite <a href="www.eventbrite.ie">www.eventbrite.ie</a> (search under "Walking Together as Families Today"). Contact Aoife at <a href="majorated specialevents@spcm.ie">spccialevents@spcm.ie</a>

## **CARLOW CHORAL SOCIETY**

Carlow Choral Society presents BRAHMS Ein Deutsches Requiem on Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup> 2018 in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow at 8 p.m.

Marlborough Baroque Orchestra; Lynda Lee soprano; Christopher Cull baritone; Blanaid Murphy conductor. Tickets €20 – children free. Tickets available from Rathvilly Parish Office – 059 9161114 or via Eventbrite.ie

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## RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

## **NEWSLETTER**

St. Brigid's St. Patrick's The Assumption Talbotstown Rathvilly Tynock 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Months Mind Mass for Mick Curran, St. Patrick's Park this Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> April.

## **ANNIVERSARY MASSES**

# Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30 p.m.

Mary & David Byrne, Patrickswell
Richard Bolger, Ballybit
William Reilly, Collins Park
Elizabeth & Michael McGrath

Maureen & Joe Deering, Patrickswell

## Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 p.m.

Bill & Mary Doyle, Coole Elizabeth & Michael Kelly, Williamstown

Clarke Family, Williamstown
Jack Doyle, Coole
Stephen & Maura Murphy, Bough
Tom & Mary Coleman

Michael Byrne, Ricketstown
Teresa O'Toole, Bough
Paddy O'Toole, USA
Peggy O'Toole Eccles

Jack Keogh, Phelan Street Michael Byrne, Collins Park
Dermot Byrne, Arklow Annastatia & James Byrne

Tom & Nancy O'Toole

John & Maureen Byrne, Williamstown and deceased family members

## **MASS TIMES THIS WEEK**

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

First Friday – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession at 7 p.m. Rosary at 7.15 p.m. Mass at 7.30 p.m.

**HOUSEBOUND** - The housebound will receive their visit on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> May.

# World Meeting of Families and Visit of Pope Francis – 21-26<sup>th</sup> August 2018

We are delighted to welcome Hannah Evans from the National Committee to our Masses this Saturday to tell us more about the planned events for the World Meeting of Families and how you can get involved. Hannah will explain how you can partake, either as a volunteer or a host, or just to attend any of the events or the Papal Mass. This is truly an exciting opportunity for us all and we are blest to have Hannah come to us to tell us more about it.

Our Parish have reserved a Bus for Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August to travel to the Phoenix Park for the Mass with His Holiness Pope Francis. Expressions of interest are welcome. Please contact the Parish Office – 059 9161114. Details of tickets to follow.

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK, SUNDAY 3rd JUNE

#### VIATORES CHRISTI

Angela Temple (lay missionary in Kenya) will speak at all Masses next weekend. There will be a Collection taken up after Holy Communion for the Missions.

#### WMOF ICON OF THE HOLY FAMILY COMES TO KILDARE AND LEIGHLIN

People can visit the WMOF Icon, recently blessed in Rome by Pope Francis, in Carlow Cathedral this weekend. Prayer petitions can be left with the Icon and they will be brought to the World Meeting of Families in August.

The Closing Ceremony of the Icon will be on Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> April at 12 Noon.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The family of the late Mick Curran wish to express their sincere thanks for the support and sympathy received after their recent sad loss. Thank you to everyone who called to the house, sent Mass Cards, flowers and attended Dads Funeral Mass and Burial. Thank you to all our relatives, friends and neighbours who helped and supported us at this difficult time. Thanks to Andrea, Dr. Gallagher and staff, also thanks to the staff in Coronary Care Unit at St. Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny for the excellent care dad received. Thanks to Fr. McEvoy, Gillian and all who participated in dads Funeral Mass. Thanks to the Undertakers John Halligan and Staff for their kindness and professionalism. As it is impossible to thank everyone individually we trust this acknowledgement will be accepted by all with our sincere gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

#### **THANK YOU**

Trish Ryan would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts, good wishes, get well cards and prayers during her recent illness. It was very much appreciated. As a token of sincere gratitude, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

# WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 21st & 22nd April, 2018

Offertory Collection €379.67 Envelope Collection €229.38 Many thanks.

# WEEK 29th April - 6th May

Altar Servers – Kian Austin, Peter Carroll, Rory Gavin, J.D. Dooley.

## Church Readers -

Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> May – Lilly Keogh, Esther Murphy.

Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> May – Dawn Cheasty, Sophie Kelly.

## Ministers of the Eucharist -

Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> May – Ann Doyle, Tommy & Sadie Donovan.

Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> May – Mary Manley, Angela Byrne, Anne Marie Kehoe.

## GOSPEL READINGS 29th April – 6th May

Sunday: Jn 15: 1-8 Mon: Jn 14: 21-26 Tues: Jn 14: 27-31 Wed: Jn 15: 1-8 Thurs: Jn 15: 6-14 Fri: Jn 15: 12-17

Sat: Jn 15: 18-21 Sunday: Jn 15: 9-17

#### LAND OF SAINTS & SCHOLARS

The Story of the Catholic Church in Ireland – Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin Edition, available from the Parish Office at a reduced price of €15 each.

#### RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH DRAW

Results – Week 1 - 24<sup>th</sup> April 2018

<b>Prizes</b>	Winner	Promoter
€200	Ciaran Byrne, Kiltegan.	Ann Grant Byrne.
€100	Una Keating, Porchavodda	Mary Kelly.
€100	Evelyn Lawlor, Tynock	Margaret Harmon.
€100	Rebekah Doyle Hughes	Eithne Condon.
€50	Rose Whelan, Ballybit	Kitty Kennedy.
€50	Cameron Doyle, Fr. Cullen Tce.	Geraldine Doyle.
€20	Ann Hilliard, Bortlemore	Mary Kelly.
€20	Robert & Shirley Darby, Porchavodda	Ann Murphy.
€20	Una Keating, Porchavodda	Mary Kelly.

Promoters Prize €20 – Mary Kelly.

#### 4 Prizes of €50 each for fully paid up members

Marie Lawlor Ballybit; Peter Kearns Carlow; Louisa Kelly Rathvinden;

Nat Pearson Old Kiltegan.

Next draw on **Tuesday**, **8**<sup>th</sup> **May at 7.30 p.m.** in the Meeting Room. If you would like to join the draw and haven't already done so, please contact the parish office.

## LOUGH DERG PILGRIMAGE

Three Day Pilgrimage takes place from Monday 18<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Contact Sophie 087 1302587 or the Parish Office 059 9161114.

## **SLANEY ROVERS A.F. C.**

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 6 - 9 - 19 - 23

Match Three: win or share €150

Pat Doyle, Slaney Bank, Rathvilly
Dan O Connor, Waterstown
Emma and Peter Kehoe c/o Lawlors

Michael Sibbald, Monavothe
John Byrne, 22 Fr. Cullen Terrace
Mary Bolger, The Square, Rathvilly

Promoters` prize: Josephine Gardiner.

Next draw on Monday, April 30th 2018. Jackpot €10,400

## **Last Game Of The Season And It's A Final**

Having defeated Castle Rangers in a penalty shootout recently, Slaney advance to the divisional Cup final where their opponents will be league champions Dolmen Celtic who are hot favourite's to complete the league and cup double. Action kicks off at the Meadows, Graiguecullen on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 5pm.

## **RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB**

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 5-10-21-28

Match 3 win or share €150

Dawn Keogh Bough 5-10-28-30 Kevin McCall

Promoters Prize €20 Mick Kehoe

Next draw 1 May 2018 in Molloy's Bar. **Jackpot** € 6,800

IRISH CATHOLIC – available in the Church each week for €1.80