

TOWARDS PEACE

Towards Peace is a service offering spiritual support to those who have experienced abuse perpetrated by Church personnel, individually or institutionally. The vision of Towards Peace is to provide a safe supportive space for people and their families, whose spiritual life has been damaged by abuse. It is also a response to the continually growing understanding of the spiritual impact of the trauma of abuse. Towards Peace provides spiritual support through one-to-one spiritual direction sessions, with a qualified spiritual companion.

If you have been abused and would like a space to reflect on the impact of the trauma of abuse on your own relationship with God and spirituality, Towards Peace is here for you. www.towardspeace.ie Tel: 01 505 3028. Mobile: 086 7710533

Up to twelve sessions are available and there is no fee.

ST. PATRICK'S WEEKEND

Social Dance in Kiltegan Hall on Saturday 16th March 2019

Music by: The Wicklow Man. Admission €8 in aid of Tinkerbell Pre-School.

Special Dublin/Kildare Christmas Pilgrimage Group to the Holy Land

Also Special Dublin/Kildare Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 31st October for Halloween 8 nights. Taking in Bethlehem, Jerusalem Mount Tabor, Cana, Nazareth, Jericho, River Jordan, Dead Sea and Sea of Galilee.

Also Special Dublin/Kildare Fatima/Lisbon Pilgrimage for Feast Day of Saint Anthony 9th/14th June. Full Day trip to Lisbon Prayers, Mass and Hungarian Stations of the Cross in Fatima. Contact James Treacy 0860572216 for details.

Upcoming Courses in Hacketstown starting March 2019

The Carlow Catalyst Programme for Women is now looking for women interested in taking part in the following introductory hobby courses to be held in the Core Centre, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow. Quilling (Paper based craft) Time For You – Holistic Health Classes will be delivered in the morning for 2 hours over a 6 week period. The proposed start date for these courses is the week beginning the 24th of March 2019. These courses are available at no cost to those who fit the criteria. To check eligibility or to find out more please contact: Orlaith or Sinead St. Catherine's Community Services, St. Joseph's Road, Carlow. Tel: 059 9138700, (086) 8678411, (086) 4147511 Email: orlaithm@catherines.ie, Web: www.catherines.ie

CARER WANTED

A Rathvilly lady is seeking a Carer in conjunction with her home help. The Carer should be eligible for Carers Allowance Payment through the Department of Social & Family Affairs: www.welfare.ie If interested please contact 089 6042139.

Parish Office – Mon-Fri: 10 am – 1 pm - 059 9161114

Email: office@rathvillykilteganparish.ie Website: www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

Local Safeguarding Representatives: Eoin Cheasty 087 2193941 Mary Phelan 059 6473397

Elizabeth Austin 089 4605256 David Carton 087 7755306

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms Joan Treacy - Email: dlp@kandle.ie Tel: 085-802163

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

9th & 10th March, 2019

First Sunday of Lent

Pray for Willie Curry, Luton and formerly Waterstown whose funeral took place in Luton on Friday, 8th March. May he Rest in Peace.

Saturday, 9th March at 7.30 p.m.

Months Mind Mass for Peter Murphy, Ladystown this Saturday, 9th March at 7.30 p.m.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Ann Byrne, Knocklishen

Mick & Dan Abbott, Ballyoliver

Paddy Doyle, Foxcover

Mary & Jack Nolan, Ballyoliver and deceased family members

William Smith, Coole

Michael Kane, Bough

Patrick Nolan, Rathmore

Saturday, 16th March at 7.30 p.m.

Mick Curran, St. Patrick's Park – 1st Anniversary

Madeline Curran, St. Patrick's Park

Mary Curran, Ballybit

Pat Nolan, Mount Kelly

Thomas & Catherine Faulkner, Garretstown

James & Elizabeth Dowling, Knocklishen

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday – Mass at 9.00 a.m.

Friday, 15th March – Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. Mass at 7.30 p.m.

St. Patrick's Novena - 9th – 17th March

Friday, 22nd March – Stations of the Cross in Tynock Church at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, 29th March – Evening Prayer in Rathvilly at 7.30 p.m.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 2nd & 3rd March, 2019

Offertory Collection €229.32. Envelope Collection €405.10. Many thanks.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, 14th March – Adoration from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Friday, 15th March – Adoration from 2.00 – 7.30 p.m.

Please note change of time for Thursday.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

The 3rd Session of the Confirmation Programme takes place on Tuesday, 12th March at **8.00 p.m.** in Rathvilly NS for all children and their parents.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG – 15th – 17th July, 2019.

The Irish Catholic Newspaper is available each week at a cost of €2.

NINE DAY PRAYER TO ST. PATRICK

A leaflet is available in the Church with the Novena in honour of Saint Patrick, National and Parish Patron. St. Patrick is the principal patron of our Parish. St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly has been serving our Parish since 1888, over 130 years of worship. The Leaflet is laid out for the dates 9 – 17th March, but you can select any nine days.

GOSPEL READINGS – 10th– 17th March, 2019

Sunday: Lk 4: 1-13 Mon: Mt 25: 31-46 Tues: Mt 6: 7-15
Wed: Lk 11: 29-32 Thurs: Mt 7: 7-12 Fri: Mt 5: 20-26
Sat: Mt 5: 43-48 Sunday: Mt 13:24-32

WEEK – 10th – 17th March

Altar Servers – Anna & Vena Doyle, Ayla & Eve McLoughlin.

Church Readers –

Saturday, 16th March – Anne Marie Kehoe, Máire Bowes.

Sunday, 17th March – Parents of First Holy Communion Children.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion –

Saturday, 16th March – Liz Austin, Rita Balfe, Alex Balfe Vicic.

Sunday, 17th March – Lauren Faulkner, Sophie Kelly, Catherine Carroll.

POSITION OF SACRISTAN

This position is still vacant and I invite expressions of interest from anyone who might like to undertake this role which is truly important in serving the Parish community. Applications should be made in writing or by email and directed to Fr. McEvoy, Parochial House. Phone 059 9161114/ 086 3232403 or email jmce51@gmail.com

THINKING OF WHAT TO DO FOR LENT?

Lenten Programme announced for parishes across Kildare and Leighlin Diocese
Bishop Denis is inviting all of us to take this time of Lent to reflect on our celebration of the Mass and to renew our own appreciation of the Sunday Mass as the highpoint of our Christian life. Over the coming weeks a whole suite of resources will be available on www.kandle.ie for parishes and parishioners to draw upon. Look out for iCatholic videos, handouts for take home reading, as well as a parish based four night programme exploring the Mass. This will be hosted by a number of parishes across the diocese and is open to everyone. **The nearest venue to us is: Baltinglass Parish Centre – Tuesday, March 19th/26th and April 2nd/9th from 7.30 – 9 p.m.** Let's make this Lent make a difference!

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 18 - 24 - 26 - 27

Match Three: win or share €150

Trish Harmon, Kiltegan

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Emma & Peter c/o Lawlors

Shirley Jackson, Hacketstown

Margaret Smith, Knocklishen, Rathvilly

Promoter` prize Catherine Deering.

Next draw on Monday, March 11th. 2019. **Jackpot €3,900**

A Date for Your Diary!

Chrism Mass 2019 Monday, April 15, 7:30 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow. Bishop Denis warmly invites parishioners from across the diocese to join him for this Mass during which the priests of the diocese will renew their priestly promises and the Oil of Catechumens, Oil of the Sick and Chrism will be blessed and consecrated for use in parishes in the coming year.

Rathvilly Foroige have recently visited the County Carlow Chambers.

We would like to thank the Cathaoirleach of the Council, Cllr. Brian O'Donoghue, former Rathvilly Foroige member, who gave us a tour of the building and we had our weekly meeting in the chambers which was a great experience.

We also went bowling in the Dome and enjoyed some food afterwards.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 2-6-20-22

Match 3 win or share €150

Zenita Sibbald Woodgrove 5-6-20-22

Jenny Donegan

Robyn & Antoinette Kelly Rathvilly 2-16-20-22

Paul Kelly

Nuala & Susie c/o Nuala Rathvilly 2-12-20-22

Jenny Donegan

Promoters Prize €20

Mary B. Kelly

Next draw 12 March 2019 in Molloy's Bar.

Jackpot €10,000

COMMUNITY GAMES

Best of luck to our Handwriting competitors, U10, U12 & U14 draughts teams and U16 boys basketball teams who are all in action in the County Finals this weekend.

St Patrick's Day fundraising draw: we are holding a draw to raise money for new singlets for the children, with a hotel voucher, luxury hamper etc as prizes. Cards are in businesses around the village and are available from committee members.

National Tree week takes place from 31st March to – 7th April 2019.

Carlow County Council are hosting a FREE workshop entitled "The wonderful Willow Tree" which looks at the many species and uses of Willow, to support our wildlife and to enhance your garden or open space. The Workshop takes place on Thursday 4th April in St. Mary's Community House, Haymarket, Carlow from 10am -12noon. For further information contact Jannette O'Brien 059-9136232

CARLOW COUNTY MUSEUM

Seachtain na Gaeilge – Caint, Comhrá agus Scannáin. Every Wednesday at 10.30am Glór Cheatharlach host an Irish conversation gathering for adults. For Seachtain na Gaeilge they will be showing a special bi-lingual screening of short Irish/English language films @10.30 in Carlow County Museum. All levels of Irish are welcome.

Exhibition "St. Willibrord, Patron Saint of Luxembourg, First Apostle of the Netherlands, and his County Carlow Connection" is a special exhibition in Carlow County Museum. St. Willibrord was trained and ordained in County Carlow in the 7th Century and he is one of Europe's most important Saints. Carlow County Museum, College Street, Carlow Town, has free admission, opened Mon - Sat 10.00am - 4.30pm.