

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.

CARLOW LIONS CLUB ANNUAL BOOK SALE

Starts 4th March 2019 at usual location beside Paul White's Pharmacy, Tullow Street, Carlow from 10am to 6pm. Your usual custom and donation of books would be very much appreciated. For enquiries contact Frank Mulvey on 087 2673748.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 2-25-26-28 - 5 Lucky Dips.

Alannah Kavanagh Mountkelly	Sean Kavanagh
Saoirse Gibbons Station Rd.	Collette & Helen
Laurence Corcoran Ballyhackett	Lar Corcoran
Alannah c/o Bruno's	Bruno's
Pat Doyle Slaney Bank	Collette & Helen

Promoters Prize €20 - Mick Kehoe. Next draw 5 March in Molloy's. **Jackpot €10,000**

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 8 - 15 - 23 - 27

Match Three: win or share €150

Tom Doyle Main Street, Hacketstown 8 - 9 - 15 - 23

Promoter's prize Bruno's Takeaway. Next draw on March 4th. 2019. **Jackpot €3,800**

RATHVILLY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP A.G.M

Rathvilly Community Development Group will be holding their A.G.M. on Wednesday the 13th of March at 7.30 pm in the Phoenix Centre. We invite everyone to come along and see what our group is all about and possibly get involved in any capacity you feel comfortable with. Light refreshments will be provided, hope to see you there.

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.

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: 085-8021633

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

2nd & 3rd March, 2019

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Assumption
Tynock**

Pray for Fr. Jack Rodgers, St. Patrick's, Kiltegan, Cappamore, Limerick and Portarlinton, Laois whose Funeral took place in Kiltegan on Thursday.

Pray for Andy Smith, London and formerly Coole, whose Funeral Mass will be celebrated this Monday, 4th March in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly at 11 a.m. May they Rest in Peace.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 2nd March at 7.30 p.m.

Denis Rahilly, Kevin Barry Road	Mary Kelly, Knockboy
James O'Toole, Bough	James Byrne, Tobinstown
Nan & Jim Kennedy, St. Patrick's Park	Joe & Margaret Raftery
Peter Carroll, Knocklishen and deceased members of the Carroll family, Clonegal	
Nan Sibbald, Phelan Street and deceased members of the Sibbald family	
Annie & Johnny Dempsey, Ricketstown	

Saturday, 9th March at 7.30 p.m.

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

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Ann Byrne, Knocklishen	William Smith, Coole
Mick & Dan Abbott, Ballyoliver	Michael Kane, Bough
Paddy Doyle, Foxcover	Patrick Nolan, Rathmore
Mary & Jack Nolan, Ballyoliver and deceased family members	

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Ash Wednesday – Mass at 9.30 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Mass in Tynock Church at 10 am.

Friday– Confessions 7 p.m. Mass at 7.30 p.m.

Friday - Stations of the Cross in Talbotstown Church at 7.30 p.m.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 23rd & 24th February 2019

Offertory Collection €274.43. Envelope Collection €266.55. Many thanks.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

The 2nd Session of the Confirmation Programme takes place on Tuesday, 5th March at **8.00 p.m.** in Rathvilly NS for all children and their parents.

HOUSEBOUND

The housebound will receive their March visit on **Friday, 8th March, 2019.** If any family would like a visit for a family member please contact the Parish Office.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday, 7th March – Adoration from 10 a.m. – 12 Noon.

Friday, 8th March – Adoration from 2.00 – 7.30 p.m.

A meeting will be held after 7.30 pm Mass in the Church on Ash Wednesday to decide how to proceed forward with Adoration. As it stands we do not have the commitment necessary to sustain adoration at the current hours. If we do not have a minimum of at least two names per hour we cannot have adoration, therefore we may have to look at reducing the hours.

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

TRÓCAIRE LENTEN CAMPAIGN 2019

Until Love Conquers Fear – Your 2019 Guide to Lenten Giving – get to know María, Patricia, Maya, and their families . . learn about their lives . . and see how your kind support will help. In some places, people still live in fear that their land . . their homes . . their families . . will be taken away from them. And it just isn't right. This Lent, please help love conquer that fear. Please take home a Trócaire Box and learn how your Love can conquer fear for families in need worldwide.

Lent 2019 highlights the different ways land is stolen from vulnerable people – by corporate land grabs, or simply because they are women. Lent 2019 asks people in Ireland to show their love by supporting people in the world's poorest countries who are often defenceless against these attacks. This Lent you can help the world's poorest people whose land and futures are being stolen from them. + Donations to Trócaire's Lenten appeal will help to provide safety to thousands of families who are living in fear of their homes and land being stolen from them. + Your support this Lent will allow Trócaire to bring relief and support to over two million of the world's most vulnerable people. + Trócaire's Lenten Appeal is about people in Ireland coming together to show love and support for people facing fear in the developing world. See trocaire.ie.

THE TRÓCAIRE ROMERO FAMILY PROGRAMME

An opportunity for you and your family to learn about global justice issues and how families live around the world. To complete this free programme, download your 'Family Journal' at: www.trocaire.org

WEEK – 3rd - 10th March

Altar Servers – Aoibheann Curry, Peter Carroll, Emily & Peter Lawlor.

Church Readers –

Saturday, 9th March – Peadar Doyle, Keira Reilly.

Sunday, 10th March – Anna & Louise Colgan.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion –

Saturday, 9th March – Anne Marie Kehoe, Lauren Doyle, Breda Reilly.

Sunday, 10th March – Laz Cullen, Angela Byrne, Eithne Molloy.

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

GOSPEL READINGS - 3rd – 10th March, 2019

Sunday: Lk 6: 39-45

Mon: Mk 10: 17-27

Tues: Mk 10: 28-31

Wed: Mk 6: 1-6, 16-18

Thurs: Lk 9: 22-25

Fri: Mt 9: 14-15

Sat: Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Lk 4: 1-13

DIOCESAN ADORATION COMMITTEE

Invite you to a day of prayer held in Mount Saint Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre Killenard, Co. Laois. on Saturday 9th. March 2019 to begin at 9:45 am. This is a follow up of our prayer day held in Portlaoise Parish Centre last year. Refreshments served.

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!

ASH WEDNESDAY – Day of Fast and Abstinence

Regulations for Fasting in Lent. As Catholics we are asked to abstain from meat and to fast on two days in the year, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means that one full meatless meal can be eaten in the day. Two other meatless meals may be taken to maintain strength but together they should not exceed one full meal. Liquids, including milk and fruit juice, may be taken between meals. The fasting regulation applies to all Catholics aged 18 to 59 while those aged fourteen and above are asked to abstain from meat. Some people are not required to fast; these include those who are sick, pregnant or nursing women and manual labourers according to need. In the past, Irish Catholics were required to abstain from meat every Friday. While still not a requirement, the Irish Bishops' Conference has suggested it as a form of Friday Penance during Lent.

RATHVILLY TIDY TOWNS

The AGM of Rathvilly Tidy Towns Committee will be held on Monday, 4th March at 7.30 p.m. in the Phoenix Centre. All are welcome. If you have an interest in the way our beautiful village is maintained or improved this is a great opportunity to be a committee member. We look forward to seeing you there.

COMMUNITY GAMES

Swimming - Well done to Mischa and Layla Cassells who took part in the county swimming finals. Congratulations to Mischa who was placed 4th in u14 freestyle.

Best of luck to our U16 boys basketball team who are in action next weekend in the County finals. Best of luck to our entrants in the Handwriting County Finals next weekend.

Best of luck to our Draughts teams who are also in action next weekend. It has been a while since Area 7 have entered teams in the draughts county finals so we would like to thank Megan and Arthur and everyone else who helped to prepare the teams.

Art Area finals will be held on Sat 9th March 3-5pm. Venue to be confirmed. €2 per child.

If your child is interested in taking part and hasn't registered for 2019, we will have registration forms available on the day. €5 per child or €10 per family.