

LOVE AND MERCY: Faustina – IMC Cinema

On 9th & 16th December at 8.30 p.m. IMC Cinema in Carlow will be showing 'Love and Mercy: Faustina'. As many know, the Divine Mercy is a devotion to Jesus Christ associated with the apparitions of Jesus to Sr. Faustina in Poland in the 1930s.

RATHVILLY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Carols by Candlelight – Sunday, 22nd December at 7 p.m.

Our Carols by Candlelight rehearsals are in full swing. If you play an instrument or enjoy singing or simply want to spread some Christmas cheer come along and take part, Rehearsals are being held every Tuesday and Thursday at 7 pm in the Phoenix Centre, everyone is welcome. Final date for new attendees will be Monday 2nd December to give everyone a chance to learn songs etc... Please contact 087 8348 717 for further information.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Carlow Older Persons Forum Annual Christmas Party, Tuesday 10th December, 11am-1pm, Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow. All welcome RSVP Text: 089-4062356 or email info@carlowolderpersonsforum.com

BALTINGLASS HOSPITAL

Light up a light for your loved one is back again this year. Sponsor a light on the Christmas Tree in the grounds of Baltinglass Hospital. Light up a light Cards are available in shops in Baltinglass. Hang the cards on your own Christmas tree and join us for the light up the tree Ceremony on Sunday 8th December at 2 p.m. at Baltinglass Hospital. Christmas Carols and tea and mince pies. A lovely family occasion.

CARLOW FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP - YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Drugs and Alcohol abuse effects families regardless of status in life. You did not cause it, you can't control it and you can't cure it. Help is available for those who live with this dreadful disease call 085 7872730.

LOYOLA INSTITUTE PUBLIC EVENTS 2020

A series of events are being held in the Loyola Institute, Trinity College Dublin in 2020 and are open to the public.

Thursday 16th January – “Religious Literacy: Challenges for Today” Day long colloquium.

Friday 31st January – The Loyola Institute Lecture “Christian Hope facing Secular Fatalism”

Friday 8th May – “Conscience in an Uncertain Age: Decision making in the Age of Google”

1st – 4th July – International Conference “The Call of Literature: Theology, Philosophy and Literature in Conversation.

More details on www.tcd.ie/loyola-institute or by phoning 01-8964790

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

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

30th November/1st December, 2019

First Sunday of Advent

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 30th November at 7.30 p.m.

Michael Curry, Ballybit

George Gahan, Lisnavagh

Michael Loughnane, Dublin

Seamus Williams, Coolmanagh

John Colgan, Rathdaniel

Joe Dempsey, Rathvilly

Cora Cullen, Knockavagh

Christopher Doyle, Knockavagh

Jim Johnson & The Johnson Family, Phelan Street

Paddy O'Neill, Phelan Street

Nancy Malee, Phelan Street

Anna McEvoy, Ballyroan

Saturday, 7th December at 7.30 p.m.

Michéal & Elizabeth Deering, Ballbit

Luke & Bridget Kearns, Rathvilly

Marie Therese Kearns, Rathvilly

Myles Carson, Raheendaw

Matthew & Christina Hanly, Williamstown

Matthew Hanly, Clondalkin

Patrick Smith, Lisnavagh & Northampton

John St. Ledger, Waterstown

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

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

Friday, 6th December – Mass at 7.30 p.m.

HOUSEBOUND

The housebound will receive their December visit on Friday, 6th December. If any family would like a visit for a family member please contact the Parish Office.

CONFIRMATION

Enrolment for Confirmation takes place this Sunday, 1st December at 11.00 a.m.

All candidates are requested to attend.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION –Thursday 10.00 –11.00 a.m. Friday 2.00 –7.30 p.m.

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

Offertory Collection €319.72. Envelope Collection €272.45. Many thanks.

ADVENT

Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight.

THE ADVENT WREATH

Placing four candles on green fronds has become a symbol of Advent in many Christian homes, especially in Germanic countries and in North America.

The Advent wreath, with the progressive lighting of its four candles, Sunday after Sunday, until the Solemnity of Christmas, is a recollection of the various stages of salvation history prior to Christ's coming and a symbol of the prophetic light gradually illuminating the long night prior to the rising of the Sun of justice.

GOSPEL READINGS – 1st – 8th December , 2019

Sunday: Mt 24: 37-44 Mon: Mt 8: 5-11 Tues: Lk 10: 21-24
Wed: Mt 15: 29-37 Thurs: Mt 7: 21, 24-27 Fri: Mt 9: 27-31
Sat: Mt 9: 35-10:1, 6-8 Sunday: Mt 3: 1-12

WEEK – 1st – 8th December, 2019

Altar Servers – Anna & Vena Doyle, Saoirse Gibbons, Kirsten Doyle.

Church Readers –

Saturday, 7th December – Dawn Cheasty, Elizabeth Fitzpatrick.

Sunday, 8th December – Sophie Kelly, Catherine Carroll.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion –

Saturday, 7th December – Tommy & Sadie Donovan, Máire Bowes.

Sunday, 8th December – Laz Cullen, Michael Kehoe, Lauren Faulkner.

CELTIC BROTHERS CONCERT

Baltinglass Hospital Fundraiser in aid of installing a Multi Sensory Room

welcomes Christmas with “Celtic Brothers” starring The Willoughby's on Sunday 8th December at 8 p.m. in **Tynock Church**. Limited Tickets at €20 each.

Contact Mary 083 8272963, John Joe 087 2668300 or Maebh 086 8061654 or email: multisensoryconcert@gmail.com

ST VINCENT de PAUL – Rathvilly/Kiltegan Conference

SVP will be conducting their Annual Collection on the 7th and 8th of December.

All funds raised will be spent in this community helping those who need it most with food, heating and education costs. Each year our conference makes numerous visits to families and people in need in this community. We rely entirely on the support of you, the generous parishioners of Rathvilly Kiltegan Parish.

Thank you in advance for your continued support.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY, Rathvilly/Kiltegan - 083 1494412

NOVELTY BINGO

Novelty Bingo in aid of St Vincent de Paul, Rathvilly will be held on Sunday, 8th December at 3 p.m. in the Phoenix Centre. €5 including afternoon tea. €2.50 for children. All welcome.

CHILDMINDER

Childminder wanted for 2 days, school drops & collections – 086 8063215.

CARLOW CHORAL SOCIETY

JOY TO THE WORLD – Saturday, 14th December at 8 p.m. in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow.

A Celebration of Christmas featuring James Whitbourn's fabulous Missa Carolae plus seasonal favourites and Sing-Along Carols with the Dublin Brass Ensemble and Organ. Tickets €20 – children Free - available from Rathvilly Parish Office 9161114 or online at Eventbrite.ie or email: carlowchoralsociety@gmail.com

MESSENGER

If you receive the Sacred Heart Messenger each month, please collect your December copy in the Sacristy.

KILTEGAN NATIONAL SCHOOL

Open Evening in Kiltegan National School on Wednesday December 4th 6.00pm – 7.30pm - Tea/Biscuits provided – fun for all – along with the opportunity to view our school and meet our school community.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 2 - 11 - 15 - 23

Match Three: win or share €150

Elisha Ryan, Kiltegan

2 - 8 - 11 - 23

Andrew Bolger, Bough

3 - 11 - 15 - 23

Promoter prize's Martin Curran.

Next draw on Monday, Dec. 2nd. 2019. **Jackpot €7,700**

RATHVILLY G.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 8-19-21-24

Match 3 win or share €150

Seamus McGuirk Ricketstown 4-8-19-24

P. McGuirk

Promoters Prize €20

Ed. Brennan

Next draw 3 Dec. 2019 in Molloy's Bar. **Jackpot €10,000.**

COMMUNITY GAMES

The committee would like to thank everyone who came out to celebrate the 21st year since revival of the games in Area 7. It was great to have TJ Kearns and Brian O Donoghue on hand to present the children who represented us at National level with their trophies. Here's to many more years of Community games in Rathvilly.