PRAYER TO SAINTS JOACHIM AND ANNE

O glorious Saints Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of the Most High! Great indeed is our Lord's affection for you. We honour your faithfulness in marriage, and your openness to god's hidden plan. It was from your marital embrace that the Spirit fashioned your fair daughter Mary to be sinless; the dawning of a new creation awakening from her Immaculate Conception. It was in your family that she learned to love God and grow in every virtue. By a life of obedience to the Law of God lived in your home, Mary was prepared to receive the Eternal Word into her heart and into her womb. From your tender love Mary learned a motherhood that knew no bounds, and by the example of your married life, Mary knew what it was to be a faithful wife to Joseph, her most chaste spouse. O Saints Anne and Joachim, great indeed are you who gave life to the Mother of our Saviour! It pleased God to create from your union, a woman freed from the stain of sin, by the saving death of the son she had not yet conceived. Dearest Saints Joachim and Anne, pray that our families may grow in holiness and that our homes may become grace filled sanctuaries of love. By your powerful intercession, protect and guide all grandparents that they may be great examples of faith. Amen.

I KNOW WHY THE SKY IS BLUE, DO YOU?

Celebrate the 200th birthday of the great Co. Carlow scientist John Tyndall and learn about his life and contributions to modern science. On Sunday, 2nd August (Tyndall's Birthday) an online lecture will be livestreamed featuring Martin Nevin, Sir Roland Jackson and Dr. Julie Donnelly from the Tyndall National Institute. This lecture is presented by Carlow County Museum and the Tyndall National Institute, and will be available to watch online at 2pm on Facebook. For more information visit www.carlowmuseum.ie

DUFFYS TOURS - Forward planning - dates for breakaway holidays: 16th August for 5 nights to Donegal 20th September for 5 nights to Westport Anyone interested in travelling please contact 087 2543235/059 6471681

YOUTH 2000 – SUMMER E-FESTIVAL

The E-Festival of 2020 (14th-16th August) will be unique, but hopefully one to be remembered for all the right reasons! We will adhere to all Church and government regulations regarding coronavirus; thus the content will be online, with as much as possible live-streamed and interactive. Register FREE on www.youth2000.ie

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's **The Assumption** St. Patrick's **Talbotstown Tynock** Rathvilly 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

25th & 26th July, 2020

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Rathvilly – Sat/Sun, 25th/26th July

David & Mary Byrne, Patrickswell James Doyle, Rathdaniel Joseph (Jo Jo) Dunne, Rathmore Kitty Nolan, Rathmore

Colin Coleman, The Green, Hacketstown Mary & Michael Doyle, Ballyhackett

Kathleen Burke, Bough and deceased family members John & Sarah Doyle, Bough and deceased family members

Martha Roberts, nee Smith, Dublin & Lisnavagh

Sat/Sun, 1st/2nd August

Brendan O'Grady, Rathmore

Mick Connors, 13 St. Patrick's Park and deceased family members

Mary, Thomas, Patrick & Kay Humphries, Rathdaniel and deceased family members

PARISH MASS TIMES 19th July - 25th July

Saturday, 25th July

Talbotstown at 6.00 p.m. Reader – Mary Kelly. Rathvilly at 7.30 p.m. Reader - Lilly Keogh.

Minister of Holy Communion – Catherine Carroll.

Sunday, 26th July

Tynock at 9.30 a.m. Reader – Muireann Gartland. Rathvilly at 11.00 a.m. Reader – Kian Austin.

Minister of Holy Communion – Liz Austin.

Saturday, 1st August

Tynock at 6.00 p.m. Reader – Nigel Byrne.

Sunday, 2nd August

Talbotstown at 9.30 a.m. Reader – Breedh Murphy.

RATHVILLY - Monday - Thursday - Mass at 10 a.m. Friday - Mass at 7.30 p.m. ROSARY – each day before Mass.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION –

Thursday after Mass -10.30 - 11.30 a.m. **Friday** -6.00 p.m. -7.00 p.m. We are appealing to people to commit to some time adoring the Blessed Sacrament.

CONFESSIONS will take place during Holy Hour in the Day Chapel adhering to 2 meter distance and Fr. McEvoy will wear a face mask.

In an effort to protect each other we recommend people to wear a face covering in the Church.

CONFIRMATION 2020

A meeting will take place on Monday, 27th July at 7.30 p.m. in Rathvilly Church for parents of children who will receive their Confirmation on Sat/Sun, 8th & 9th August in Rathvilly. Please wear face masks and observe social distance.

CONFIRMATION – Bishop Denis Nulty

I welcome the new three part video series, Come Holy Spirit, which has been developed to accompany parents and children still awaiting their Confirmation to prepare to receive the sacrament. I am conscious that this years preparation is vastly different than previous years and not at all what any of us expected. These videos will aim to bring a sense of togetherness and familiarity to sacramental preparation in your homes. I encourage you to watch the videos and follow along with the worksheets and be assured that I am holding each of you in my prayers. +Denis The first of the three part series can be watched on www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie or our parish facebook page or www.kandle.ie

FEAST DAY OF SAINTS JOACHIM AND ANNE

We honour all engaged and married couples this Sunday as we celebrate the Feast of St Joachim and Anne who are the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and grandparents of Jesus.

CEMETERY SUNDAY- 2nd August 2020

Our Annual Cemetery Mass in Rathvilly Cemetery will not take place this year due to Covid 19. The weekend Masses will be offered for everyone interred in the Cemetery. Fr McEvoy will bless all graves in the Cemetery at 1.00 p.m.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE UPKEEP OF THE CEMETERY

You can contribute to the Cemetery Collection by using your Cemetery envelope or one with your name and address marked Cemetery Collection. There will also be a donation bucket at the Cemetery entrance for people to contribute. Please adhere to social distance guidelines at all times.

GOSPEL READINGS – 25th July- 2nd August, 2020

 Sunday: Mt 13: 44-52
 Mon: Mt 13: 31-35
 Tues: Mt 13: 36-43

 Wed: Mt 13: 44-46
 Thurs: Mt 13: 47-53
 Fri: Mt 13: 54-58

Sat: Mt 14: 1-12 Sunday: Mt 14: 13-21

All the Sunday and Daily Mass Readings can be accessed from our website.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS - Sat/Sun, 18th/19th July, 2020

TROCÁIRE

Thank you to everyone who returned their Trócaire Box. If you have not returned your Trocáire Box yet, it can be handed into the Parish Office or brought to the Church at Mass times. Trócaire Boxes for 2020 are still available in our Churches.

COMMITTEE FORMATION

Meeting to establish a committee to develop Rathvilly Community Centre. This meeting will take place on Thursday 6th August at 8pm in St. Patrick's Church Rathvilly. Due to Covid 19 restrictions the maximum number of people that can attend this meeting is limited to 50. Face masks must be worn by all. Many thanks to the Parish Council for facilitating this meeting in the Church.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 6 - 10 - 16 - 18

Match Three: win or share €150

Mike Byrne, Father Cullen Terrace 6 - 10 - 18 - 23Martin Curran, Father Cullen Terrace 6 - 16 - 18 - 26Antoinette Kelly, Father Cullen Terrace 6 - 8 - 16 - 18

Promoter's prize Brian Curran.

Next draw will take place in the Phoenix Centre, Monday 27th July at 8pm with a jackpot value of €10,100. Tickets are on sale in Bruno's, Mace and the Post Office, as well as online https://clubforce.com Thank you for all your support.

Senior Team Took The Plaudits

At club's recent AGM, the senior team (O35) took the plaudits as they finished the season as div. 2 senior cup winners as well as league runners up. Ten goals from Declan Brennan earned him the golden boot award as league overall top scorer - so congratulations to all concerned.

Special Mention

With regard to upcoming developments, two people came in for special mention as the committee expressed their thanks to Mark Barrett for help with the upcoming ESB connections for the astro training area and Niall Corcoran for his help in securing a donation from Intel.

Unique - Two members of the same family ended up as top strikers in their respective teams. Declan Brennan finished up as top scorer with 10 goals in the senior division while son Callum went one better with 11 for the under 12 team. Definitely a case of like father, like son.

Finally - a big thank you to the committee of the Phoenix Centre for the use of their premises for the AGM etc.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.