

LEGION OF MARY

Annual Legion of Mary Acies Ceremony will be held virtually in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly on Sunday, 28th March at 3.00 p.m.

RATHVILLY COMMUNITY GARDEN

Looking for a New Challenge? Get out in the fresh air and work in your small bubbles or on your own. Build beds, plant flowers and vegetables, paint walls or murals, plant trees, build paths, weed, sweep, adopt a flower bed, marketing, website design, committee members, village history. "You don't have to be good to start . . . you just have to start to be good!" Please register your interest by phone 087 3724206 or email: inforathvillytidytowns@gmail.com

HACKETSTOWN SES CLG

Environmental Operatives required for Rathvilly, Clonmore, and Hacketstown. Environmental Operative, Rathvilly (3 positions) – Vacancy No. CES-2146082
Scheme Category: Scheme Location: Hacketstown, Rathvilly & Clonmore, Co. Carlow
Contract Type: Temporary Job Type: Community Employment
Hours per week: 19.5 Hours Salary Type: Community Employment Programme Rates
To check your eligibility please Contact: Mary Gahan – 059-9153481 / Brian Foley - 059-9153481 / David O'Hora - 045-491500 or contact Hacketstown Community Employment Scheme at 059-6472923 Closing Date Wednesday April 20th 2021

SUSTAINABLE ENERGIES COMMUNITIES NETWORK (SECN)

Webinar: Wednesday 24th March 2021 at 7pm via Zoom.

To join click below and complete registration.

<https://carlowdevelopment.ie/events/secn-webinar/>

Carlow County Development Partnership (CCDP) website link, just click on it to register your attendance to the webinar organised by CCDP to inform you of the Sustainable Energies Communities Network (SECN) programme facilitated and supported by CCDP. We are especially grateful to Old Leighlin and Myshall SECN communities, who have agreed to talk us through their journey and give us an insight into the highs and lows they experienced throughout this process. Look forward to seeing you all.

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Via our 'Listen Live Radio' link on our Facebook Page.

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

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

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie Parish Radio 104.3 fm

Local Safeguarding Reps: Eoin Cheasty Mary Phelan Elizabeth Austin David Carton

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Mr. Mick Daly - Email: dlp@kandle.ie

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

20th & 21st March, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Recent Deaths: Mary O'Shea, Kerry, sister of Gretta Carroll, Knocklishen
John McNally, Tobinstown

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 20th & 21st March

John Joe Doyle, Portrition, 1st Anniversary

John Foley, Bough

Shaun Leonard, Rahill

Jim Healy, Ricketstown

Kathleen Curry, Ballybit

Kathleen Lawlor, Phelan Street

Terry Redmond, Delacy Abbey

Sat/Sun, 27th & 28th March

Rita Conway, Straboe, 1st Anniversary

Olive Fahy, nee Corcoran, late of Ballyhackett, 1st Anniversary

Thomas & Margaret Corcoran, Ballyhackett

Deceased members of the Keatley Family, Castledermot

Liam Hayes, Tipperary

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY FOR QUIET PRAYER

Monday to Saturday – 10 a.m. – 5p.m.

Sunday – 12 Noon – 5 p.m.

MASSES THIS WEEK – will be celebrated behind Closed Doors

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

THE ROSARY is recited each day before Mass

The Rosary is a long chain that links heaven and earth. One end of it is in our hands and the other end is in the hands of the holy virgin.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Thursday 10.00 – 11.00 a.m.

The Church will be open for Adoration.

The **Stations of the Cross** will take place after Mass next Friday.

ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO

www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam

Radio 104.3 fm

BAPTISM - Individual Baptisms can take place with a maximum of six people attending. Contact the Parish Office for details.

CHRISM MASS INVITATION

You are invited to join Bishop Denis virtually from Carlow Cathedral for this year's Chrism Mass on the evening of Monday, March 29th at 7.30 p.m.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Family Scripture Sharing prepared by our Deacon Liam Dunne.
Copies available in the Church and on our Parish Website.

GOSPEL READINGS – 21st – 28th March, 2021

Sunday: Jn 12: 20-30 Mon: Jn 8: 1-11 Tues: Jn 8: 21-30
Wed: Jn 8: 31-42 Thurs: Lk 1: 26-38 Fri: Jn 10: 31-42
Sat: Jn 11: 45-56 Sunday: Mk 14: 1-15:47

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

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 13th & 14th March, 2021

Thanks to our parishioners who left in Weekly Envelopes: Rathvilly €442.00, Kiltegan €100.00. Any financial contribution you can make will be appreciated. **Easter Station** is due at this time.

You can also make your donation to the parish by electronic banking. You can contact the Parish Office for details or log on to the Diocesan Website.

Donation Buttons on KandLe Website: There are now two electronic 'Donate Buttons' on the front page of the diocesan website www.kandle.ie

Please return your CHY3 Form as soon as possible.

LOUGH DERG MASS ON RTÉ

Sunday 21st March RTE Studio Broadcast Mass at 11am will be celebrated by Msgr La Flynn, Prior of Lough Derg along with the Lough Derg Pastoral and Music teams. The Mass will be offered for the Lough Derg pilgrim family near and far. Tune into RTE 1 Television or RTE Radio 1.

MINI-LENTEN RETREAT IN PREPARATION FOR HOLY WEEK 2021

In preparation for the Easter Triduum, 'The Hook of Faith' is happy to offer a 'Mini-Lenten Retreat in Preparation for Holy Week' on Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th March. The retreat will be held on Zoom and will be led by Fr Billy Swan. Each conference begins at 8pm. To take part, all you need to do is send an email to: thehookoffaith@gmail.com All are welcome.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT: SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- + Persevere in your chosen resolutions for Lent and remember their purpose is to bring you closer to God
- + Pray for adults across the world preparing for baptism at Easter
- + Plant new life in a container or garden bed! Pollinator friendly herbs include chives, lavender, rosemary, oregano and thyme
- + Remember to 'Share with the hungry' and set aside some of your weekly shop for a food bank or donate the cost
- + Be a happy presence in your home
- + Give up television for an evening
- + Take some quiet time to reflect on your life, to see where change may be needed and to ask for God's forgiveness.

TURNING TO GOD FOR FORGIVENESS THIS LENT

As we move closer to Holy Week, many people's thoughts turn to the sacrament of reconciliation as part of the journey of Lent. Unfortunately, at this time of restrictions our parishes are not in a position to make this sacrament freely available to people. But, of course, the forgiveness of God is always available to us and there are many ways in which we can experience God's mercy, love and forgiveness as we anticipate a future celebration of the sacrament.

You are very welcome to join us for an on-line Penitential Service on Wednesday, 31st March at 7.30 p.m. from St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly.

This is a time of prayer, readings, reflection with an examination of conscience that often concludes with the praying of an Act of Contrition. This is a non-sacramental celebration of God's mercy and a rich preparation for a future celebration of the sacrament with individual confession and absolution.

Alternatively, in your own time, you can spend some time in prayer to God and make what is known as an act of perfect contrition. This involves two things on the part of the person: firstly, to pray an act of contrition out of love of God and secondly, to make a firm commitment to go to confession when that becomes possible.

An Act of Contrition

O my God, I thank you for loving me. I am sorry for all my sins, for not loving others and not loving you. Help me to live like Jesus and not sin again. Amen.

A PALM FOR YOUR DOOR- Sunday, 28th March, 2021

The Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation is inviting parishioners to mark Palm Sunday by putting palm or any green branch on the front door of their home. Parishes are invited to do the same with the front door of churches – we would love to receive photos of church and home doors. Photos can be sent to Cathriona Kelly at cathriona.kelly@kandle.ie or by Whatsapp to 085 145 0321. Cathriona is hoping to compile the video and post it on the evening of Palm Sunday.

YOUNG ADULT CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Now, after a year of COVID, we are more and more conscious of the weight of the restrictions... and moreover the finishing line seems like a mirage always moving farther and farther away from us! The Catholic Young Adult Conference via Zoom on March 27th from 5:30 - 7:30pm is a chance for young adults (18 – 40) wherever they are to come together online to build up their hope. The theme "Hope Springs Eternal" will be discussed in a great line up of short talks and testimonies mixed together with music and prayer. The Conference is free to attend just log in to Zoom: ID 847 1984 5205 Passcode: 771328. Whatever about an injection for COVID, come and get a powerful injection of hope! Newcomers especially welcome.

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

The support line is open seven days - 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

IRISH CATHOLIC – available in the Church each week. Cost €2.50