

## THE GREATNESS OF OUR CHRISTIAN VOCATION

What do my actions mean to anyone and what are they worth? They are little drops of water in a vast ocean, tiny grains of sand in an enormous desert! But the immense ocean is composed of countless drops of water, and a boundless desert of infinite grains of sand. Am I not dust, which is destined to return to dust? Am I not less than dust because "I was taken from the ash heap"? From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people (Ps 112:7-8).

Lord, you made me your child not only for my personal happiness, not for my own advancement, but to entrust me with a particular mission within your plan of salvation. Lord, help me to meditate unceasingly on the advice of Saint Leo the Great: "Christian, be aware of your dignity!". Perhaps I am only a grain of sand, but every grain has its own place, its special role to carry out – the sole condition is my awareness of this reality and my unity with all others.

*Venerable Francis Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan  
Cardinal Nguyen Van Thuan († 2002) was imprisoned by the Vietnamese government for thirteen years, during which time he secretly sent writings and prayers to his flock.*

## SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner Numbers were 5 - 10 - 21 - 22  
Match Three: win or share €150  
Maeve Clarke, Waterstown, Rathvilly 5 - 10 - 21 - 27 Declan Clarke  
Martin Kehoe, 11 Fr. Cullen Terrace, Rathvilly 5 - 10 - 22 - 30 Michael Kehoe  
K and K c/o Theresa Lawlor, St. Patrick's Park 5 - 7 - 10 - 21 Brian Curran  
Promoter's prize €20 Breda Keogh.  
Next draw 14 June 2021 **Jackpot €14,700** Thank you for all your support.

## DUFFY COACH HIRE

Tour to Sligo – 5 nights in The Sligo Park Hotel – 18<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> July  
Tour to Cork – 3 nights in The Clayton Springs Hotel – 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> August.  
For details, contact Duffy Coach Hire – 087 2543235 or 059 6471681.

**FOCUS KILTEGAN is available on the Parish Website.**

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

**Email: [office@rathvillykilteganparish.ie](mailto:office@rathvillykilteganparish.ie) Website: [www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie](http://www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie)**

**Diocesan Website: [www.kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie) Parish Radio 104.3 fm**

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

**Diocesan Director of Safeguarding: Ms. Kathleen Sherry - Email: [safeguarding@kandle.ie](mailto:safeguarding@kandle.ie)**

## **RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH**

### **NEWSLETTER**

**St. Brigid's  
Talbotstown  
12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2021**

**St. Patrick's  
Rathvilly  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**The Assumption  
Tynock  
11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### ANNIVERSARY MASSES

#### Saturday/Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> June

Sean Mullin, Rathdangan – 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary	Maura Dunne, Rathmore
Martin Mullin, Rathdangan	Liam Dunne, Rathmore
Peter Mullin, Rathdangan	Martin Dunne, Rathmore
Dinny Connors, Coole	Ned Corcoran, Rathmore
Philomena (Mena) Whyte, Garretstown	Ellen Corcoran, Rathmore

#### Saturday/Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> June

Margaret Meegan, Castleblayney	Penny Kearns, Rathvilly
Bridget Keegan, Ballyoliver	Rosie Corcoran, Rathvilly
Noel Lyttle & deceased family members	

## MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

**St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly**

Monday – **Mass at 10.00 a.m.**

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

**Wednesday – Communion Service at 9.30 a.m.** led by Deacon Liam.

THE ROSARY will be recited each morning before Mass.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** – Thursday 10.00 – 11.00 a.m.

**Church of the Assumption, Tynock**

Mass on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Conor O'Leary.

Mass on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Paula Boland.

**St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown**

Mass on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> June at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Joe O'Brien.

Mass on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> June at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Mary Kelly, Feddan.

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

**ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO**

[www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam](http://www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam)

[Radio 104.3 fm](http://www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam)

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

### GOSPEL READINGS – 13<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

Sunday: Mk 4: 26-34      Mon: Mt 5:38-42      Tues: Mt 5: 43-48  
Wed: Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18      Thurs: Mt 6: 7-15      Fri: Mt 6: 19-23  
Sat: Mt 6: 24-34      Sunday: Mk 4: 35-41

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

### WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

We thank all our parishioners who contribute to the weekly Collections.

Rathvilly: Offertory € 132.30    Envelopes €704.25

Kiltegan: Offertory €59.80    Envelopes €321.00

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](http://www.kandle.ie)

### PARISH LOTTO      (Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Draw)

Results for 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2021      Numbers: 1 – 18 – 20 – 27.

No €18,000 Jackpot winner    12 Match 3s get €84.00 each    No local winners.

The draw takes place each Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise.

On Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> June the **Jackpot is €19,000**. Tickets €2 each.

Tickets available at the Parish Office, Rathvilly Post Office, Mace and after Mass in the three Churches. **We need more promoters to sell tickets each week.** If you can help, please contact the Parish Office 059 9161114 – Mon-Fri 10 am – 1 pm.

### ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE?

Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the Altar and Service.

Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment. A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in October 2021. For further information please contact Fr. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st. Tel: 059 9161114    Email: [permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie](mailto:permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie)  
'You did not choose me but I chose you' – John 15:16

### THE SISTERS OF MERCY SUMMER SERIES

The Sisters of Mercy of the Northern Province, Ireland are delighted to announce a Summer Series of comhthionól ar líne (online gatherings) to mark 50 years since the publication of "A Theology of Liberation" (Teología de la Liberación) by Gustavo Gutiérrez. Please find information on the attached flyer.

Here is the Eventbrite Link: <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/summer-series-of-comhthionol-ar-line-online-gatherings-tickets-157753560145>

### **Irish Church Music Association virtual Summer School – 'Songs of Love, Faith, Trust & Praise' - July 7th-10th 2021**

Streaming on ICMA Facebook and YouTube with workshops Wednesday, Thursday, Friday at 8pm and on Saturday at 2pm, followed by closing Eucharist. No booking required. Free event. An ICMA virtual choir will accompany the summer school. This project is open to all and we hope lots of you will join us for 4 days of music workshops, prayer and liturgical input as we explore the psalms of love, faith, trust and praise!

### WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY – JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day serves as a call to organisations and communities to raise awareness about Elder abuse, neglect and exploitation. Research suggests that 4 – 10% of older people experience some form of abuse, most of which will go unreported. This day is to make sure we remain focused on our older populations and ensure that they continue to lead lives of high quality and dignity. You can show your support by wearing a purple ribbon on World Elder Abuse Awareness Day on June 15<sup>th</sup>.

### 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 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

### PRESENT FOR MY TEACHER

[www.presentformyteacher.com](http://www.presentformyteacher.com) is where parents and guardians can buy an online gift for their children's teachers in exchange for a donation towards the work of Mary's Meals. Every donation will help to support their mission to provide nutritious daily meals to some of the world's poorest children in their place of education. Donations of **any** amount are gratefully accepted and for just €18.30, a child can receive daily meals while they learn for an entire school year. It is really two gifts in one: your children can safely send a beautiful e-card via email to recognise and thank their teacher, while simultaneously giving a gift of hope to hungry children across the globe.

### RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 12-14-18-27

Match 3 win or share €150

Jude Keogh Ladystown 12-14-23-27

On Line winner

Kitty Kennedy Ballybit 8-12-14-27

Mick Kehoe P/O

Promoters Prize €20

Ed Brennan

Next draw 15 June 2021.

Jackpot € 2,900