

A Light Unto My Path The Feast of Corpus Christi

Bishop Robert Barron

After the great Sinai Covenant between God and his holy people had been concluded, Moses ordered the Israelites to construct an altar and twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then, having slaughtered a series of oxen, Moses took the blood and splashed half of it on the altar and half on the people. What he effected thereby was a kind of blood-brotherhood between the people of Israel and the God who had liberated them from slavery. Each partner to the agreement pledged, as it were, his life blood to the other. Though God certainly remained faithful to the Covenant, Israel, sadly, did not.

Then came Jesus of Nazareth, the one who, in his very person, brought together divinity and humanity. As such, Jesus was, himself, the fulfilment of the Covenant, the coming together at last of the faithful Lord and faithful Israel. At the climax of his life, in the presence of his intimate band, meant to symbolise the twelve, the God-man spoke of a New Covenant in his blood, and he invited his companions to *drink* that blood.

What was symbolised externally in the blood ritual described in the Book of Exodus came to full and real expression at the Last Supper. Those privileged to assist at that meal were not only covered in the blood of the New Covenant, they imbibed it, making it part of themselves. How wonderful that this literal incorporation into the Covenant is re-enacted at every Mass.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day – June 15th

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 15th.

Announcing the 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.

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 Director of Safeguarding: Ms. Kathleen Sherry - Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown
5th & 6th June, 2021**

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock
Corpus Christi**

Months Mind Mass for Nancy O'Brien this Sunday, 6th June at 11 a.m.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 5th & 6th June

George Faulkner, St. Patrick's Park – 1 st Anniversary	Pat Condon, Cnoc Mhuire
Billy, Derek and Joe Faulkner, Bough	Andy & Kate Nolan, Bough
Vincent Balfe, Rahill	Joe & Jenny Cunningham, Louth
George Byrne, Maplestown and deceased family members	
James O'Toole, Teresa O'Toole, Paddy O'Toole, Peg O'Toole Eccles, Bough	

Saturday/Sunday, 12th & 13th June

Sean Mullin, Rathdangan – 1 st 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

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly

Monday – **Mass at 11.00 a.m. Exams Mass**

Invitation to all Leaving Certificate Students to attend Mass or join us on the Parish Webcam to receive a Blessing before their Exams begin on Wednesday, 9th June. (max 50 people in Church)

Tuesday to Friday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

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 Sunday, 6th June at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Nigel Byrne.

Mass on Saturday, 12th June at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Conor O'Leary.

St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown

Mass on Saturday, 5th June at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Breedh Murphy.

Mass on Sunday, 13th June at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Joe O'Brien.

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

The Novena continues each day during Mass until Friday, 11th June the Feast of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

HOUSEBOUND

The housebound will receive their June visit on **Thursday, 10th June** while adhering to Covid 19 guidelines.

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

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 29th & 30th May, 2021

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €181.70 Envelopes €754.60

Kiltegan: Offertory €41.90 Envelopes €963.00

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

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

Results for 2nd June, 2021 Numbers: 5 – 22 – 27 – 30.

No €17,000 Jackpot winner 13 Match 3s get €77.00 each One local winner: Joe O'Brien. Promoter – Josie in Talbotstown Church.

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

On Wednesday, 9th June the **Jackpot is €18,000**. 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.

GOSPEL READINGS – 6th – 13th June, 2021

Sunday: Mt 14: 12-16, 22:26 Mon: Mt 5: 1-12 Tues: Mt 5: 13-16

Wed: Mt 8: 18-27 Thurs: Mt 5: 20-26 Fri: Jn 19: 31-37

Sat: Lk 2: 41-51 Sunday: Mk 4: 26-34

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

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

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

LOTTO – No jackpot winner. Numbers drawn were 3 – 8 – 16 – 30.

Match 3 winners share €150 –

Winners

Promoter

Alan Brennan, Ballyoliver 3 – 8 – 29 – 30

Eithne Brennan.

Paddy Fowler, Slaney Bank 3 – 8 – 11 – 16

Collette & Helen.

Promoters Prize €20 – Ed Brennan.

Next draw on 8th June.

DRIVE IN BINGO – Wednesday, 9th June at 8.00 p.m. Sharp.

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
'You did not choose me but I chose you' – John 15:16

Hacketstown SES CLG Community Employment Scheme has vacancies in the following areas:

Environmental Operative, Clonmore (1) – Vacancy No. CES-2146074

Caretaker Community Hall, Hacketstown (2) - Vacancy No. CES-2146076

Environmental Operative, Hacketstown (1) – Vacancy No. CES-2146078

Environmental Operative, Rathvilly (3) – Vacancy No. CES-2146082

St. John's Caring Centre, Hacketstown (1) Vacancy No. CES-2166722

Office Administrator, Hacketstown (1) Vacancy No. CES-2181580

Please contact your local DEASP Employment Services / Intreo Office to check your eligibility and to apply for this vacancy. The Job Reference Number will be required. Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over for the Childcare, Health and Social Care sectors and 25 years of age or over for all other areas.

Applicants must be resident in Ireland and also be in receipt of an Irish social welfare payment for 1 year or more. You should supply suitable character references and be prepared to complete a Garda vetting application form if required. To check your eligibility, please Contact the DEASP - Mary Gahan – 059-9153481 / Brian Foley - 059-9153481 or for details of the various positions please phone 059-6472923.

Closing Date Monday July 12th 2021.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 2 – 22 – 23 – 28.

Match Three: win or share €150 – No match 3 winners – 5 Lucky Dips –

Catherine Fenton, Glen of Imaal, Co. Wicklow; Joe Lawlor, Woodgrove Avenue, Rathvilly; Christina Deering. Patrickswell, Rathvilly; May Hayes, Bough, Rathvilly and B. Harmon, Kiltegan, Co. Wicklow. Promoter's prize €20 was won by Peg Kehoe, St. Patrick's Park, Rathvilly. Next Jackpot stands at €14,600.

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

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