

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: Luke 12:13-21

Profit and loss

There is an Irish phrase which says, “You never see a trailer being pulled after a hearse.” This would be a very good way to sum up today’s parable. Jesus tells us about a rich man with a storage problem. He places his sense of security in accumulating more and more wealth, so much so that he needs to build bigger barns to store his grain. For all his wealth, he does not realise that his life is about to end. Nothing is more destructive to the human spirit than a preoccupation with accumulating more and more wealth, in whatever form it takes. It is usually driven by insecurity and a lack of peace. We try to constantly fill the gap in our lives which can only be filled by God.

A preoccupation with storing up stuff also affects our relationships with the world, especially with the poor. We cannot be in communion with our human family if we are hoarding resources while others are in need. In many countries people suffer as they struggle to maintain basic food security, while others live in extravagant luxury. It is shocking to read that, globally, one-third of all food is wasted. It is a lie to say that we do not have enough for everyone. As Mahatma Gandhi famously said, “*The world has enough for everyone’s need, but not enough for everyone’s greed*”.

Humanity is at a crossroads where our habits of consumption are concerned. We now know that the Earth and her ecosystems are at breaking point because of the continued exploitation of the resources necessary to feed our consumption habits. According to scientists, we would need three planet Earths to maintain our current rates of production. The parable today is urging us to focus on what is truly important.

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“When nature is viewed solely as a source of profit and gain, this has serious consequences for society. This . . . has engendered immense inequality, injustice and acts of violence against the majority of humanity . . . Completely at odds with this model are the ideals of harmony, justice, fraternity and peace as proposed by Jesus”

Pope Francis

Graigucullen MONSTER Bingo on Tuesday 2nd AUGUST

St.Fiaccs Hall @ 8.30pm. Jackpot on 50 numbers €2260 Double number €320
Lotto €2000 Great prizes, bring a friend.

ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO

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GRAVE CANDLES AVAILABLE NEXT WEEKEND

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid’s
Talbotstown**

30th & 31st July, 2022

**St. Patrick’s
Rathvilly**

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Assumption
Tynock**

Recent Death: Fr. James Bermingham, St. Patrick’s Missionaries, Kiltegan.
Sat/Sun, 30th & 31st July

Months Mind Mass for Elizabeth Deering, Ballybit on Sunday, 31st July

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Josephine Doyle, Slaney Bank – 1st Anniversary

Brendan O’Grady, Rathmore

Michael & Mary Doyle, Ballyhackett

Paddy Kelly, Ballyhackett

James Doyle, Rathdaniel

Peter Deegan, Carnew

Kitty Nolan, Rathmore

Tom Nolan, Rathmore

Sat/Sun, 6th & 7th August

Thomas & Mary Humphries, Rathdaniel and deceased family members

James Gethings, Rathmore and deceased family members

James & Margaret Ralph, Liscolman and deceased family members

Patrick & Mary Humphries Whitestown & Rathmore & deceased family members

Michael Connors, 13 St. Patrick’s Park

Ellen & Tony Kane Carrigslaney and deceased family members

Essie Byrne, Knocklishen

Kevin & Margaret Curry, New Road, Ballyoliver

Bridget Gahan, Lisnavagh

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK St. Patrick’s Church, Rathvilly

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

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

CONFESSION each Saturday evening at 7.00 p.m. at the Confessional.

St. Brigid’s Church, Talbotstown.

Mass on Saturday, 30th July at 6.00 p.m.

Mass on Sunday, 7th August at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Fiona Kane.

Reader – Joe O’Brien.

Church of the Assumption, Tynock

Mass on Sunday, 31st July at 9.30 a.m.

Mass on Saturday, 6th August at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Muireann Gartland.

Reader – Nigel Byrne.

CEMETERY MASS 2022

Mass will take place in St. Patrick’s Cemetery, Rathvilly on Sunday, 7th August at 11.00 a.m. (weather permitting). Please bring a chair or stool.

We invite families of all deceased parishioners since August 2021 to light a candle in memory of their loved one. Due to GDPR the Parish is unable to contact families so please let all the families know.

DEATHS – August 2021 – July 2022

Josephine Doyle, Fr. Christopher O'Brien, Anthony Meehan, Cyril Steward, Eamon Dunne, John (Sean) Kinsella, Una McNally, Bill Gahan, Agnes Byrne, Helen Smith, Eithne Condon, Frances Lennon, Pat Doyle, Freda Cashen, John A. Byrne, Leon Kelly, Elizabeth Deering.

HOUSEBOUND

The housebound will receive their August visit on Friday, 5th August 2 – 4.30 pm. If a family would like a visit for a family member please contact the Parish Office.

RATHVILLY CHURCH CLEANING

Can you spare an hour: A full cleaning of the Church will take place next Saturday, 6th August at 11.30 a.m. We are asking for volunteers to come along and help out.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 23rd & 24th July, 2022

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

Rathvilly: Offertory € 209.33 Envelopes €451.80

Kiltegan: Offertory €56.35 Envelopes €293.70

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

Results for 27th July, 2022 Numbers: 17 – 21 – 23 – 25.

No Jackpot winner. 9 Match 3s get €112.00. No local winners this week.

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

On **Wednesday, 3rd August the Jackpot is €15,000.** Tickets €2.

Thank you for your continued support. Full results on our website.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Elizabeth (Liz) Deering, of Ballybit, Rathvilly wish to sincerely thank all those who supported and sympathised with them on the sad loss of their much loved special angel Liz. We offer our heartfelt thanks to all those who sent Mass cards and messages of condolences, called to the funeral home, attended the funeral Mass and made charitable donations. To our extended families, relatives, friends and kind neighbours who supported us during this difficult time, we offer our sincere thanks. Sincere thanks also to the Management & Staff of Signacare Killerig for looking after Liz so well during her time there but especially over her final days. Thank you to Monsignor John McEvoy for the beautiful Mass and to Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr Ger Ahern and Deacon Liam for their lovely prayers at the funeral home and Fr Dillon for attending the funeral mass. Thank you to Liz's friends and the staff from the Lalor Centre Baltinglass for coming in such large numbers to say a final goodbye to Liz, it meant so much to have you all there with us. Thank you to Lorraine Willoughby and Paul Ryan for the beautiful singing which made the service so meaningful. Thanks especially to John and Pauline Halligan and all at Halligan Funeral Directors for their sensitive, compassionate and professional service. Thank you to Rathvilly GAA for the guard of honour. To those who helped in any way, your contribution made our loss more bearable. As it is impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

BISHOP DENIS NULTY

Best wishes to Bishop Denis on the 9th Anniversary of his Ordination as Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin which takes place next Thursday, 4th August.

CONGRATULATIONS to Tommy & Sadie Donovan who celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary this weekend.

PARISH OFFICE open Tuesday and Friday 2nd & 5th August next week.

PRAY A LOUGH DERG STATION

The 3 day Lough Derg Pilgrimage runs from 1st June to 15th August every year and to coincide with this we invite everyone to Pray a Lough Derg station in St Patrick's Church Rathvilly on Monday 15th August at 8 pm.

ST MARY'S CHURCH OF IRELAND, RATHVILLY

Join us for a weekend of celebrating Flowers and Fruits of the Field in St. Mary's Church of Ireland Rathvilly on Friday 5th August 8pm.

Art Exhibition, Flower Arrangements & displays, Poetry readings, Live Music, Talks by artists. ***Free Entry- All Welcome***

Exhibition Continues Saturday 6th: 1-7pm Sunday 7th: 12.30-6pm

Art Workshops for kids on Sat & Sun

(see Baltinglass Group of Parishes Face Book page for more details)

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 5-11-14-17

Match 3 win or share €150

Tom Deering Knockavagh 5-11-14-18

Helen Deering

Next draw 2 August 2022 **Jackpot €5,800**

Drive in Bingo Wednesday night at 8pm sharp

Thank you for your continued support.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 3- 9 - 14 - 18

Patrick Farrell c/o Rathvilly Post Office 3-9-14-28

Michael Kehoe

Majella Gahan, Fr. Cullan Terrace 3-9-11-14

Martin Curran

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Anthony Byrne, Woodgrove Avenue, Rathvilly.

Next draw 2 Aug. 2022 **Jackpot €20,000.** Thank you for all your support

MATT TALBOT MASS

The monthly Matt Talbot, Freedom from addiction Mass takes place on Monday 1st August at 10:00am in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow.

We pray specifically this month of August for those with Gambling addictions.

DATES FOR THE LONG & THE SHORT OF IT

The dates for the 7 week workshop programme for The Long & Short of It are: 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th August 6th, 13th, 20th September in Rathvilly Parish Meeting Room each Tuesday from **11.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.** Please note change of times.