

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Dressed for action

Jesus regularly emphasises the importance of waiting. The sort of waiting he has in mind, however, does not mean sitting around until something happens – it means ‘active waiting’, and there is an art to it. In today’s parable, Jesus emphasises the importance of being dressed for action with ‘lamps lit’, like servants waiting for the master to return from a wedding feast. The ideal servants are industrious, looking after others as they wait to welcome their master, while the less worthy servants, forgetting their purpose, are distracted by trivial things and engage in mistreating others.

The early Christians must have eagerly listened to this parable, as they were expecting Jesus to return very soon and eager to be ready. What can it say to us today? In this digital age, we have endless options for entertainment. At the touch of a screen, we can fill our minds with news, social events, videos and games: our smart technologies have literally become an extension of our arms. We can seldom claim to be bored or idle. But are we living present, vigilant lives? Are we giving our full care and attention to those we live with and their needs? Are we awake to God’s presence in the vibrancy of life around us, in all of creation?

Jesus finished his parable with a warning for those who know what is required ‘but did not prepare’. This may resonate with us. We tend to postpone serious reflection about our life and habits, thinking we have plenty of time. We distract ourselves and avoid really living in the fullness of life with our lamps lit and our minds always tuned to God. **Copyright © Triona Doherty & Jane Mellett, 2021**

“It’s a terrible thing, I think, in life to wait until you’re ready. I have this feeling now that actually no one is ever ready to do anything. There is almost no such thing as ready. There is only now. And you may as well do it now ... Generally speaking, now is a good as time as any” *Hugh Laurie*

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

We’re excited to announce that we’ve launched a monthly podcast called **Faith Under Fire**. Wendy Grace will host ACN’s podcast to talk to special guests about faith, life, and the plight of suffering and persecuted churches worldwide. You can listen now. Listen on Google Podcast, Apple Podcast or Spotify Podcast.

ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid’s
Talbotstown**

6th & 7th August, 2022

**St. Patrick’s
Rathvilly**

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Assumption
Tynock**

Recent Death: Paddy Bolger, Wexford, brother of Jim Bolger, Ricketstown

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

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
Mary Doyle, Knockavagh

Sat/Sun, 13th & 14th August 2022

Peter Blake, Garretstown

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 and during Thursday Adoration.

St. Brigid’s Church, Talbotstown.

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

Reader – Joe O’Brien.

Mass on Saturday, 13th August at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Breedh Murphy.

Church of the Assumption, Tynock

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

Reader – Nigel Byrne.

Mass on Sunday, 14th August at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Lucilla Brophy.

CEMETERY MASS 2022

Mass will take place in St. Patrick’s Cemetery, Rathvilly this 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.

This Saturday at Mass we remember all our Priests whose burials took place in the Church and Church Grounds.

PRIESTS who were buried in the Church and Church Grounds

V. Rev. P.C. Nolan V. Rev. John Phelan V. Rev. Daniel Murphy
V. Rev. Thomas Murphy Rev. David Murphy V. Rev. Nicholas Cullen
V. Rev. Bernard Ryan V. Rev. Edward Flood

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 30th & 31st July, 2022

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

Rathvilly: Offertory € 338.44 Envelopes €375.00

Kiltegan: Offertory €481.11 Envelopes €338.75

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

Results for 3rd August, 2022 Numbers: 01 – 24 – 29 – 31.

No Jackpot winner. 6 Match 3s get €167.00. No local winners this week.

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

On **Wednesday, 10th August the Jackpot is €16,000.** Tickets €2.

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

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.**

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.

PETER McVERRY TRUST WEXFORD CYCLE 2022

The annual Peter McVerry Trust Wexford Cycle 2022 will take place on Saturday 17th September. The cycle raises vital funds for the housing and homeless charity founded by Fr Peter McVerry. The event is open to all abilities and is a great day out. To find out more visit www.pmvtrust.ie/cycle or call 01 823 0776.

DELANY ARCHIVE

The Delany Archive is delighted to hold an online lecture on the topic of education during the episcopate of Dr James Doyle, Bishop of Kildare & Leighlin (1819-1834). This lecture is part of Heritage Week and will take place on Thursday, 18 August 2022, between 7-8.30pm. Registration is available at the following link: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-HM-TUaER4ucqWWX1exhUQ
More information can be found at <https://www.heritageweek.ie/event-listings/bishop-james-doyle-and-education-2>

GRAIGUECULLEN BINGO on Tuesday 9th August St.Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm.
Jackpot on 50 numbers €2390 Double number €390 Lotto €2050 Great prizes.

GRAVE CANDLES AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND

IRISH CATHOLIC - €2.50 available in the Church each week.

Some of the articles covered in this week's edition of the Irish Catholic –

- Young Catholic group challenges synod on liberal reform agenda
- Cork diocese must change now, warns Bishop Gavin
- Priestly celibacy not reason for abuse crisis – report
- No peace without justice – Ukrainians reject Higgins 'peace' claim
- Controversial law could ban pro-life march in capital

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 7-17-26-27

Match 3 win or share €150

Peadar Doyle Knockavagh 7-17-27-30 On Line winner

Next draw 9 Aug. 2022 **Jackpot €5,900**

Drive in Bingo Wednesday night at 8pm sharp

CARDIAC REHAB PODCAST

"It's Cardiac Rehab" – A podcast series bringing together experts in cardiac rehab and patients who have attended cardiac rehabilitation.

Topics included are exercise, medication, healthy eating and the psychological impact of living with heart disease. If you have had a cardiovascular event such as a heart attack, coronary artery stenting or coronary artery bypass surgery – log onto <https://irishheart.ie/services-for-you/its-cardiac-rehab-podcast/> for information and support.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 10 - 12 - 17 - 24

Isla and Mary Byrne, Knocklishen, Rathvilly Brennan's Centra

Hazel Burgess, Lisnavagh Michael Kehoe

Noelle Bolger, 46 Ard Bhile Michael Kehoe

Kathleen Lynch, Fr. Cullen Terrace Michael Kehoe

Carole McGrath, Fr. Cullan Terrace Carole McGrath

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Michael Kehoe Rathvilly Post Office.

Next draw 9 Aug. 2022 **Jackpot €20,000.** Thank you for all your support

THE MEANING CRISIS, MODERNITY AND THE CHRISTIAN WAY

Benburb Priory will soon host a day conference on the meaning crisis (rise in suicides, depression, and more) and the Christian way, today. The conference will feature leading Christian thinkers, including Paul Kingsnorth, Paul Vander Klay, and Fr Calvin Robinson. This event will take place on Friday 2nd September. Tickets are available at Benburbpriory.com now. All are welcome. Details at [The Meaning Crisis, Modernity, and the Christian Way: A Benburb Priory Conference - Benburb Priory](http://TheMeaningCrisis.Modernity.and.the.Christian.Way.A.BenburbPriory.Conference-BenburbPriory)