

TRINITY SUNDAY

Deacon Rev. Liam Dunne

John 6:51:58 Broken people

Several cities around the world, including Vatican City, have a 'Homeless Jesus' statue. The sculptures, created by artist Tim Schmalz, depict Jesus as a homeless person, asleep on a park bench. The face of the blanketed figure is obscured, but the wounds on his feet reveal his identity. In Dublin, the statue is located on the grounds of Christ Church Cathedral; however, a poll in a national newspaper found that readers would have preferred Molesworth Street, at a location near where homeless man Jonathan Corrie had died. The forty-three-year-old had been sleeping rough in a doorway, just meters from the Irish Government Buildings. Speaking about the sculpture, Schmalz said, "Jesus did not say 'love the wealthy'. His ministry was to the suffering and the poor. The heart of Christianity is to love the broken people, and this is where you find Jesus."

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of himself as the 'living bread'. This extract is part of a much longer passage in which Jesus reveals the intimacy of his relationship with us. Just as bread nourishes us physically, Jesus, the 'bread of life', nourishes us spiritually. In Hebrew, the expression 'flesh and blood' refers to the whole being. The gift of bread is Jesus himself, whose body was broken on the cross. It is in this 'broken' Jesus that we meet in the Eucharist, and who meets us in our own broken state. This broken Jesus challenges us to love the broken people we meet. The representation of Jesus as a homeless person challenges us to reflect on the paradox of the broken, marginalised Jesus who gives us life. May we see and love Him in others.

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"God uses broken things. It takes broken soil to produce a crop, broken clouds to give rain, broken grain to give bread, broken bread to give strength.

- Vance Havner.

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

10th & 11th June, 2023

Corpus Christi

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 10th & 11th June

Pat Condon, Cnoc Mhuire

Constance Brennan

George Byrne, Maplestown

Vincent Balfe, Rahill

Mary Bolger, Rathvilly

Andy & Kate Nolan, Bough

Johney & Mary Breslin, Tinahealy

Philomena (Mena) Whyte, Garretstown

Maura Dunne, Rathmore

Martin Dunne, Rathmore

Liam Dunne, Rathmore

Eamon Dunne, Tankardstown

Michael & Kathleen Byrne, Barnhill

Martin Mullin, Rathdangan

Dinny Connors, Coole

Sean Mullin, Rathdangan

Sat/Sun, 17th & 18th June

William & Mai Osborne, Maplestown

Mickey & Winnie Osborne, Maplestown

Jeremiah & Mary Clarke, Waterstown & deceased family members

Bridget Keegan, Ballyoliver

Noel Lyttle & deceased family members

Margaret Meegan, Castleblayney

Rosie Corcoran, Rathvilly

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – each Friday from 4 – 7 p.m.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Sunday, 11th June – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader: Breedh Murphy.

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Saturday, 17th June – Mass at 6.00 p.m.

CEMETERY MASSES 2023

Tynaclash Cemetery Mass - Sunday, 9th July at 7 p.m.

Rathvilly Cemetery Mass – Sunday, 6th August at 11 a.m.

Sunday, 11th June – The Feast of Corpus Christi.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayers for Vocations will take place this Sunday, 11th June from 2 – 5 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly.

THE SACRED HEART NOVENA continues until 16th June. Novena Prayers will be incorporated into the daily Mass.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 3rd & 4th June

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €204.71

Envelopes €445.00

Kiltegan: Offertory €52.93

Envelopes €187.27

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

Results for 7th June, 2023

Numbers: 04 – 09 – 21 – 32.

No Jackpot winner of €15,000. 13 match 3s get €77.00 each – No local winner.

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

On **Wednesday, 14th June the Jackpot is €16,000.** Tickets €2.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 2-5-17-30

Match 3 win or share €150. 5 Lucky dips

Lorraine Kelly Woodgrove

On Line winner

Theresa Cullen DeLacey Abbey

On Line winner

Ciara Keogh

Bingo winner

Peg Doyle

Bingo winner

Veronica Doyle

Bingo winner

Next draw 13 June 2023 **Jackpot €3,100**

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 2 – 17 – 20 – 23

Bridget Harmon, Kiltegan 2-17-23-25

Fergal Harmon

Mary and Molly, Knocklishen 2-3-20-23

Brennan's Centra

Michael (Flash) Byrne, Kiltegan 17-20-23-30

Laura Kavanagh

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

Next draw 13th June 2023 **Jackpot €20,000.** Thank you for all your support.

The **44th. AGM of Slaney Rovers AFC** - will take place in the Harp Lounge on Saturday evening, June 17th at 6pm. All members, intending members and supporters are invited to attend.

SYMPOSIUM FOR HEALTHCARE CHAPLAINS

Takes place on Thursday, June 29th 2023 at Croke Park Conference Centre, Dublin.

The Symposium, entitled "Stewarding the Mysteries", is sponsored by the Bon Secours Health System and will explore the challenges and opportunities of Healthcare Chaplaincy in an ever-evolving Pastoral Care landscape. As the topics we will explore

are relevant not just for those within the healthcare setting, but for all involved in the Church's ministry and mission, both Healthcare Chaplains and non-Healthcare Chaplains are very welcome to join us. Refreshments and lunch will be provided. The event is free of charge. Please note that prior registration is essential by emailing Jenny Collins at jcollins@bonsecours.ie

GRAIGUECULLEN BINGO on Tuesday 13th June St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm.

Jackpot on 43 numbers €1090 Double number €1090 Lotto €1850

FR. PAT O'BRIEN RETIRES

A lovely community evening was held last Friday night 2nd June to honour and celebrate our curate Fr. Pat O' Brien on his retirement. A Mass was con-celebrated by Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr. Pat, Fr. John, and Deacon Liam in Tynock in the company of many St. Patrick's priests, community choir and community members, followed by a happy celebration in St Tegan's Hall afterwards. Compère for the evening, was the one and only Joe O' Brien who kicked off the occasion by welcoming everyone especially Fr. Pat. Many presentations were made to Fr. Pat by representatives of the many community groups in which he has been involved; St Tegan's Hall Committee, Kiltegan GAA, Kiltegan Camogie, Kiltegan Women's Shed, Tynock & Talbotstown National Schools and the Parish. Fr. John and Bishop Denis thanked Fr. Pat for his commitment to the parish and diocese. Nigel Byrne expressed sincere thanks to Fr. Pat on behalf of our entire community for all he has done within our community, since joining us eight years ago. As we all know Fr. Pat is a proud Limerick GAA man and well wishes were passed on for Limerick in the Munster hurling final this weekend. Fr. Pat always showed great interest in all the sports teams in our area. Fr. Pat expressed his thanks to the entire community and parish for the kindness he has experienced within our community and encouraged people to keep in touch with him. He will just be up the road in St. Patrick's College. Joe closed off his address with one of his many great yarns and stories, memories and laughter continued late into the evening with music aplenty from Fergus Kenny ably assisted by Don Manley.

We wish Fr. Pat a very happy retirement.

(via Focus, Kiltegan)

DEACONS ANNUAL RETREAT DAY

Takes place at Knock Shrine on June 24th. Deacons and aspirants in discernment along with your families are invited to join us for a day of prayer and reflection. To confirm your attendance contact Deacon Tony Larkin at deacontony17@gmail.com or 085-7392473

RATHVILLY TIDY TOWNS & COMMUNITY GARDEN

Looking to get outside and active? Tidy Towns and Community Garden are a great way to get involved in anyway you want. Interested please reach out via Facebook or Mary at the post office. Allotments available. Plant donations welcome.

ÉIST CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

The Ritz Showband – Fundraiser for Éist Cancer Support Centre in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel, Carlow on Wednesday, 28th June at 8.30 p.m. A wonderful night of song and dance featuring hits from the Irish showband era of the 1960's.

Doors open 7.30 p.m. Lots of raffle prizes. Tickets €15 are available from the Woodford Dolmen Hotel or Eist Centre phone 085 8661499/059 9139684 or email info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie

IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER available in Rathvilly Church €3.