TRINITY SUNDAY

Deacon Rev. Liam Dunne

John 3:16-18 Divine energy

'God so loved the world' Our short Gospel passage today is familiar. It is known as one of the most concise expressions of Christian faith. Jesus is speaking to Nicodemus, a Jewish leader who has come to him with a series of questions. We, too, seek to understand who Jesus is. Jesus explains that the key to the mystery is love: God loved the world so much that God became one of us. The creative love of God, in the world and part of the world since the beginning of time (Jn 1:3, 10), reaches its climax in the incarnation.

Something of this creative love is expressed in the parent—child relationship. The all-encompassing love of a parent for their child is a model of the intimacy between creator and creature. A parent wants the best for a child, to hold them close, to protect them from harm, to fill them with love and hope. The inseparable bond between a mother and the child she has carried and nurtured in her body has an energy of its own. As the child grows, the love between parent and child continues to flow, sustaining the child, connecting them always with the love from whence they came. In a similar way, the Spirit weaves and flows through our lives, joining us with the source of divine love. The mystery of the Trinity is that God is a relationship of love. And Jesus is the way into this great mystery of God's presence in creation, in our world, in ourselves, in one another. 'Jesus is the model and metaphor for all of creation being drawn into this infinite flow of love. Through Jesus, God invites us into the divine nature, so we can share and participate in it. We are 'pulsing with divine energy', and on this foundation we build our lives of love.

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"There is nothing the baby does that is not delightful to the parents. Whether playing, sleeping, dribbling sucking a nipple, a thumb or a toe, there is beautiful meaning for the adoring mother. So with us and God. Even the most ordinary and routine actions and duties of our roles in life, may be the most sacred of all. The mystery of God expressed as a paradox. The Holy Spirit spins gold from the bare threads of our threadbare days. - *Daniel O'Leary*.

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's Talbotstown

St. Patrick's Rathvilly

The Assumption Tynock

3rd & 4th June, 2023

The Most Holy Trinity

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 3rd & 4th June

Months Mind Mass: Bridie Tobin, Rathmore this Saturday, 3rd June at 7.30 p.m.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

George Faulkner, St. Patrick's Park Derek, Joe & Billy Faulkner, Bough

Sat/Sun, 10th & 11th June

Pat Condon, Cnoc Mhuire Maura Dunne, Rathmore Constance Brennan Martin Dunne, Rathmore George Byrne, Maplestown Liam Dunne, Rathmore

Vincent Balfe, Rahill Eamon Dunne, Tankardstown

Mary Bolger, Rathvilly Michael & Kathleen Byrne, Barnhill

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

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

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

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Sunday, 4th June – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader: Mary Byrne.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Sunday, 11th June – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader: Breedh Murphy.

FR. PAT O'BRIEN

Best wishes to Fr Pat on his retirement. We wish him many years of good health.

 $\underline{HOUSEBOUND\ VISIT\ FOR\ JUNE}-Wednesday, 7^{th}\ June\ 2-5\ p.m.$

CEMETERY MASSES 2023

Tynaclash Cemetery Mass - Sunday, 9th July at 7 p.m. Rathvilly Cemetery Mass - Sunday, 6th August at 11 a.m.

Best wishes to all the students sitting their Junior and Leaving Certificate Exams next week.

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

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Prayers for Vocations will take place on Sunday, 11th June from 2 – 5 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly. County Carlow Legion of Mary group may be in attendance.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The family of the late Bridie Tobin wish to thank all those who sympathised on the sad loss of their sister Bridie. To those who sent Mass Cards, Flowers, kind words on RIP.ie, called personally, phoned and letters of sympathy, all who attended Wake and Removal from the Funeral Home, Mass and Burial.

Thanks to Msgr. John McEvoy for the beautiful Mass, to the Altar Servers, to Gillian for the lovely singing and music. Thanks to Pauline and David Halligan and all at Halligan Funeral Directors for their kindness, gravediggers, Ger Clarke, The Harp and the Green Lemon.

To the doctors and nurses at St. Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny and Sonas Nursing Home. To all the kind neighbours, relatives and friends who helped in any way, to Ann Hurley for her help on the day of the burial, to Patty & Tom Fox and Tommy Hickson for their help, to Nurse Andrea Kehoe, Nurse Catherine Kavanagh, to carers Georgina Leonard, Liz Hand and Stella Kelly and all the carers over the last four years for their exceptional care of Bridie.

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

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 27th & 28th May

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €280.66 Envelopes €563.00 Kiltegan: Offertory €53.58 Envelopes €252.63

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

Results for 31^{st} May, 2023 Numbers: 08 - 12 - 23 - 28.

No Jackpot winner of €14,000. 21 match 3s get €48.00 each – One local winner.

Winner – Jean & Rody McEvoy. Promoter – Fr. John McEvoy.

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

On Wednesday, 7th June the Jackpot is €15,000. Tickets €2.

TENNIS CLUB

At a well attended AGM the following officers were elected:

Chairperson Therese Murphy. Vice chairperson Teresa Curran.

Secretary Mary Cunningham. Asst. Sec. Carol Gahan. Treasurer Brigid Kehoe.

Asst. Treasurer Elaine Reilly. PRO. Anna Mae Byrne. Asst. PRO. Lena Smyth. In addition to the Officers the following make up the Committee Josephine Dunne, Derek Reilly & Brian O Donoghue.Cormac Doherty continues his 8 week coaching. Please email cmjdtenniscoaching@gmail.com for booking.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 5-11-12-27

Match 3 win or share €150

Eamon Kelly Dublin 1-5-11-12 On Line winner Derek O'Donoghue 5-11-15-27 On Line winner Bernie Dunne Roscommon 5-6-11-12 Helen Deering Fergus Hutton 5-12-24-27 Bingo Winner

Next draw 6th June 2023 **Jackpot € 3,000**

<u>THE SACRED HEART NOVENA</u> takes place from 8 – 16th June. Novena Prayers will be incorporated into the daily Mass. Leaflets available in the Church.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 2 - 3 - 15 - 28 Tina Doyle, Bough, Rathvilly 2-3-15-19 Online Winner Promoter's prize €20 was won by Breda Keogh, Parkmore, Baltinglass. Next draw 6 June 2023 **Jackpot €20,000.** Thank you for all your support.

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.

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

ALL-IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN

Local communities can lead the way in creating an Ireland where pollinators can thrive. Our bees and other pollinating insects are in trouble.

The good news is that you can help by making your garden pollinator friendly. Every garden, no matter its size, can be a haven for hungry pollinators. Download the set of pollinator friendly garden guidelines www.pollinators.ie

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

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Carlow Choral Society - Brahms Requiem with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra

Carlow Choral Society presents an uplifting and memorable performance of Brahms Requiem on Friday June 9th at 8pm in the Cathedral of the Assumption. Conducted by Blánaid Murphy and accompanied by the RTÉ Concert Orchestra and Yvonne Collier on piano. Soloists include internationally acclaimed Ailish Tynan, Soprano and Benjamin Russell, Baritone. Tickets are €25.00 each and accompanied under 16's are free are available online on www.eventbrite.ie and from choir members. Contact<u>carlowchoralsociety@gmail.com</u> or Miriam Kelly on 087-9422608