

Trinity Sunday – Deacon: Rev. Liam Dunne

Gospel: John 16:12-15 The Spirit will guide

In today's Gospel, we see that Jesus is comfortable with an element of mystery. Speaking to the disciples before his arrest, Jesus is preparing them for the gift of the Spirit. The word he often uses is 'Advocate', meaning helper or comforter, indicating that the disciples will not be left to struggle on alone. We hear Jesus say that the complete truth is too much for the disciples now. The mystery of his life, death and Resurrection – and the implications they will have for his followers – all will become clearer in due course. The Spirit will guide them, he says.

Down through the years, the Church has attempted to put words on this great mystery of the Trinity. It was three hundred years after Jesus' death before the Church spoke officially of God as One in Three Persons. A great deal has been written about the mystery since then. In recent times, C.S. Lewis described God as 'a dynamic, pulsating activity, a life, almost a kind of drama. Almost . . . a kind of dance'. As Jesus told the disciples, not everything is revealed at once. The Spirit is still at work among us, like a 'dynamic activity' or 'dance'. The beauty of creation is constantly unfolding in front of our eyes. Thanks to the gift of science, we are discovering amazing things about our planet, our universe, our bodies and our minds. As humanity, as Church and as individuals our journey continues, with the Spirit gradually unveiling God's message for our place and time. We don't yet have all the answers about this beautiful life. Our task is to listen, and to be awake to the many ways God speaks to us and calls us into the life of God.

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'Circling around' is all we can do. Our speaking of God is a search for similes, analogies and metaphors. All theological language is an approximation, offered tentatively in holy awe. That's the best human language can achieve. . . We are in the realm of beyond, of transcendence, of mystery.

- Richard Rohr

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

Sat/Sun, 14th & 15th June, 2025

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

Trinity Sunday

Recent Deaths: Elizabeth Kavanagh, Broughillstown
Bernadette Coyle, Celbridge sister of Carmel Kelly, Ricketstown

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 14th & 15th June

Maura Dunne, Rathmore

Liam Dunne, Rathmore

Martin Dunne, Rathmore

Eamonn Dunne, Tankardstown

Andy & Kate Nolan, Bough

Jeremiah & Mary Clarke, Knockboy & deceased family members

Garrett & Dora Keogh & deceased family members

Charles Byrne Snr., Williamstown

Dinny Connors, Monavotha

Martin Mullin, Rathdangan

Sean Mullin, Rathdangan

Johnney & Mary Breslin, Tinahely

Sat/Sun, 21st & 22nd June

Thomas Colgan, Rathdaniel – 1st Anniversary

Peg McGrath, Broughillstown – 1st Anniversary

Penny Kearns, Rathvilly

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Sunday, 15th June – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Lucilla Brophy.

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Saturday, 21st June – Mass at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Breedh Murphy.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday - Mass at 9.30 a.m. No Mass on Thursday.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – each Friday 3-6 pm.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 7th & 8th June

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €254.93

Envelopes €347.00

Kiltegan: Offertory €229.90

Envelopes €293.50

PINS TO PIONEERS

If anyone would like to become a Pioneer please contact the Parish Office.

Mass and blessing/presentation of Pins will take place on Friday, 27th June at 7.00pm

EVENING PRAYER FOR PEACE

Can you spare a half an hour on Tuesday, 17th June at 7.30 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly to continue to pray for appalling scenes in Gaza.

Gaza: 'Words are not enough!' – Irish Bishops call for solidarity. See separate sheet.

THE SACRED HEART NOVENA – 19th – 27th June.

Novena Prayers will be incorporated into the daily Mass. Leaflets in the Church.

PARISH CEMETERY MASSES

Tynaclash Cemetery – Sunday, 13th July at 7.00 p.m.

Rathvilly Cemetery – Sunday, 3rd August at 11.00 a.m.

Day for Life 2025 “Hope does not disappoint: Finding meaning in suffering”

The 2025 ‘Day for Life’ joint pastoral message will be celebrated by the Catholic Church in Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales this Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity, 15 June, on the theme: **Hope does not disappoint: Finding meaning in suffering**. This annual day offers the faithful the opportunity to express their prayerful support for all human life from conception to natural end.

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

Results from 11th June, 2025 No Jackpot winner of €13,000

Numbers: 01-27-28-30. 8 Match 3 numbers get €125.00 each.

No local match three winner this week.

Next draw on Wednesday, 18th June. **Jackpot €14,000.**

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

Thank you to our parishioners for supporting the Lotto.

Tickets available in the Post Office, Parish Office, Lotto promoters and also in Rathvilly, Tynock & Talbotstown Churches after Mass in the Sacristy.

PARISHES ALIVE - MOVING FORWARD IN HOPE!

Bishop Denis, together with the Diocesan Pastoral Council, will host a day for lay people and clergy to explore the direction of the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin and how it impacts on the day-to-day life of a parish. We are building on the work done previously by the DPC, the Council of Priests, Faith Development Services, and across parishes.

The day will comprise inputs from guest speakers, along with prayer, general discussion, and intentional listening. The keynote speaker will be Prof. Fr Michael Conway, Professor of Faith & Culture at St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth. It takes place on Saturday, 21st June 2025 in Carlow College with registration at 9:30am, starting promptly at 10am and concluding at 4 pm. Lunch is included. Booking essential by email to parishdevelopment@Kandle.ie, providing your name and parish, 083-8305681.

Carlow Environmental Network Summer Community Get Together & Talk

Free event: On Wed 18th of June Carlow Environmental Network (CCEN) warmly invites you to a Summer Community Get Together & Talk on the Earth Charter in An Gairdín Beo, Carlow town 5.30pm-8.30pm. Enjoy some pizza and an illuminating talk on the Earth Charter. Everyone is welcome but registration is necessary here: <https://tinyurl.com/yn7jvuvr>
Email: info@ccen.ie if you have any questions.

RATHVILLY PARKS TENNIS CAMP 7th - 11th July

10am - 12noon 5-9yr 12.15 2.15pm 9-16yr cost €45

contact Helen 0861675663 for registration link. All equipment provided.

RATHVILLY HERITAGE INTEREST GROUP

1st AGM in Lawlor's Function Room on Thurs 19th June 7.30pm. All Welcome.

PILGRIMAGES: JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

Book a seat on bus to Knock for Corpus Christi for Sun 22nd June

Book a seat on bus to Croagh Patrick for Sat 12th July, for one day trip OR for an over-night stay (which will include Bus fare, B&B and Evening meal)

Contact - DUFFY'S COACH HIRE on 087 2543235 or 059 6471681 for full details

GK PARISH NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

The rosary at 7.10pm and Mass at 7.30pm. **Guest Speaker 16th June**– Ger Brennan, former Dublin footballer & current manager of Louth County GAA Team.

RATHVILLY GAA CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers Drawn 6-20-25-27

Match 3 win or share €150

Maureen Plant Baltinglass 20-22-25-27

Bingo Winner

Next draw 17 June 2025 **Jackpot €3,100**

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 5-10-20-29

Victoria Corrigan, Rathvilly 5-19-20-29

Online Winner

PJ Doyle, Ricketstown 5-10-15-20

Brennan's Centra

Maureen McNamara, Bough 9-10-20-29

Gabriel Deering

Jenny and Jake Donegan, Collins Park 5-10-15-20

Jenny Donegan

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Brennan's Centra, Rathvilly.

Next draw 17th June 2025 Jackpot €15,000. Thank you for all your support.

SUPER VARIETY CONCERT

John Lennon & St Tegan's Hall committee presents a Super Variety Concert in St Tegan's Hall on Thursday, 3rd July starting at 8 p.m. Admission €15.00 with special guest appearance by Dave Lofts. Featuring hand clapping & foot tapping music. Ballads, Irish & American Country, Rhythm & Blues, Ukrainian Sounds and Traditional music. Promises to be a great nights entertainment.

Tickets on sale from: Danny Byrne – 059 6473143, Siobhan Doyle – 087 2372050, Ben Lennon – 087 9436187 or any committee member.

WASTE DISPOSAL

Carlow County Council are offering all households and business in our community an opportunity to dispose of all old electrical equipment for free.

You can dispose of any item that uses a plug or a battery, no matter how big or small at the following locations –Saturday, 28th June – Tullow Mart 10am – 4 pm.

Thursday, 3rd July – Hacketstown Fire Station 10am – 4 pm.

FOSTERING IN THE FRAME AT CARLOW LIBRARY

“A Day In the Life of Foster Families” Exhibition June 26th -30th

A photo and story exhibition that depicts the everyday lives of Irish foster families across South Tipperary/Carlow/Kilkenny region.