

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time– Deacon: Rev. Liam Dunne

Gospel: Luke 10:1-12, 17-20 Peace to this house!

In today's gospel, Jesus appoints seventy-two disciples to go ahead of him to the towns he intends to visit. He recommends a specific greeting for them to use when entering a home. 'Peace to this house!' The words set the tone for the visit, and we might compare it to the traditional Irish greeting, 'God bless all here!' Jesus explains that, if a person of peace lives in the house, 'your peace will go and rest on him', and the disciples will find a generous welcome in return. The peace that governs our home life extends to all, including strangers in need.

It is significant that peace is the first blessing that Jesus advises his followers to bring. As the COVID-19 pandemic gave rise to repeated lockdowns, one of the shocking statistics that emerged told of the increase in domestic violence. This particularly affected women who had no respite in their homes from abusive partners, and it gave rise to a surge in calls for help being reported by charities that support women and children.

Violence or abuse have no place in our homes or in our relationships. Jesus calls us to be people of peace in all our dealings with others. Peace does not mean constant harmony or the absence of disagreements. But how we treat our families and the people we live with should be governed by a peace that comes from a deep respect for the other and a willingness to listen, to understand and to help. The peace we nurture at home will extend to all we meet. In Jesus' vision, it goes hand in hand with hospitality.

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"We find it so difficult to accept the revelation that it is God's delight to be worshipped in the way we touch and look at each other, in the way we listen and talk to each other, in the way we forgive and promise to start all over again. – **Daniel O'Leary**"

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's

Talbotstown

Sat/Sun, 5th & 6th July, 2025

St. Patrick's

Rathvilly

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Assumption

Tynock

Sat/Sun, 5th & 6th July

Months Mind Mass: Elizabeth Kavanagh, Broughillstown this Sat/Sun, 5/6 July

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

John Nolan, Knockboy – 1st Anniversary

Oliver Byrne, New Road, Ballyoliver – 1st Anniversary

Mary Doyle, Lisnavagh

Peter Byrne, Knocklishen

Eamon Byrne, 16 Ml. Collins Park

Cicely Hanford, Ballyoliver

Margaret & Michael Walsh, Tobinstown

Sat/Sun, 12th & 13th July

Eithne Molloy, Rathvilly

Jim Haberlin, Ballybit Big

Michael O'Neill, Slaney View

James & Bernadette Fanning, Williamstown

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Sunday, 6th July – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Mary Kelly.

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Saturday, 12th July – Mass at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Fiona Kane.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday - Mass at 9.30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – each Friday 3-6 pm.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 28th & 29th June

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €258.63

Envelopes €365.00

Kiltegan: Offertory €98.75

Envelopes €211.00

PARISH HOUSEBOUND VISIT FOR JULY

Rathvilly Area on Wednesday, 11th July from 2 – 5 p.m.

Kiltegan Area on Wednesday, 16th July from 2 – 5 p.m.

EVENING PRAYER FOR PEACE

Can you spare a half an hour on Tuesday, 8th July at 7.30 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly to continue to pray for appalling situation in Gaza.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Son's and daughter's of Elizabeth Kavanagh together with their extended families wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them on their recent sad loss of their mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. To people who send Mass Cards, letters and messages of sympathy, called to the house and travelled long distances to be with us – thank you.

A special word of thanks to Fr. Ger Ahern, Msgr McEvoy, Bishop Denis Nulty, Fr. John Heinhold and Deacon Rev Liam Dunne. To Gallagher Medical team, nurses and carers. To Carlow District Hospital and Palliative Care for looking after mammy so well. To Halligan Undertakers John and staff thank you for your professionalism, courtesy and kindness over a difficult few days.

As a token of our appreciation the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions. Anyone who may be forgotten from the above was not intentional.

PARISH CEMETERY MASSES

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

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

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

Results from 2nd July, 2025 No Jackpot winner of €16,000

Numbers: 02-04-12-28. 33 Match 3 numbers get €31.00 each.

Two local match three winners this week.

Winner – Kathleen Lynch. Promoter – Rathvilly Post Office.

Winner - Mairead Curry. Promoter – Angela Byrne

Next draw on Wednesday, 9th July. **Jackpot €17,000.**

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

Thank you to our parishioners for supporting the Lotto.

MOTORCYCLE RUN RATHVILLY

Sun, 6th July – Motor Cycle Run in aid of the Palestian Children's visit to Rathvilly.

Assemble at 12 Noon in the village. Depart 1.30 p.m. Donations on the day.

PALESTINE CHILDREN'S VISIT

GAA Palastine will be visiting our village on Tuesday, 22nd July, this party will consist of 34 children/Teenagers and 13 adults (mentors) including a doctor all from the west bank areas of Palestine. It would be fantastic if as many people as possible could turn out on the day to give them a huge Ceád Mile Fáilte to Rathvilly and Carlow (10.30 a.m.) in the village square and afterwards for a morning of fun and games and light refreshments in the GAA grounds Rathvilly. Bring your children you grandparents and yourself for a fun day and mingle with our viistor's.

Hope to see you there!

PRAISE RESOUNDS CONCERT

A gathering of reflection, music and song, celebrating the legacy of Saint Columbanus, Saturday 12th July @ 8.00 pm in the Cathedral of the Assumption, College Street, Carlow.

COLUMBANUS DAY CELEBRATIONS

All paths lead to Carlow this July when the town hosts the XXVI Columbanus Day celebration from 11th July to 13th July 2025. This significant occasion honours St Columbanus, one of Ireland's most influential early missionaries, recognised for his contributions to the spiritual and cultural foundation of Europe. St Columbanus, patron saint of the Missionary Society of St Columban, was born in Myshall. The three-day event promises a rich blend of cultural, spiritual and communal experiences. Highlights include the launch of the exhibition 'Ireland and the Birth of Europe,' a symposium exploring the relationship between creation and spirituality given by Columban missionary Fr Sean McDonagh, and a walk along the picturesque Columban Way. Visitors can also look forward to engaging talks, such as 'Columbanus, the Man from Myshall,' by former President Dr Mary McAleese, taking place in the Holy Cross Church in Myshall. The celebrations culminate with the XXVI Columbanus Day Mass at the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Sunday 13th July. We very much look forward to hosting the International Columbanus Weekend, when pilgrims from all over Europe will gather here in our diocese to honour this great Saint. Bookings for various events now open on www.kandle.ie

RATHVILLY GAA CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 11-12-17-24

Match 3 win or share €150. 5 Lucky dips

Cathy Purdy Fitzgerald Ballyoliver

On Line winner

Aoifa O'Dwyer Fr Flood Ave

On Line winner

Paddy Doyle Paulville

Bingo winner

Bridie Donoghue Baltinglass

Bingo winner

Ned Byrne Grangecon

Bingo winner

Next draw 8 July 2025 **Jackpot €3,400**

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 2-19-23-24

Trish Harmon, Kiltegan

Fergal Harmon

Chris Bolger, Rathvilly

Brennan's Centra

Patrick O Reilly c/o Brede Keogh

Brede Keogh

Joan Sibbald, Rathvilly

Post Office

George Botis

Borza Takeaway

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Brede Keogh.

The 46th. AGM of Slaney Rovers AFC - will take place in the Harp Lounge on Thursday, July 10th. at 8pm. All members, intending members and supporters are invited.

JOHN BYRNE MEMORIAL SHIELD on Saturday, 12th July –

The Byrne Family -V- Slaney Mixed Team at 5 p.m. @ Slaney Rovers AFC.

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO CROAGH PATRICK

Youth Pilgrimage to Croagh Patrick – 22nd August 2025 For young adults (18-35) in the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin. Buses will depart from: Naas, Carlow and Portlaoise. For full details and to register, visit: [kandle.ie](http://www.kandle.ie).