

WALK WITH WILLIBRORD

RTÉ's Nationwide is to feature a segment on the 'Walk with Willibrord' on Monday 12th February at 7.00pm. Featuring the journey of the relic of St. Willibrord, Patron Saint of Luxembourg from St Laserian's Cathedral, Old Leighlin to the Cathedral of the Assumption in Carlow.

BLOOD DONATION

Your next Blood Donation Clinic – Tullow Community School on Monday, 12th February from 4.30 – 8.00 p.m. **Please note change of venue.**

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 1-6-15-19

Match 3 win or share €150

Betty Conway Barnhill 1-6-8-19

Mick Kehoe

Ml. Dowling Knocklishen 1-6-8-15

Dan O'Connor

Promoters Prize €20 Collette & Lena

Next draw 13 Feb. 2018 in Molloy's Bar.

Jackpot € 5,700

JUVENILE REVIEW OF 2017 - Meeting will be held this Sunday, 11th February at 6.30 p.m. in Club Rooms. All welcome.

COMMUNITY GAMES

Best of luck to our U/16 boys Basketball team this weekend.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 6 – 15 – 16 – 23

Match Three: win or share €150

Ger Kavanagh Jnr, Ballybit Big, Tullow

Jenny Murphy, Haroldstown

Peg Kehoe, St. Patricks Park, Rathvilly

Zuzza c/o Bruno

Theresa Curran, 12 Collins Park, Rathvilly

Promoters` prize Michael Kehoe.

Next draw on Monday, February 12th. 2018. **Jackpot €9,300**

U11 Trip To Blackpool Tournament Fund Raiser: Golden Goals Results -

Match 10: Southampton v Spurs (15th minute), winner Emma Kehoe, Rathmore

Match 11: Cardiff v Man City (8th min), winner Josephine Gardiner, Fr. Cullen Tce

Match 12: Liverpool v Spurs (3rd minute), winner Emma Kehoe, Rathmore

SLANEY ROVERS – TABLE QUIZ

Table Quiz on Friday 16th February in the HARP Bar commencing at 7pm in aid of Slaney Rovers Juvenile Soccer Fundraiser for U11 Blackpool Soccer

Tournament trip. Table of 4 = €40. Raffle on the night also with lots of prizes.

ZUMBA CLASS on Mon. night at 7.30 p.m. in the Phoenix Centre. €5 per class.

Parish Office – Mon-Fri: 10 am – 1 pm - 059 9161114

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Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

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Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Ms Joan Treacy - Email: dlp@kandle.ie Tel: 085-8021633

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

10th & 11th February, 2018

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Assumption
Tynock**

Pray for John Swayne, Rathvilly whose funeral took place in Carlow during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 10th February at 7.30 p.m.

Canice Donnelly, Broughillstown

Tom, Joe & Mick Halligan, Rathvilly

Bridie Doyle, Tankardstown

Christy Gahan, Collins Park

Kathleen Faulkner, St. Patrick's Park

Thomas Cassells, Ricketstown

Thomas & Ellen Foley, Rathmore and deceased members of the Foley family

Dan Byrne, Williamstown

Baby Cayden Kenny, Kevin Barry Road

Months Mind Mass for Frances Faulkner on Saturday, 17th February at 7.30 p.m.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 17th February at 7.30 p.m.

Joe Curran, Collins Park

Vena Doyle, Foxcover

Billy Leonard, Collins Park

Tony & Maura Morrissey, Ballyoliver

Luke Kearns, Rathvilly

Pat & Paddy Morrissey, Ballyoliver

Ellen Byrne, Maplestown

Mai & Myles Carson, Rathmore and deceased members of the Carson family

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Ash Wednesday – Mass at 9.30 a.m. & 7.30 p.m. Mass in Talbotstown at 11 a.m.

Friday – Stations of the Cross & Confessions at 7.00 p.m. Mass at 7.30 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – each Thursday 10am – 7pm

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES 2018

Celebrate the Joy of Love this Valentine's Day with the Joy of Love Token Book and Card. Available this weekend in the Church.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Meeting on Thursday, 15th February in St. Tegan's Hall, Kiltegan at 8.00 p.m.

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD 2018

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Quiet Prayer and other Prayer opportunities at St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Fri & Sat 9th/10th March.

Bishop Denis invites families and individuals across the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin to join Pope Francis this Lent in pledging some time for the Lord.

Adoration will not take place on Thursday, 8th March. Current adorers should notify Anne Marie if they can undertake an hour during the 24 hours and which hour.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Day of Fast and Abstinence. In the readings today there is a great consciousness of our sinfulness, as we pray 'Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned'. There is also a sense that the time to repent and turn back is now. The Gospel tell us how to approach that renewal of our lives. It puts before us the remedy in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. These three strands of Lenten observance are as ancient as Christianity itself. There is no substitute for them. 'Fasting is the soul of prayer, mercy is the lifeblood of fasting. If we have not all three together, we have nothing' says St Peter Chrysologus.

Regulations for Fasting in Lent. As Catholics we are asked to abstain from meat and to fast on two days in the year, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting means that one full meatless meal can be eaten in the day. Two other meatless meals may be taken to maintain strength but together they should not exceed one full meal. Liquids, including milk and fruit juice, may be taken between meals. The fasting regulation applies to all Catholics aged 18 to 59 while those aged fourteen and above are asked to abstain from meat. Some people are not required to fast; these include those who are sick, pregnant or nursing women and manual labourers according to need. In the past, Irish Catholics were required to abstain from meat every Friday. While still not a requirement, the Irish Bishops' Conference has suggested it as a form of Friday Penance during Lent.

FORMS OF FRIDAY PENANCE

The following are suggested as ways of fulfilling Friday penance:

- Abstaining from meat or some other food;
- Abstaining from alcoholic drink or smoking;
- Making a special effort at involvement in family prayer;
- Making a special effort to participate in Mass on Fridays;
- Visiting the Blessed Sacrament;
- Making the Stations of the Cross;
- Fasting from all food for a longer period than usual and perhaps giving what is saved to the needy;
- Helping the poor, sick, old or lonely.

TRÓCAIRE

This year's Trócaire Lenten campaign focuses upon the KOROMA FAMILY in Freetown, Sierra Leone who were affected by recent landslides in their area. This tragic event affected the Koroma family in various ways and cost them their home, possessions, work tools and changed the course of this family's future forever. Please take at Trócaire Box home this weekend. Watch out for videos on kandle.ie and iCatholic.ie in coming weeks featuring this year's campaign.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Please support the third National Collection for WMOF2018 which will be taken up on the weekend of 24 & 25 February 2018. Special Envelope in your box.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 3rd & 4th February, 2018

Offertory Collection €399.68 Envelope Collection €685.54 Many thanks.

GOSPEL READINGS –11th - 18th February

Sunday: Mk 1: 40-45 Mon: Mk 8: 11-13 Tues: Mk 8: 14-21
Wed: Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18 Thurs: Lk 9: 22-25 Fri: Mt 9: 14-15
Sat: Lk 5: 27-32 Sunday: Mk 1:12-15

WEEK –11th - 18th February

Altar Servers – Aoibhínn Doyle, Anna Doyle, Mischa Cassells, Layla Cassells.

Church Readers –

Saturday, 17th February – Katie Kehoe, Eithne Condon.

Sunday, 18th February – John Byrne, Anne Marie Kehoe.

Ministers of the Eucharist –

Saturday, 17th February – Tommy & Sadie Donovan, Sophie Kelly.

Sunday, 18th February – Marie Curry, Noel & Mary Kennedy.

LOUGH DERG

Rathvilly Kiltegan Parish **Three Day Pilgrimage** takes place from **Monday, 18th to Wednesday 20th June 2018**. For further information contact: Sophie Kelly 087 1302587 or the Parish Office 059 9161114.

RATHVILLY NATIONAL SCHOOL

Draw Results – **Week 5** – 5th February 2018

€100 – Kathleen Tyrrell. Promoter – Sophie Tyrrell.
€50 – Ciáran Brennan. Promoter – Ciáran Brennan.
€20 – Andy Healy. Promoter – Ted Healy.
€20 – Nuala Byrne. Promoter – Josh Blackburn.
Promoters Prize €20 – Selin Nolan.

Draw Results – Week 6 – 5th February 2018

€100 – Jamie O'Brien. Promoter – Evan O'Brien.
€50 – Annabelle Simpson. Promoter – Molly McGannon.
€20 – Brigid Joyce. Promoter – Dan O'Connor.
€20 – Joanne O'Brien. Promoter – Lexi O'Brien.
Promoters Prize €20 – Niamh Curran.

Enrolments – St. Patrick's National School, Rathvilly, Co. Carlow.

Enrolments for the school year 2018-2019 will take place from Monday 19th to Friday 23rd February 2018. Application Forms available in the school office, Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. & 2 p.m. or contact the school on 059 9161304.

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME VACANCY

Hacketstown SES CLG has a Community Employment Scheme vacancy for a Cemetery Caretaker in Rathvilly Job Ref. CES-2059686
For details on how to apply please contact Hacketstown SES Community Employment Office, Hacketstown at 059-6472923. DESP conditions apply.