HOLY WEEK

During Holy Week the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life on earth, beginning with his messianic entrance into Jerusalem. The Lenten season lasts until Thursday of this week.

Holy Thursday - The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday – On this day when 'Christ our Passover was sacrificed' the Church meditates on the Passion of her Lord and Spouse, venerates the Cross, commemorates her origin from the side of Christ on the Cross, and intercedes for the salvation of the whole world.

Holy Saturday – On Holy Saturday the Church is as it were at the Lord's tomb, meditating on his Passion and death, and on his descent into hell, and awaiting his resurrection with prayer and fasting.

The Easter Vigil - This is the night when the Church keeps vigil, waiting for the Resurrection of the Lord, and celebrates the sacraments of Christian Initiation.

Easter Sunday – 'Christ is risen, alleluia'. This is the ancient Christian greeting on this day of great joy and happiness for all.

<u>**DAY OF PENANCE**</u> – Good Friday is a day of penance to be observed as of obligation in the whole Church, and indeed through abstinence and fasting.

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

St Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny will be holding it's the Annual Remembrance Ceremony for families who have been bereaved by the death of their child through miscarriage, still-birth, in early infancy or childhood years. This ceremony will take place on Wednesday, April 11th in St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy, Kilkenny at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be available for everyone after the ceremony in the parish centre adjacent to St Fiacre's Church.

GARDEN & FLOWER CLUB

Rathvilly & Castledermot Garden & Flower Club will have an Easter themed Flower Arranging Demonstration by Adrienne Thompson in Teach Diarmada on Thursday, 29^{th} March at 7.30 pm. Entry will be 65.00 & raffle 65.00.

All arrangements made will be raffled on the night.

Tea, coffee, cakes & chat will follow. A great night is promised.

CATHOLIC RADIO STATION

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's Talbotstown

St. Patrick's Rathvilly

The Assumption Tynock

24th & 25th March, 2018

Palm Sunday

Pray for Fr. Jim Barry, St. Patrick's, Kiltegan who died in Cork. Funeral Mass on Sunday at 12 Noon in St. Patrick's Kiltegan followed by burial in the Society Cemetery. May he Rest in Peace.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday, 24th March at 7.30 p.m.

Terry Redmond, Delacy Abbey Liam Hayes, Tipperary Christine Donovan, Rathdangan Eileen Doyle, Lisnavagh

Kathleen Curry, Ballybit
Nan & Jim Kennedy, St. Patrick's Pk
John Foley, Bough
Johnny & Sheila Farrell, Yellow Ford

John Walsh, Cannons Quarter
Mick Walsh, Cannons Quarter
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The deceased members of the Farrell family, Yellow Ford

Holy Saturday, 31st March at 8.30 p.m.

Alan (Stick) Keogh, 2 Fr. Cullen Tce,

Dr Fergus Kirk

The Cummins Family

The Nolan Family

Dr. Elizabeth Harpur

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK - RATHVILLY CHURCH

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.30 p.m. followed by Adoration and Night Prayer about 9.45 p.m.

Good Friday – Stations of the Cross at 12 Noon.

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 5.00 p.m.

Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil at 8.30 p.m.

Easter Sunday – Mass at 11.00 a.m.

EASTER CEREMONIES - TYNOCK & TALBOTSTOWN

Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord's Supper in Tynock Church at 7.30 p.m. Adoration until 10 p.m.

Good Friday – Celebration of the Lord's Passion in Talbotstown Church at 7.30 p.m. Church open from 12 Noon to 10 p.m. for Adoration.

Holy Saturday – Easter Vigil in Tynock Church at 9.00 p.m.

There will be No Adoration on Thursday, 29th March from 10 a.m. – 7.00 p.m.

EASTER PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Tuesday, 27th March – Rathvilly at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 28th March – Tullow at 8.00 p.m.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS - Sat/Sun, 17th & 18th March, 2018

Offertory Collection €701.14 Envelope Collection €217.90 Many thanks.

Don't Forget! Chrism Mass 2018

You are warmly invited to join with Bishop Denis for the annual celebration of the Chrism Mass in the Cathedral, Carlow on Monday, March 26 at 7.30 p.m. followed by a cuppa in Carlow College, St. Patrick's. Please come early to be sure of a seat! Parking available in Carlow College; entrance opposite Court House on the Old Dublin Road.

CHRISTMAS CRIB DONATIONS

On behalf of Peter McVerry Trust, I would like to thank you and all St. Patrick's Church parishioners for your continued support and for your generous donation of €800 from the Christmas Crib in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly which we recently received. Your support and generosity ensures that Peter McVerry trust can provide crucial services to those who need them most.

GOSPEL READINGS - 25th March - 1st April

Sunday: Mk 14: 1-15:47 Mon: Jn 12: 1-11 Tues: Jn 13: 21-33 Wed: Mt 26: 14-25 Thurs: Jn 13: 1-15 Fri: Jn 18: 1-19:42

Sat: IX Mark 16: 1-7 Sunday: Lk 24: 13-35

WEEK 25th March – 1st April

Altar Servers – Kian Austin, Peter Carroll, Rory Gavin, J.D. Dooley.

Church Readers -

Holy Thursday, 29th March at 7.30 p.m. – Liz Austin, Susan Tobin.

Good Friday, 30th March at 5.00 p.m. – Sophie Kelly, Tommy Donovan.

Holy Saturday, 31st March at 8.30 p.m. – Esther Murphy, Lilly Keogh.

Easter Sunday, 1st April at 11 a.m. – Anna & Louise Colgan.

Ministers of the Eucharist -

Holy Thursday, 29th March – Norah Butler, Anne Marie Kehoe, Patricia Leonard. Good Friday, 30th March – John Byrne, Rose Lawlor, Ann Doyle.

Holy Saturday, 31st March – Sophie Kelly, Breda Reilly, Antoinette Kelly.

Easter Sunday, 1st April – Anthony Kelly, Mary Manley, Angela Byrne.

PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE

Accord Carlow have some spaces available on the following courses May 11^{th} & 12^{th} and June 8^{th} & 9^{th}

Couples getting married in church are required to attend a Pre-marriage course

There will be no courses in July & August

Booking can be made on line at www.accord.ie

EASTER COLLECTION for the Priests of the Parish will be taken up at the Easter Masses. Please use your envelope provided or one with your name and address. Many thanks to all who contributed to the Easter Station.

SLÍ AN CHROÍ, KILTEGAN

Bereavement Talk and Conversation on Saturday 31st March at 11 am at Sli an Chroi. All Welcome.

RATHVILLY KIILTEGAN PARISH DRAW

The Draw will commence on Tuesday, 24^{th} April. It will run for five weeks – 24^{th} April, 8^{th} May, 22^{nd} May, 5^{th} June, 19^{th} June. €4 per week. Prizes: €200, €100, €100, €100, €50, €50, €20, €20, €20. Promoters Prize €20.

4 Prizes of €50 on 24th April for fully paid up members.

Full Card €200. 11th Line free to seller of full cards. Draw Cards are in circulation. If you like to be a promoter, please contact the Parish Office 059 9161114.

"O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!" Psalms 118:1. This Palm Sunday we celebrate God's love that is manifested by the support we give to those in the world who are less fortunate than us and face daily hardship. People like Daniel from Uganda who appeared on the Trócaire Box in 2012 aged 9. Daniel is now 15 and doing well in school. The support Daniel's family received ensured that he and his siblings could get an education and dream of a better future. www.trocaire.org

RATHVILLY COMMUNITY ALERT

We are holding our AGM on Tuesday 10 April in the Phoenix Centre at 8pm. Light refreshments will be available. We are hoping for a good attendance.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 1 - 16 - 23 - 30

Match Three: win or share €150

Stephanie Whyte, Knocklishen, Rathvilly 1 - 16 - 28 - 30

Promoters` prize: Gabriel Deering.

Next draw on Monday, March 26th. 2018. **Jackpot €9,900**

<u>U11 Trip To Blackpool Tournament Fund Raiser: Golden Goals Results -</u>

Match 15, Man Utd v Chelsea (32nd minute), winner Clive Lambe, Hacketstown Match 16: Man City v Chelsea (46th min), winner Noah Byrne, Fr. Cullen Terrace

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 18-20-23-27.

Match 3 win or share €150

Kevin McCall Bough 6-18-20-23 Kevin McCall

Promoters Prize €20 Mary B. Kelly

Next draw 27 March 2018 in Molloy's Bar. Jackpot € 6,300

Thank you for your continued support.