CHRISTMAS COLLECTION for the Priests of the Parish will be taken up at the Christmas Masses. Many thanks to all who contributed to the Christmas Station.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 14th/15th December, 2019

Offertory Collection €420.01. Envelope Collection €641.97. Many thanks.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Christian Unity Week – Annual Table Quiz on Friday, 24th January 2020.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 5 - 7 - 23 - 28

Match Three: win or share €150

Paula Cummins, Slaney Bank, Rathvilly 5 - 7 - 23 - 29

Bruno Matassa, Bruno`s Take Away, Rathvilly 5 - 7 - 19 - 28

Kevin Byrne, Woodgrove Avenue, Rathvilly 5 - 7 - 20 - 23

Promoter prize's Laura Kavanagh.

Next draw on Monday, Dec. 23rd. 2019. Jackpot €8,000

Christmas Extra Draw

€150 was shared between five lucky dips: Louise Byrne, Rathvilly; Tony Carthy, Slaney Bank; Kehoe Family, Mount Lucas; Angela Harmon c/o Paddy McGuirk, Ricketstown, and Caroline Kehoe, Mount Lucas.

The committee of Slaney Rovers AFC would like to thank everybody for their support to the Club Lotto during the year and would like to wish one and all a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

ACCORD CARLOW - PRE-MARRIAGE COURSES

Feb 7th & 8th, March 6th & 7th, April 3rd & 4th, 2020

Book on line at www.accord.ie or phone Mary at 059 9138738 for information.

Counselling: Accord offers Marriage & Relationship Counselling by appointment Our fully trained Counsellors are there to - Listen to you in confidence and help you find your solutions to your problems. Phone Mary 059 9138738 for further details.

Ignite 2020 University Student Retreat

A three-day retreat of fellowship, formation and faith organised by students, for students. Dublin January 16-18 with Jason Evert, Fr Conor McDonough OP, Nashville Dominican Sisters, Fr Shane Sullivan and many more. Eventbrite 'Ignite 2020' or contact Sarah for more details on 087-0919646

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's St. Patrick's **Talbotstown** Rathvilly

The Assumption **Tynock**

CHRISTMAS 2019

22nd/29th December 2019

Pray for Eamon Lawlor, Coole Lodge who died during the week and whose Funeral Mass takes place this Sunday at 11 a.m. and burial afterwards in St. Patrick's Cemetery. To his wife, mother, relatives and friends we offer our sympathy.

Months Mind Mass for Ann Byrne, Sunnyside this Sat. 21st December at 7.30 p.m.

Saturday, 21st December at 7.30 p.m.

Fr. Edward Flood, former Parish Priest May Dowling, Rathmore Patrick & Elizabeth Donegan, Mount Neill Agnes Donegan, Rathmore Moya Mullin

Deceased members of the Moloney family

Jimmy Fowler, Birmingham

Paddy & Nora Quinn, Ballinlough, Roscommon

Thomas & Helen Foley, Rathmore and deceased family members

Deceased members of the Connor and McCarney families Patty Dowling, Ballyhackett and deceased family members

Christmas Eve, 24th December

Sarah Walsh, Cannons quarter

Saturday, 28th December at 7.30 p.m.

Jim Dempsey, Rathvilly Joe McCall, Bough Sheila Fitzpatrick, Mount Kelly Mary Plant Rahill

Ann O'Connor nee Plant, Rahill Harry & Bridie Byrne, Fr. Cullen Tce James & Teresa McGuire, Kylebeg, Lacken David O'Brien, Ricketstown

Peter Ralph, Delacy Abbey Michael O'Brien, Ricketstown Timothy & Patrick Doyle, Tobinstown Matthew & Margaret Byrne, Ballymanus

Paddy & Elizabeth Kelly, Ricketstown & deceased family members

Margaret & Darren Ludkins and deceased members of the Smith family, Coole

Saturday, 4th January at 7.30 p.m.

Peter Smith, 6 St. Patrick's Park

HAPPY CHRISTMAS to all the families in our Parish. You will be remembered in the Christmas Masses. Wishing you and your family every blessing during this Holy Season. Our thoughts and prayers are with those who are away from home and who are sick this Christmas and also for the families who have been bereaved through the death of loved ones during the year. Thanks to all who support the Clergy and to everyone who helped out in any way in the Parish during the year.

Please take a copy of Bishop Denis Nulty's 'Christmas Message'.

Carols by Candlelight this Sunday 22nd Dec 7 pm in St. Patrick's Church. This is always a wonderful event for the whole village to enjoy.

MASS TIMES FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEK

Monday, 23rd December – Mass at 10.00 a.m.

Christmas Eve -

St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Family Mass at 6.00 p.m. Vigil Mass at 8.30 p.m.

St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown – Vigil Mass at 9.00 p.m.

Christmas Day –

Church of the Assumption, Tynock – Mass at 10.00 a.m.

St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Mass at 11.00 a.m.

St. Stephen's Day – St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Mass at 7.30 p.m.

Friday, 27th December – Mass at 10.00 a.m.

Monday & Tuesday, 30th/31st December – Mass at 10.00 a.m.

New Years Day – St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Mass at 12 Noon.

Thursday, 2nd January – Communion Service at 10.00 a.m.

Friday, 3rd January – Mass at 10.00 a.m.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION will resume on Thurs & Fri, 9th/10th January.

There will be no Adoration during the Christmas period.

HOUSEBOUND

The housebound will receive their January visit on Friday, 3rd January. If any family would like a visit for a family member please contact the Parish Office.

WEEK - 22nd December, 2019 - 5th January, 2020

Altar Servers -

 $22^{nd}\ Dec - 28^{th}\ Dec$ - Rory Gavin, Jade Byrne, Matilda Keane, Sarah Keegan.

29th Dec – 4th January - Anna & Vena Doyle Saoirse Gibbons, Kirsten Doyle.

Church Readers -

Christmas Eve – 6.00p.m – Esther Murphy, Lily Keogh

Christmas Eve – 8.30 p.m. – Anna Colgan, Tommy Donovan.

Christmas Day – 11.00 a.m. – Brian O'Donoghue, Máire Bowes.

Saturday, 28th December – Marion & Aoibhínn Doyle.

Sunday, 29th December – Liz & Kian Austin.

Saturday, 4th January – Elizabeth Fitzpatrick, Dawn Cheasty.

Sunday, 5th January – Catherine Carroll, Susan Tobin.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion -

Christmas Eve – 6.00 p.m. – Catherine Carroll, P.J. Doyle, Lauren Doyle.

Christmas Eve — $8.30\ p.m.$ — Ann Doyle, Anna Mae Byrne, Mary Manley.

Christmas Day – 11.00 a.m. – Michael Kehoe, Laz Cullen, Anthony Kelly.

Saturday, 28th December – Breda Reilly, Tommy & Sadie Donovan.

Sunday, 29th December – Lauren Faulkner, Katie Kehoe, Máire Bowes.

Saturday, 4th January – Liz & Leah Austin, Victoria Faulkner.

Sunday, 5th January – Marie Curry, Susan Hughes, Patricia Leonard.

PARISH OFFICE – OPENING HOURS

Monday 23rd & 30th December 10 a.m. − 1.00 p.m.

Reopens on Thursday 2nd January 2020 – 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

GOSPEL READINGS - 22nd - 29th December, 2019

Sunday: Mt 1: 18-24 Mon: Lk 21: 57-66 Tues: Lk 1: 67-79 Wed: Jn 1: 1-18 Thurs: Mt 10: 17-22 Fri: Jn 20: 2-8

Sat: Mt 2: 13-18 Sunday: Mt 2: 13-15, 19-23

MESSENGER

If you receive the Sacred Heart Messenger each month, please collect your January copy in the Sacristy.

THE WILD FLOWER CAFE Christmas Opening Hours

Sunday, Dec 22nd –10am - 9pm Monday, Dec 23rd – 8am - 5pm

Tuesday, Dec 24th – Christmas Eve – 8am - 3pm

Closed 25th 26th 27th

Saturday, Dec 28th – 9am - 5:30pm Sunday, Dec 29th – 10am 5pm

Monday, Dec $30^{th} - 10am - 5pm$

Tuesday, Dec 31st – New Year's Eve – 9am - 3pm

Closed new years day Reopen on Thursday, 2nd January – Regular Hours

Celtic Cross Primary School Raffle from the coffee morning takes place on Sunday, 22nd December at 2pm.

COMMUNITY GAMES

We wish all the children and their families a very happy and peaceful Christmas, looking forward to seeing you all in the new year when the event will commence.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL BINGO

A huge thank you to everyone who came out to support our bingo session recently. Also, thank you to everyone who so kindly donated prizes, their generosity is greatly appreciated. Mrs E Condon was thrilled with the turnout and the money raised will be put to very good use. Wishing you all a very happy Christmas.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 7-9-20-29.

Match 3 win or share €150. 5 Lucky dips.

Eugene Brennan Ballyoliver
Ml. Dowling Knocklishen
Noel Doyle Knockavagh
Peter O'Neill Slaney Bank
Eithne O'Connor Rathvilly
Eithne Brennan
Dan O'Connor
A. Doyle
Mick Kehoe
Sue Molloy

Promoters Prize €20 Tom McCall

Next draw on Sunday, 22 Dec. 2019 in Molloy's Bar. **Jackpot €10,000** The club wish all our promoters and customers a very Happy Christmas.