

FR CRISTIAN PISTA

A reminder of Fr Cristian Pista who spent last July in our Parish. Since September 2019 he is back in Marsabit Diocese in a desert area of Kenya near Lake Turkana. He is in charge of developing the new parish of Turbi. The project of building a parish house has progressed rapidly. Fr Cristian often sends his best wishes and assures the parishioners here that we are remembered in his prayers. He is very grateful for the support given by our parish towards his mission work. We wish him and his people every Blessing of peace, health and happiness.

Pictures available on our Facebook page – Rathvilly Kiltegan Parish.

KNOCK SHRINE PILGRIMAGE

Knock continues as a Place of Pilgrimage During the Covid-19 crisis, pilgrimage Masses have been broadcast online from Knock Basilica every Sunday at 3.00 pm. Each weekend there has been a special welcome for the pilgrimage groups that traditionally travel to the National Marian Shrine for their own celebrations. Pilgrims have been able to place their petitions online on the Knock Shrine website in advance, so that they can be placed on the altar for the Mass. Many pilgrims light candles during their visit to Knock Shrine. This service has also been made available online: a candle is lit at the outdoor candelabra for each request received. Watch live at www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live.

GOSPEL READINGS – 31st May – 7th June, 2020

Sunday: Jun 20: 19-23	Mon: Jn 19: 25-34	Tues: Mk 12: 13-17
Wed: Mk 12: 18-27	Thurs: Mk 12: 28-34	Fri: Mk 12: 35-37
Sat: Mk 12: 38-44	Sunday: Jn 3: 16-18	

All the Sunday and Daily Mass Readings can be accessed from our website.

TRÓCAIRE

Thank you to everyone who sent in their Trócaire Donation. The Lenten Campaign continues during Covid 19. Anyone who still have Boxes can return them when we return to Mass.

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. The support line is open from 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

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

Email: office@rathvillykilteganparish.ie Website: www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie

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Local Safeguarding Representatives: Eoin Cheasty Mary Phelan
Elizabeth Austin David Carton

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

30th & 31st May, 2020

Pentecost Sunday

Pray for Fr. William O'Carroll, St. Patrick's College, Kiltegan whose Funeral took place during the week. Pray also for Tom Mills who died in England recently. We offer our sympathy to their families.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Saturday/Sunday, 30th/31st May 2020

Fr. Liam Fanning and deceased family members	Margaret Doyle, Tobinstown
Bridget & Edward Nolan, Rathvilly	John Doyle, Tobinstown
Robert & Sarah Molloy	Timothy Doyle, Tobinstown
Michael & Ellen Tobin, Rathmore	Laurence Doyle, Tobinstown
Michael Tobin Jnr., Rathmore	Jim Sibbald, Phelan Street
Vincent Balfe, Rahill	Andy Sibbald, Phelan Street
Matthew & Brigid Halpin, Hacketstown and deceased family members	

Saturday/Sunday, 6th/7th June

George Byrne, Maplestown	Andy & Kate Nolan, Bough
Pat Condon, Cnoc Mhuire	Danny Byrne, Bough
Constance Brennan	Jack & Mai Carson, Ricketstown
Denis & Maryanne Connors, Rathdaniel and deceased family members	
James & Norah Byrne, Ricketstown and deceased family members	

All Anniversaries will be included at Masses on Saturday 7.30 pm & Sunday 11am.

MASS TIMES NEXT WEEK

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – Mass at 10.00 a.m.

Each Wednesday the new Mass in the time of a Pandemic.

VIGIL MASS FOR PENTECOST

Join Bishop Denis this Saturday evening, 30th May at 6.15 p.m. as he celebrates the Vigil Mass of Pentecost in Carlow Cathedral and celebrate the birth of the Church and the coming of the Holy Spirit. <http://www.carlowcathedral.ie/webcam/>
Bishop Denis invites all Confirmation Candidates to join him for this Mass.

All Confirmation Candidates are invited to join Fr. McEvoy this Sunday for 11.00 a.m. Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION –Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

You are welcome to join Adoration - The Church will open at 10.30 a.m.

ROSARY – Tuesday & Thursday after 10 a.m. Mass.

VIEW ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ON OUR WEBSITE -

www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam/

**The Parish FACEBOOK page is constantly being updated – Rathvilly Kiltegan Parish
The Parish Newsletter is in Mace Shop, The Post Office and the Church.**

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.**

PENTECOST SUNDAY

‘Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven, for those whose sins you retain they are retained.’ Today we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles, when they stopped being timid, fearful men and received the grace and courage to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ, first in Jerusalem, and then throughout the world. The work continues as Holy Mother Church spreads her mantle of maternal love in people’s hearts. Christ breathed on the Apostles, giving them the power to forgive sins by means of the Holy Spirit. When the priest says the words, ‘I absolve you from your sins,’ he is speaking the words of Christ through the Holy Spirit, the same Christ who breathed on his apostles after his resurrection from the dead. The Holy Spirit reconciles enemies and works to build up the Christian community in all places and throughout time. On this fiftieth day after we celebrated the resurrection of Jesus, may we give glory and thanks to God for his gift of the Holy Spirit – the breath of God which breathes new life into our fallen world.

HOUSEBOUND

On Friday, 5th June Fr. McEvoy will replace his visit with a phone call.

Alternatively you can feel free to phone him between 11.30 – 1 p.m. or 3 p.m. onwards in the afternoon.

During the telephone conversation he will lead some prayers.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – Sat/Sun, 23/24 May, 2020

We thank all our parishioners who sent in weekly contributions, Easter Stations, Easter Collections, etc. Retired Priests Collection - €120.00

Weekly Envelope Collection €483.00. Trócaire €40.00

Any financial contribution you can make will be very much appreciated.

You can also make your donation to the parish by electronic banking. You can

contact the Parish Office for details or log on to the Diocesan Website

www.kandle.ie and donate to Rathvilly Parish.

KNOCK SHRINE TO JOIN POPE FRANCIS FOR ROSARY

Knock Shrine will join with Pope Francis as he leads the world’s major Shrines in praying the rosary to implore Mary’s intercession and protection amid the coronavirus pandemic. The largest sanctuaries on the five continents will be connected online. Pope Francis will pray at the replica of the Lourdes Grotto in the Vatican Gardens and will also be joined by several “men and women representing various categories of people particularly affected by the virus,” the Vatican said. The service will take place at 4.30pm Irish time/5.30pm Rome time. Fr. Richard Gibbons, Rector at Knock Shrine will pray the rosary from the Apparition Chapel, where His Holiness spent time in quiet prayer during his visit to Knock in 2018. The Rosary will be streamed live from Knock this Saturday, May 30th at 4.30pm on www.knockshrine.ie.

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

St. Patrick’s Church, Rathvilly will open on Sunday from 12 Noon to 4.00 p.m. and Monday to Saturday from 10.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. for quiet prayer but we ask you to please be careful and follow the guidelines.

1. Please use hand sanitiser when entering and leaving the Church.
2. Please use one way system and follow the signs.
3. Do not sit in the restricted areas.
4. When entering a seat, please put down the kneeler and leave it down when you are finished.

Masses will continue to be celebrated behind closed doors.

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS

1. Jesus comes into a room full of fear. Sometimes it is fear itself that makes us close the door on others and on God. Occasionally a person comes along with the gift of breaking through our closed doors, a person who comes to be with us in our fears. Do you have memories of people getting through to you and being with you despite your closed doors? Who brought you peace in a time of anxiety?

2. Jesus showed his wounds to his friends. Moments of grace can occur when another shows us their vulnerable side, or when we do that with them. Let your memories speak of such experiences to you.

3. As Jesus was sent by the Father, so he sent out the disciples. This evokes images of receiving and handing on the things that give life: values, meaning, sense of purpose, love. Who are the people who gave you life by what they handed on to you? To whom have you handed on what is life-giving?

4. In our tradition, the final verse reminds us of the Sacrament of reconciliation but its meaning is broader than that. Spirit-filled people are people who forgive. What difference has it made to you and others when you forgive rather than hold sins against others? John Byrne OSA

The Irish Catholic Newsletter is available in Mace each week at €2 each and also in the Church. Please put €2 in the Shrine Box.