

THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

We welcome Liam Dunne to our Masses this weekend. Liam was ordained a Permanent Deacon last weekend by Bishop Denis Nulty. He will be part of Rathvilly Kiltegan Parish Team. Liam is from Carlow Town. He is married to Ann and they have three daughters, two sons in law and one granddaughter. The Diaconate is an ordained ministry which is rooted in scripture. Chapter 6 of the Acts of the Apostles records how the apostles appointed seven men to see to the needs of community members who were being overlooked. This is the essence of the ministry of deacons: to serve those in the community who are poor and overlooked, whatever their poverty may take. Permanent deacons were very much a feature of the early Church but the ministry fell out of use over a thousand years ago and diaconate simply became a stage on the road to ordination for priesthood. Permanent deacons are not substitute priests, nor are they intended to take the place of religious or of lay ministers. In regard to the liturgy and sacraments of the Church, a deacon can baptise, preside at marriages and funerals, along with assisting the priest at the celebration of the Eucharist, including proclaiming the Gospel and preaching.

RATHVILLY CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Cemetery Collection this year. The committee would like to thank the Sibbald family for the kind donation of €507. This donation was in lieu of flowers at their mother's funeral by request of the family.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 6 - 13 - 14 - 30
Match Three: win or share €150 Mike Curran (6 - 13 - 14 - 20) Brian Curran
Promoter prize €20 Brian Curran
Next draw for jackpot of €12,200 will take place in the Parish Meeting Room, Monday 21 Dec at 8pm. Thank you for all your support.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 5-8-23-25
Match 3 win or share €150
Markie Doyle Collins Pk. 5-23-24-25 On Line winner
Clive Byrne Fr. Cullen Tce. 5-8-16-23 Paul Kelly
Promoters Prize €20 Mick Kehoe
Next draw 21 Dec 2020. Jackpot €10,000 The Club would like to wish everyone a very Happy & Peaceful Christmas. Stay Safe everyone.

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

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

Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie

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

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Mr. Mick Daly - Email: dlp@kandle.ie

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's
Talbotstown

St. Patrick's
Rathvilly

The Assumption
Tynock

19th & 20th December, 2020

Fourth Sunday of Advent

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Tynock - Saturday, 19th December – Pat Byrne, Tynock

Tynock Christmas Eve, 24th December

6.00 p.m. – Richard Donegan 8.00 p.m. – John & Catherine Grant

Talbotstown – Sunday, 20th December

Kathleen Boland, Portriton Paddy Kelly, Ballinroan

Deceased members of the Lynch and Kelly families

Talbotstown – Christmas Day at 10.30 a.m.

Mary Ryan, Talbotstown – 1st Anniversary

Rathvilly - Saturday/Sunday, 19th & 20th December

Eamonn Lawlor, Coole Lodge – 1 st Anniversary	Denis & Mary Kelly, Haroldstown
Una Brennan, Rathvilly – 1 st Anniversary	Thomas & Bridie Kehoe, Ballyoliver
Fr Edward Flood PP 1993-2009	James Doyle, Coole
Miley & Alice Carson, Raheendaw	James Doyle, Haroldstown
Matt & Rita Hanly, Dublin	Joe McGuirk, Ricketstown
Matthew & Christina Hanly, Williamstown	Jeremiah Wilson, Clondalkin
Patrick & Elizabeth Donegan and their daughter Teresa Donegan, Mount Neill	
John Dunne, Carlow	Deceased members of the Byrne family, St. Patrick's Park
Michael Connors, St. Patrick's Park	Rose & Hugh Foley, St. Patrick's Park
Moya Mullin, Rathdangan	Jimmy Fowler, Birmingham
Martin Mullin, Rathdangan	Paddy & Nora Quinn, Ballinlough, Roscommon
Sean Mullin, Rathdangan	Peter Mullin, Rathdangan

Rathvilly - Christmas Eve & Christmas Day, 24th/25th December

Matthew & Margaret Byrne, Ballymanus

Rathvilly – Sat/Sun, 26th & 27th December

Harry & Brigid Byrne, Fr. Cullen Tce

Patty Dowling, Ballyhackett and deceased family members

Rathvilly – Sat/Sun, 2nd & 3rd January 2021

James & Teresa McGuire, Kylebeg, Lacken	Sheila Fitzpatrick, Mount Kelly
Peter Ralph, Delacy Abbey	Joe McCall, Bough
Mary Plant, Rahill	Molly Lawlor, St. Patrick's Park
Ann O'Connor nee Plant, Rahill	Moore Family, Stratford on Slaney
Liam Lawlor, Phelan Street and deceased family members	
Paddy & Elizabeth Kelly, Ricketstown and deceased family members	
Timothy & Patrick Doyle, Tobinstown	

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.

CHRISTMAS WEEK MASS TIMES

TYNOCK CHURCH - Christmas Eve – Mass at 6.00 p.m. and 8.00 p.m.
Sunday, 27th December – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

TALBOTSTOWN CHURCH – Christmas Day – 9.00 a.m. and 10.30 a.m.
Saturday, 26th December – Mass at 6.00 p.m.

Kiltegan Oratory – Mass on Tuesday & Wednesday at 9.30 a.m.

RATHVILLY CHURCH

Monday & Wednesday, 21/23 December – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Tuesday, 22nd December – Mass at 10 a.m. We will be joined online by the children from Rathvilly and Rathmore National Schools.

Christmas Eve – Mass at 12.00 Noon, 4.00 p.m., 6.00 p.m. and 8.30 p.m.

Christmas Day – Mass at 11.00 a.m.

St. Stephen's Day – Mass at 12 Noon and Vigil Mass at 7.30 p.m.

Sunday, 27th December – Mass at 11.00 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thurs, 28/29/30 & 31st Dec – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Friday, 1st January – New Year's Day – Mass at 11 a.m.

As well as attending Mass in our Churches, you can participate in Masses virtually on the webcam www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam/ **RADIO – 104.3 fm**
We must all do our best to stay safe this Christmas and to strictly adhere to the public health guidelines in relation to protecting ourselves from the coronavirus.

RATHVILLY CHOIR

Due to Covid Restrictions the Choir can only have one musician and one singer.

Unfortunately there will be no Children's Choir this year.

We would like to thank the choir members and children for their participation over the years and hope to see everything back to normal in 2021.

ADVENT - WAITING IN HOPE

An Advent bulletin for the home. Week Four: 19/20 December, 2020.

Leaflet available in the Church and on our Website or www.kandle.ie

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you to everyone who contributed €715.00 to St Vincent de Paul.

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN SVP - PHONE: 083 1494412

PARISH OFFICE – OPENING HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 21/22/23 December 10 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

Reopens on Monday, 4th January 2021 – 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Tuesday & Thursday 10.00 – 11.00 a.m.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 12th & 13th December, 2020

Rathvilly – Offertory - €125.91 Envelopes - €2327.00

Kiltegan – Offertory - €57.05 Envelopes - €430.00

Many thanks to our parishioners who continue to give so generously to our Parish especially during lockdown by sending in envelopes and donating online.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION – This collection is to support the Priests of our Parish.

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.

Donation Buttons on Kandle Website: There are now two electronic 'Donate Buttons' on the front page of the diocesan website www.kandle.ie

CHURCH READERS & MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rathvilly Church: Church Readers –

Saturday, 26th December – Lilly Keogh. Sunday, 27th December – Susan Tobin.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion –

Saturday, 26th December – Eithne Molloy. Sunday, 27th December – Trish Leonard.

Talbotstown Church Readers

Saturday, 26th December – Siobhan Doyle.

Tynock Church Readers

Sunday, 27th December – Paula Boland.

PARISH ENVELOPES

2021 Envelope Boxes are being distributed at this time. We need your financial support to continue to upkeep and maintain our beautiful Churches. If you don't get a box of envelopes and would like to contribute to the Parish please contact the Parish Office 059 9161114.

A SPECIAL INVITATION – Cathedral Carol Service

This year the Cathedral parish invites parishioners from across the whole diocese to join in a livestreamed service of carols, readings and prayers. It will take place at 8:30pm on Sunday, December 20 and will be led by Bishop Denis from Carlow Cathedral. While many of us will miss our traditional carol services, this promises to be a very special moment of shared hope, joy and song as we approach Christmas. Livestream will be available on www.iCatholic.ie

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY SPIRIT

Carlow County Council is organising a Celebration of Community Spirit Event to coincide with the Winter Solstice on Monday December 21st. As we reach the end of 2020 this year of the Pandemic we wanted to acknowledge and celebrate the strength of the spirit in our communities which has gotten us all through this year as we look forward to lighter days ahead. We are inviting Community Groups the County to meet in their green/open space (observing social distancing) and light a candle at 7pm December 21st. A candle has been distributed to groups around the County.