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Some of the items featured in this weeks Irish Catholic -

Devotion To Irish Nun Thrives As Hopes Rise For Canonisation Cause

Five years on from her death, devotion to Derry nun Sr Clare Crockett continues to grow, as hope increases the Church will soon open her canonisation cause. On April 16, the five-year waiting period required by the Vatican before a potential cause can be considered for the sister – who died in an earthquake in...

Horrendous' Attacks On Catholic Homes Dubbed 'Sectarianism'

Attacks on three homes in Carrickfergus attributed to loyalists aiming to intimidate Catholic residents have been dubbed "horrendous" and sectarian. Windows of houses were smashed in three areas in Woodburn estate, with the PSNI saying a man wearing a balaclava was seen running away after two of the incidents. Responding to reports, SDLP Cllr Eugene...

We Need Worship Group Highlights Public Worship Plight

A Facebook page dedicated to documenting the suffering of those going without public worship in Ireland has "given a voice to people". Sandra Parada, of the 'We Need Worship' page told The Irish Catholic that the testimonies pouring in from around the country, and given a platform by the page, just "make my heart break"....

Dáil Must Change Rule Preventing 'Mass Ban' Query – TD

A prominent TD has said it is "extremely disappointing" that the Dáil refused to allow her to question Health Minister Stephen Donnelly on whether it is an offence to attend Mass. Laois-Offaly deputy Carol Nolan was seeking clarification because the minister previously told the Dáil it was not an offence, but the State is now...

SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPEL

Third Sunday of Easter - 18 April 2021

1. When we are not expecting it to happen, even a good event can startle us. So it was with the disciples when Jesus appeared to them. He sought to calm them and helped them to see the good news behind what had initially alarmed them. Who has been a Jesus person for you by helping you to find meaning and good news in life?
2. Jesus helped the disciples to find new hope, but he did not give them easy answers. He asked them to see the facts before their eyes. He wanted them to learn from the lived experience they were having. As a parent, teacher, friend or guide, have you been a Jesus person to another, helping him/her to find hope and purpose in life by learning from his/her experiences? Who has done this for you?

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

17th & 18th April, 2021

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

Third Sunday of Easter

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 17th & 18th April

Bridie Colgan, Rathdaniel – 1st Anniversary
Eileen Clarke, Waterstown – 1st Anniversary
Charlie Lawlor, St. Patrick's Park
Kate Lawlor, Phelan St. & deceased family members
Peter & Mary Doyle, The Moate & deceased family members
Tom Sibbald, Ballyoliver & deceased family members
Paddy Keogh, Tullowland & deceased family members
Micheál McEvoy, Ballyroan
Mick Connors, 3 St. Patrick's Park
Mary Gahan, Collins Park
George Gahan, Kevin Barry Road
Thomas & Katherine Doyle, Tobinstown
Frank Donovan, Tallaght & Rathdangan
Michael & Chrissie Byrne, Ballyhackett
James & Elizabeth Byrne, Ballyhackett
Patrick & Elizabeth Haberlin, Ballyhackett
Maureen & Joseph Deering, Patrickswell

Sat/Sun, 24th & 25th April

Mary & David Byrne, Patrickswell
Pauline Cullen, Dublin
Sean Corcoran, Rathvilly
Kate McDonnell, Greystones & Rathdangan
Elizabeth Heffernan, Rathdangan
P.J. Myles, Clogheen, Tipperary

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH IS OPEN DAILY FOR QUIET PRAYER

Monday to Saturday – 10 a.m. – 5p.m. Sunday – 12 Noon – 5 p.m.

MASSES THIS WEEK – will be celebrated behind Closed Doors

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

THE ROSARY will be recited each morning before Mass at 9.10 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Thursday 10.00 – 11.00 a.m.

The Church will be open for Adoration.

ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO

www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam

Radio 104.3 fm

GOSPEL READINGS – 18th - 25th April, 2021

Sunday: Lk 24: 35-48
Wed: Jn 6: 35-40
Sat: Jn 6: 60-69
Monday: Jn 6: 22-29
Thursday: Jn 6: 44-51
Sunday: Jn 10: 11-18
Tuesday: Jn 6: 30-35
Friday: Jn 6: 52-59

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

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 10th & 11th April, 2021

Thanks to our parishioners who left in Weekly Envelopes of €551.75 this week. 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.

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

PARISH FUNDRAISING

Tickets are now available for our Parish Lotto in conjunction with Kildare & Leighlin Co-op Lotto. The first draw will take place on Wednesday, 28th April. We would ask that all our draw promoters would come onboard and help promote it. We would also ask all our loyal parishioners for your support as you have done in the past. The minimum jackpot is €10,000 each week and this rises by increments of €1,000 weekly to a maximum of €20,000 if the jackpot is not won. There is also a €1,000 prize fund each week divided by match 3 winners even when the jackpot is won. If a promoter sells a jackpot winning ticket they will receive 10% of the jackpot amount as a promoter's prize. This is in addition to the one ticket per book they receive for selling a full book. For further details please contact the Parish Office.

TRÓCAIRE – Please return your Trócaire Box as soon as possible.

Trócaire's Caoimhe de Barra said that while Covid-19 may have changed how people make their donations, their generosity is needed to maintain Trócaire's vital work: "We are asking the Irish public to 'make your Trócaire box count'." "Trócaire's campaign this year focuses on people who are trapped in long-running wars, such as those affecting places such as South Sudan and Somalia. Generations of people in these countries have been forced to live through conflict. Their resilience and determination to help each other is remarkable. By donating to our Lenten Appeal, you will be helping them to help themselves."

COVID-19 SUPPORT LINE FOR OLDER PEOPLE

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

BIGSTONE NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENT

Bigstone National School is now taking late admissions for the term starting September 2021. Admission forms can be downloaded from the website: <http://bigstonens.scoilnet.ie/blog/admissions-2021-2022/> You can contact the school on: bigstonens1@gmail.com

BAPTISM - Individual Baptisms can take place with a maximum of six people attending. Contact the Parish Office for details.

NATIONAL SYNOD

The Bishops want to know: What would be your preferred option for engagement in a conversation process about a national synod?

The Irish Catholic Bishops announced at their Winter 2020 meeting a new Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland, leading to the holding of a National Synodal Assembly within the next five years. Before embarking on an initial two year phase of consultation, bishops are inviting submissions between Easter (5 April) and Pentecost (23 May), 2021 to reflect on what methods/models would be best to adopt in these coming two years of conversations. For example: focus groups, parish hall meetings, questionnaires, deep-listening sessions; written submissions; family-focused gatherings; summary of findings of assemblies that have already taken place across dioceses; and/or conferences.

Parish teams, parish pastoral councils and other parish groups, as well as individual parishioners can make their submissions, in not more than 300 words, via the Bishops Conference webpage: <https://www.catholicbishops.ie/synod/submissions/>

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 2 - 4 - 11 - 28

Match Three: win or share €150

Mary O' Toole, St. Patrick's Park 2 - 4 - 7 - 11 On Line Winner [37]

V. Rev John McEvoy, Parochial House 4 - 11 - 19 -28 On Line Winner [186]

Promoters Prize €20 Michael Kehoe, Rathvilly Post Office

Next draw 19 April 2021 Jackpot €13,900 Thank you for all your support

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 9 - 17 - 22 - 29

Match 3 winners: €75 each

Denise Smith, Online Eithne Brennan, New Road, Ballyoliver

Promoters Prize €20 - Post Office, Rathvilly

Next draw 20th April. **Jackpot €10,000** Thank you for your continued support.

A CORONAVIRUS PRAYER

Almighty and eternal God,
our refuge in every danger,
to whom we turn in our distress, in faith we pray:
look with compassion on the afflicted,
grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners,
healing to the sick, peace to the dying,
strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders
and the courage to reach out to all in love,
so that together we may give glory to your holy name. Amen.