

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Reflection *Mark 9:30-37 Deacon Rev. Liam Dunne*

In the Gospels, Jesus often identifies with those who had little or no social status at that time. In today's Gospel Reading, he identifies himself with a child. In the culture of that time, children had no social standing, no power or influence. They were valued for who they could become rather than for who they were. They were considered among the least. Yet Jesus says to his disciples, "*Whoever welcomes one of these children in my name, welcomes me*". He was trying to teach his disciples a lesson. They had just had an argument as to which of them was the greatest, who among them was the most important as the world assesses importance.

In identifying himself with a child, Jesus was declaring that social standing, importance, status, was not a value for him and was not one of the values of the Kingdom of God that Jesus came to proclaim. What is of value in God's Kingdom is becoming servant to all, including servant of those whom the world does not consider to have any standing or status, such as children.

Like the disciples, we can easily buy into a set of values that are not those of the Kingdom of God. It is only by keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus and becoming more attentive to his word that we allow his values to shape how we think and speak and act.

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*Forgiveness means giving up, letting go.
It has nothing to do with condoning behaviour.
It's just letting the whole thing go.
We do not have to know how to forgive.
All we need to do is to be WILLING to forgive.*

Louise Hay

GOSPEL READINGS – 19th – 26th September, 2021

Sunday: Mk 9: 30-37 Mon: Lk 8: 16-18 Tues: Mt 9: 9-13
Wed: Lk 9: 1-6 Thurs: Lk 9: 7-9 Fri: Lk 9: 18-22
Sat: Lk 9: 43-45 Sunday: Mk 9: 38-43, 45,47-48

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

IRISH CATHOLIC – available in Rathvilly Church each week. Cost €2.50.

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

18th & 19th September, 2021

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**The Assumption
Tynock**

Months Mind Mass: Fr. Christy O'Brien, Haroldstown on Thursday, 23rd September at 11 a.m.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Rathvilly Church – Saturday/Sunday, 18th & 19th September

Agnes Byrne, Ballybit

Sean Kehoe, Mount Lucas

Katie Bulmer, Waterstown

Peter Kelly, Waterstown and deceased family members

Elizabeth Haberlin, Ballyhackett

Myles, Elizabeth & Ann Keating, Ballyhackett and deceased family members

Michael & Kathleen Moore, Knocklishen

Constance Bray

Terence O'Brien, Collins Park

Jim Breen, Knockboy

Rita Paisley, Rathvilly

Rathvilly Church – Sat/Sun, 25th & 26th September

First Anniversary – Peter Gahan, Kevin Barry Road on Saturday, 25th September

First Anniversary – Joan Sibbald, Kevin Barry Road on Sunday, 26th September

Deceased members of the Gahan Family, Kevin Barry Road

Lizzie Sibbald and deceased members of the Sibbald family Phelan Street

Harry & Mary Byrne, Slaney View

James & Harry Byrne, Slaney View

Maureen Quinn nee Byrne, Slaney View

Jenny Curran, St. Patrick's Park

Gerald & Annie Cullen, Knockavagh

Padraig Coady, 15 St. Patrick's Park

Edward Drea, Rathmore

James O'Leary, Bray

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly NO MASS ON MONDAY.

Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday - Mass at 9.30 a.m. Rosary before Mass at 9.10 a.m.

Thursday – Rosary at 9.30 a.m. Mass at 11.00 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - Thursday 9.45 – 10.45 a.m.

CONFESSIONS (Day Chapel) – Thursday during Adoration and Saturday at 7 p.m.

Church of the Assumption, Tynock

Mass on Saturday, 18th September at 6.00 p.m. Reader – Paula Boland.

Mass on Sunday, 26th September at 9.30 a.m. Reader – Muireann Gartland.

St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown

Mass on Sunday, 19th September at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Siobhan Doyle.

Mass on Saturday, 25th September at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Breedh Murphy.

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to the children from Talbotstown & Tynock Schools who will be confirmed this weekend –

Talbotstown Church - Friday at 7 p.m. & Tynock Church - Sunday at 11.30 a.m.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to the children from Rathmore & Rathvilly Schools who will receive their First Holy Communion this Saturday, 18th Sept at 11 a.m. & 2.00 p.m.

First Holy Communion in Talbotstown Church on Saturday, 25th September.

First Holy Communion in Tynock Church on Saturday, 2nd October.

CHURCH CLEANERS

We ask all the people who sanitise the Church in Rathvilly to attend a short meeting on Tuesday, 21st September in Rathvilly Church at 8 p.m.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 11th & 12th September, 2021

We thank all our parishioners who contribute to the weekly Collections.

Rathvilly: Offertory €310.85 Envelopes €537.50

Kiltegan: Offertory €32.30 Envelopes €174.50

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.

PARISH LOTTO (Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Draw)

Results for 15th September, 2021 Numbers: 20 – 27 – 30 – 31.

No Jackpot winner. 5 Match 3s get €200.00 each. One local winner this week.

Brigid Reilly. Promoter – Trish Leonard.

The draw takes place each Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise.

On Wednesday, 22nd September the **Jackpot is €20,000**. Tickets €2 each.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

This Sunday 19th September the Diocese celebrates Safeguarding Sunday. On this day we turn the spotlight on safeguarding and remind our communities and parish personnel that protecting vulnerable people is at the heart of the Christian message. Safeguarding Sunday is about creating an opportunity for parishes to find out all the positive work that has been happening in terms of safeguarding over the past year. Safeguarding in each parish could not happen without the commitment and work of many paid and volunteer personnel including local safeguarding representatives, sacristans, youth leaders, choir leaders and priests.

We remember those who have experienced abuse in our Diocese and remind people of the Towards Healing confidential and free counselling service, 1800 303 416 Monday to Friday 11.00am to 6.00pm. They provide face to face counselling, structured phone counselling, family counselling and a counselling helpline.

The Safeguarding Committee has produced a short video to mark this day, and this will be available to view on www.kandle.ie

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

We now can have 50% capacity for all our Services. We still must adhere to: hand hygiene face masks social distancing.

MIGRANT SUNDAY

Migrant Sunday takes place on the 26th of September. This year we are holding a collection to support the work of the Irish Episcopal Council for Emigrants (IECE) who provides grant funding to Irish organisations overseas working with the most vulnerable of our emigrant community; from the elderly and isolated to the undocumented and those dealing with mental health problems. Please take an envelope from your seat if you would like to support.

BALLON BUSINESS CENTRE

We have a number of QQI Level 3 courses starting next month. 1 day a week for 10 weeks and are **free** if you are receiving a social welfare payment or Community Employment – Career preparation, Desktop Publishing, Internet Skills, Word Processing.

EIST CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

The Eist Cancer Support Centre has moved to 46 Idrone Park, Carlow. Contact us on 085 8661499 or info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 3-8-13-26

Match 3 win or share €150

Shirley O'Neill Ballyhackett 3-8-13-18

On Line winner

Promoters Prize €20 Bruno's

Next draw 21 Sept. 2021. **Jackpot €4,300**

Drive-In Bingo Wednesday night at 8pm sharp. Thank you for your support.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

LOTTO - No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 14 - 17 - 18 - 27

Match Three: win or share €150

Alannah c/o Bruno Rian c/o Bruno

Bruno's Takeaway

Trish and Fergal, Kiltegan

Fergal Harmon

Sean Leonard, Rahill

Michael Kehoe

Edel McGrath, Rathvilly

Edel McGrath

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Michael Kehoe, Rathvilly Post Office.

Next draw 20 September 2021 **Jackpot €16,100** Thank you for all your support.

Last Man Standing Fundraiser makes a return with a first prize of €400. Entries cost €10 per entry and there's no limit on how many times you can enter. The first game/week begins on Saturday the 2nd of October. Forms are available from all committee members as well as most club members/players. Always a very well-supported fundraiser for the club and contributes massively towards the day to day running of the club which has increased hugely now with the super new pitches and facilities that has been put in place.