ADVENT WEEK 4 Lord of Love

An Advent Family Prayer at Bedtime for week 4 You might like to light all the candles on your Advent wreath or your Advent Candle to begin your prayer. Loving God,

On this Advent night we turn to you in prayer.

As we make our final preparations to celebrate the birth of your Son, we ask your blessing on our family. Help us to welcome your light into our lives, a light that gives us the gift of love. You showed us the greatness of your love in Jesus, Emmanuel, God-with-us. You love us with an everlasting love. May your love fill our hearts, our minds and our home. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Together we pray: Come, Lord Jesus.

INTER-DIOCESAN CAROL SERVICE

An inter-diocesan Carol Service with music from both Kildare & Leighlin and Ossory will take place on KCLR at 6.15pm this Sunday, 19th December.

SOME PRAYERS FOR THE HOME AT CHRISTMAS

A Prayer Leaflet containing prayers at the family Crib, a Christmas Day meal prayer, prayer on the Feast of the Holy Family, chalking the door and welcoming the three wise men at Epiphany and more can be found

on www.kandle.ie/adventresources and on the parish website and at the back of the church. We invite you to use these short prayers in your home in these coming days.

SYNOD – WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT?

A 6 minute video, 'All you need to know – synod on synodality' can be viewed on www.kandle.ie/synod at the bottom of the page in the dropdown box 'synod resources'. Please take this Advent – Christmas time to pray for the synodal journey we are setting out in the months ahead.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 17-20-24-27 Match 3 win or share €150 Mary McCall Bough 12-17-24-27 Jenny Donegan Promoters Prize €20 Helen Deering Next draw 21 Dec. 2021 Jackpot € 2,600 Thank you for your continued support.

ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie/our-parish/webcam **Radio 104.3 fm**

Parish Office - Mon-Fri: 10 am - 1 pm - 059 9161114 Email: office@rathvillykilteganparish.ie Website: www.rathvillykilteganparish.ie Diocesan Website: www.kandle.ie Parish Radio 104.3 fm Local Safeguarding Reps: Eoin Cheasty Mary Phelan Elizabeth Austin David Carton Diocesan Director of Safeguarding: Ms. Kathleen Sherry - Email: safeguarding@kandle.ie

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's	St. Patrick's	The Assumption
Talbotstown	Rathvilly	Tynock
18th & 19th December, 2021		Fourth Sunday of Advent

Recent Death: Joe Doyle, The Curragh, Hacketstown

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Rathvilly Church – Sat/Sun, 18th & 19th December

Breda Molloy, Collins Park – 1 st Anniversary	Eamonn Lawlor, Coole
Patsy Molloy, Ricketstown	Gerry Wilson
Paddy Donoghue, Ballyoliver	Joseph McGuirk, Ricketstown
Patty Dowling, Ballyhackett & deceased family	members Bill Gahan, Collins Park
Patrick, Elizabeth & Teresa Donegan, Mt Neill	Annie Kelly, New Rd., Ballyoliver
Tommy Kelly, New Rd., Ballyoliver	Jackie Kelly, New Rd., Ballyoliver

<u>Talbotstown Church – Saturd</u>ay, 18th December

Kathleen Boland

Rathvilly Church - Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, 24th & 25th December

Fr Edward Flood, former Parish Priest James & Teresa Maguire, Lacken, Blessington Denis & Hilda Nolan, Collins Park Jimmy Fowler, Passage East, Birmingham Paddy & Nora Quinn, Roscommon Moya Mullin, Rathdangan Matthew & Margaret Byrne, Ballymanus Catherine Noctor nee Kelly, Waterstown Una Brennan, Rathvilly

Talbotstown Church – Christmas Eve at 8.00 p.m. John & Catherine Grant

Tynock Church – Christmas Day at 10.00 a.m.

Richard Donegan

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday – Mass 10.00 a.m. Thursday – Mass at 9.30 a.m. EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - Thursday, 23rd December 10 – 11 a.m.

PENANCE SERVICE – Wednesday, 22nd December at 7.30 p.m.

Church of the Assumption, Tynock

Mass on Sunday, 19th December at 9.30 a.m. Reader – Lucilla Brophy. Mass on Christmas Day, 25th December at 10.00 a.m. Reader – Siobhan Kelly.

St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown

Mass on Saturday, 18th December at 6.00 p.m. Reader – Siobhan Doyle. Mass on Christmas Eve, 24th December at 8.00 p.m. Reader – Mary Kelly, Feddan.

CHRISTMAS PENANCE SERVICES

Monday, 20th December – Tullow and Baltinglass at 7.30 p.m. Tuesday, 21st December – Hacketstown at 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday, 22nd December – Rathvilly at 7.30 pm.

Sat/Sun, 18th/19th December – A small Penance Service will take place after Mass in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve, 24th December

St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Mass at 4.30 p.m. and 9.00 p.m. St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown – Mass at 8.00 p.m.

Christmas Day, 25th December

Church of the Assumption, Tynock – Mass at 10.00 a.m. St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Mass at 11.00 a.m.

Sunday, 26th December

St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown – Mass at 9.30 a.m. St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly – Mass at 11.00 a.m.

<u>HOUSEBOUND – Christmas Visit</u>

Msgr McEvoy will visit the housebound on **Thursday**, 23rd **December**. If you would **not** like him to visit please contact the Parish Office 059 9161114.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS - 11th & 12th December, 2021

We thank all our parishioners who contribute to the weekly Collections. Rathvilly: Offertory \notin 365.98 Envelopes \notin 427.07 Kiltegan: Offertory \notin 163.32 Envelopes \notin 437.00 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 <u>www.kandle.ie</u>

PARISH LOTTO(Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Draw)Results for 15th December, 2021Numbers: 06 - 07 - 09 - 29.No Jackpot winner of €13,000.18 Match 3s get €56.00 each.One local winner this week – Liz Austin.Promoter Breda Reilly.The draw takes place each Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise.On Wednesday, 22^{nd} December the **Jackpot is €14,000.** Tickets €2 each.Thank you for your continued support.

GOSPEL READINGS – 19th – 26th December, 2021

 Sunday: Lk 1: 39-44
 Mon: Lk 1: 26-38
 Tues: Lk 1: 39-45

 Wed: Lk 1: 46-56
 Thurs: Lk 1: 57-66
 Fri: Mt 1: 1-25

 Sat: Jn 1: 1-18
 Sunday: Lk 2: 41-52

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The wife and family of the last Cyril Steward, 1 Woodgrove Ave, Rathvilly would like to thank most sincerely all who sympathised with them in their recent sad loss. We would like to thank Msgr John McEvoy for the visits he made to him during his illness, Dr Donal Curran Weaver Square Practice, our wonderful public health nurses and carers who cared for him, Carlow Kilkenny Home Care Team, Halligan Funeral Directors and all our wonderful family and neighbours who were there when we needed them. To all who attended the Funeral, sent Wreaths, Mass Cards or just thought of us on the day. Thank you so very much.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

TRÓCAIRE

Thank you to the people of Rathvilly Kiltegan Parish for your generous gift of $\notin 1,070.00$ to help people face these dark days and survive to see better days ahead. It is only by the grace and compassion of kind, caring people like you this work is possible. With your help, Trócaire is responding in East Africa: Ethiopia, Somalia, South Sudan and the state of South Kordofan in Sudan. We will reach the most vulnerable: babies, the elderly, children, women and men with disabilities and those who have been displaced from their homes by conflict. With your help we can provide clean water, medical care and life-saving food. Your generosity will help hardworking people survive these dark days and keep so many dreams and futures alive.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Thank you to all who contributed to the St. Vincent de Paul Collection last weekend. A total of €1,863.00 was collected. A special thank you to the parents and children of Slaney Rovers Soccer Club who donated food for the hampers.

ALHOMECARE

Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live-in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 991 6791 or 087 744 0729. Our website is <u>www.alhomecare.ie</u>

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. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

SLANEY ROVERS

LOTTO-No jackpot winner. Winning numbers were 16 – 17 – 22 – 26 Theresa Cullen, No. I Delacy Abbey, Rathvilly 7 - 17 - 22 - 26. Online Winner Promoter's prize €20 was won by Mary Kehoe, Rathvilly Post Office. Next draw 20 December 2021 **Jackpot €17,400**. Thank you for all your support. **Date For Your Diary** Carlow Shield Final: New Oak V Slaney Rovers- January 2nd. at 11am in Ballon

<u>IRISH CATHOLIC –</u> available in Rathvilly Church each week. Cost €2.50.

<u>4th Sunday of Advent</u> – prepared by Deacon Liam Dunne – See Parish Website.