

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Deacon Liam Dunne

Gospel: Luke 18:9-14 At rights with God

In the parable in today's Gospel, we are invited to place ourselves in the shoes of two characters who represent extreme ways of being in the world. The Pharisee's superior attitude immediately jumps out. He knows nothing of the efforts of the man praying behind him. Yet he dismisses him, and with him all humankind, as 'thieves, rogues, adulterers. As a religious leader, he believes he had the moral high ground because he fasts and pay tithes, the outward shows [signs] of virtue.

The tax collector, on the other hand, simply asks God for help. He is aware of his sinfulness, but open to hope and change. As Jesus interprets the parable for his audience of 'righteous' people, he perhaps shocks them by telling them that the tax collector is the one at rights with God. In Luke's Gospel, expectations are often subverted, as in the closing words of this parable, *"For all who exult themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exulted"*. This is a key teaching of Jesus repeated several times in Luke's Gospel (see Lk 1:52; 14:11).

While the characters are contrasted for effect, at different times we embody the characters of each of them. Like the Pharisee, we can rush to judgment, without even realising we are doing so. We make presumptions about people based on their appearance, accent, background or occupation. We place ourselves on the 'inside', keeping others on the 'outside'. When we remember that all people have their struggles, we are a lot kinder. Both of the characters in today's parable would like to be at rights with God, but they have a different understanding of what that relationship entails. When we come into greater awareness, God's grace is there.

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"Then and now there are those for whom the Good News is that there are insiders and outsiders and that we get to be on the inside. But to others the Good News is that there no longer are outsiders. ***Nadia Bolz Weber***

GARDEN & FLOWER CLUB

Rathvilly & Castledermot Garden & Flower Club hold their next meeting on 27th October at 7.30 pm in Teach Diarmada. Paul Smyth will give a Talk & Slide Show on Angela Jupe, renowned architect, garden designer & snowdrop collector. Adm. €5. Raffle €5 followed by the usual tea, biscuits & chat. All welcome.

ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

22nd & 23rd October, 2022

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Recent Death: Fr Frank Morgan, St. Patrick's Missionary Society, Kiltegan

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 22nd & 23rd October

Cyril Steward, Woodgrove Ave. – 1st Anniversary

Maureen Condon

Thomas Donovan, Rathdangan

Edward (Ned) & Kathleen Kelly, Rathmore

Jim Kennedy, Coppengh

Sat/Sun, 29th & 30th October

Mary Coady, St. Patrick's Park

Martin Coady, St. Patrick's Park

James Doyle, Haroldstown

Marian Cassells, Knocklishen

Margaret Ready, Nurney

James Meegan, Castleblayney

Bridget & Michael Byrne, Knockroe

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Thursday - 10.00 – 11.00 a.m.

CONFESSION Saturday at 7.00 p.m. at the Confessional & during Thursday's adoration.

Church of the Assumption, Tynock

Mass on Saturday, 22nd October at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Muireann Gartland.

St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown

Mass on Sunday, 30th October at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Joe O'Brien.

ROSARY – For the month of October the Rosary will be recited each Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Tynock Church. All welcome.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 23rd OCTOBER 2022

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. Please support – Envelopes available in each Church.

KEVIN BARRY

A Memorial Mass for Kevin Barry will take place in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly on Sunday, 30th October at 11.00 a.m.

Kevin Barry Commemoration Parade will take place on Sunday, 30th October at 1.00 p.m. Guest speaker is Danny Morrison.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 15th & 16th October, 2022

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €188.18 Envelopes €316.65

Kiltegan: Offertory €47.27 Envelopes €271.30

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

Results for 19th October, 2022 Numbers: 01 – 12 – 16 – 18.

No Jackpot winner. 15 Match 3s get €67.00 One local winner this week.

Winner - Bríd Smith. Promoter – Rathvilly Post Office.

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

On **Wednesday, 26th October** the **Jackpot is €18,000**. Tickets €2.

Thank you for your continued support. Full results on our website.

RESULTS OF FREE DRAW FOR LOCAL SUPPORTERS

€50 – Teresa Coogan Promoter – Philip Kirwan.

€50 – Katie Kehoe Promoter – Katie Kehoe.

€25 – Moira Cales Promoter – Tommy Donovan.

€25 – Ger Kavanagh Promoter – Kitty Kennedy.

€25 – Michael McEvoy Promoter – Fr. McEvoy.

€25 – Barry Leonard Promoter – Trish Leonard.

€25 – Frank Faulkner Promoter – Tommy Donovan.

€25 – Malachy Kearns Promoter – Trish Leonard.

Promoters Prize €25 – Tommy Donovan.

IMPORTANT MEETING FOR OUR PASTORAL AREA

As part of the necessary restructuring in planning for the future in our parishes, the diocese is now divided into 7 Pastoral Areas. Rathvilly parish belongs to the Tullow Pastoral Area which consists of six parishes (Rathvilly Kiltegan Parish and those with whom we form a boundary: Baltinglass, Hacketstown, Clonmore and Tullow as well as Ballon Parish).

Bishop Denis Nulty issued a pastoral letter in September inviting parishes to hold meetings and engage with other parishes in trying to assess the best combinations of parishes which could fruitfully co-operate in the sharing of personnel and resources. We need to agree on smaller groups of parishes which will in the time ahead begin this process of co-operation.

I would like to see a good number of parishioners attend the meeting in Tullow Parish Centre on Monday, 24th October at 7.30 pm. The centre is near the Parish Church and has plenty of parking in addition to the Church Car Park – **Fr. John**.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

Rathvilly & Rathmore NS

First Penance – Thursday, 23rd March at 7.00 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly

First Holy Communion – Saturday, 6th May at 11.00 a.m. in St. Patrick's Church.

Talbotstown NS & Tynock NS

First Penance – Wednesday, 22nd March at 7 p.m. in St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown

First Holy Communion – Saturday, 13th May at 11.00 a.m. in the Church of the Assumption, Tynock.

CONFIRMATION 2023

Tynock NS - Confirmation – Wednesday, 26th April at 2.00 p.m. in the Church of the Assumption, Tynock

Talbotstown NS - Confirmation – Thursday, 27th April at 2.00 p.m. in St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown

Rathvilly & Rathmore NS

Confirmation – Saturday, 20th May at 11.00 a.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly

REGISTRATION FOR SACRAMENTS 2023

Information night for Parents of Confirmation children attending the four Schools takes place on **Tuesday, 25th October** at 7.30 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly. Registration Forms will be available on the night.

Information Night for Parents of First Holy Communion Children attending the four Schools takes place on **Thursday, 27th October** at 7.30 p.m. in St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly. Registration Forms will be available on the night.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 11-13-16-23

Ned Doyle Tobinstown 3-11-13-23 On Line winner

Next draw 25 Oct. 2022 **Jackpot €7,000** Thank you for your continued support.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 7 – 8 – 9 – 14

Margaret Hennessy, Tullow 8-9-14-16 Peg Kehoe

Joe Lawlor, Woodgrove Avenue 5-7-8-9 Michael Kehoe

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Fergal Harmon, Kiltegan.

Next draw 25th October 2022 **Jackpot €20,000**. Thank you for all your support.

HALLOWEEN SOCIAL

Halloween Social in St Tegan's Hall, Kiltegan on Saturday 29th October from 9 - 11.00 pm with Dancing and Refreshments. Subscription: €10.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

Coffee evening and Sale – Friday, 11th November at 7 p.m. in D'Israeli School, Bough. All the usual stalls – cakes, raffle and bottle stall.

All support greatly appreciated.