

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

Deacon Liam Dunne

(Last Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43 A new kind of royalty

We have reached the last Sunday in the Church calendar. For the past year, we have been following the story of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke, and now, as he lies dying on the cross, questions are raised regarding his identity. People expected that the great Messianic king would lead a rebellion and establish his kingdom on earth. Many of those Jesus encountered, including the religious and political elite, the crowds, and even at times his own disciples, expected Jesus to act like that sort of leader. The Jesus that we meet on the cross is the exact opposite, which is why he is mocked. One of the criminals alongside him taunts him, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" A true king would surely be able to avoid humiliation and death, he thinks. Jesus is a different sort of king, and however, and at this moment the other criminal recognizes this. In turn, he experiences reconciliation and the promise of eternal life.

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus overturns expectations at every step of his earthly journey. Where people expected a mighty political leader, they get a gentle healer and teacher. Where they expected strict adherence to the letter of the Law, they got nuance and wisdom. Where they expected earthly power, there was death on a cross. Where they expected condemnation, Jesus brought only compassion. This theme of a God who lifts up the lowly started with Mary's acclamation in the *Magnificat* (Lk 1:46-55) and will continue beyond the death of Jesus. The story doesn't end here, for Jesus or for us. We have Jesus' example, his words, and his risen presence with us, and he keeps surprising us. Jesus' vision is for a world with no more exclusion and where the last will be first – and that's what the Kingdom of God means. We end Year C with the powerful image of Jesus as Servant King, shining like a beacon of light for the world.

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"The call to ministry is the call to be a citizen of the Kingdom of God in a new way, the daring, free, accepting, compassionate way Jesus modelled. It means being bound up by no yesterday, fearing no tomorrow, drawing no lines between friend and foe, the acceptable ones and the outcasts. Ministry is commitment to the dream of God.

Verna J. Dozier

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

**St. Brigid's
Talbotstown**

**St. Patrick's
Rathvilly**

**The Assumption
Tynock**

19th & 20th November, 2022

Feast of Christ the King

Recent Deaths: Tony Moore, London, brother of the late Mary Lawlor, St. Patrick's Park who died recently.
Joe Byrne, Bristol and late of Fr. Cullen Tce., Rathvilly who died during the week.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 19th & 20th November

Jack Roche, Dublin – 1st Anniversary
Catherine O'Leary, Williamstown
Liam McGrath, Knockroe
Mary & Laurence Dowling, Rathmore
Elizabeth Larkin nee Kavanagh

Sat/Sun, 26th & 27th November

Michael Curry, Ballybit
Micheál & Elizabeth Deering, Ballybit
Michael Loughnane
Seamus Williams, Coolmanagh
Ciarán Dunne, Rathmore
Jim Johnson, Phelan Street
Joe Dempsey, Rathvilly
Liam McCarney, Monaghan
John Colgan, Rathdaniel
Ann Moore, Williamstown
Elizabeth & James Joyce, Knockavagh and deceased family members

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 Sunday, 20th November at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Mary Byrne.

St. Brigid's Church, Talbotstown

Mass on Saturday, 26th November at 6.00 p.m.

Reader – Mary Kelly, Feddan.

Months Mind Mass for Charles le Mahieu on Saturday, 26th November in Talbotstown Church at 6.00 p.m.

REMEMBRANCE MASS - Sunday, 20th November

Tynock Church at 9.30 a.m. and Rathvilly Church at 11.00 a.m.

We remember all those who have died in our Parish especially those who have died in the last 12 months and whose Funerals took place in our Parish Churches.

RADIO MARIA

Fr Eamonn will visit our Parish this weekend. He will speak at Masses in Tynock and Rathvilly Churches.

HOUSEBOUND VISIT FOR DECEMBER

Friday, 9th December 2.00 – 5.00 p.m.

BAPTISMS – St. Patrick’s Church, Rathvilly

Baptisms will take place one weekend per month.

10/11 December, 7/8 January, 4/5 February, 11/12 March.

To book a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

Rathvilly & Monasterevin Parish Pilgrimage to ASSISI/ ROME 2023

Led by Msgr John McEvoy and Fr Liam Merrigan.

Visiting Assisi 25th – 27th May 2023, visiting Rome 27th – 31st May 2023.

Total Price: €1265 per person/ Deposit: €150. Return air ticket including 10kg luggage and taxes, Sharing twin rooms with private facilities for 2 nights in Assisi on half board basis, Sharing twin rooms with private facilities for 4 nights in Rome on B&B basis, Entrance tickets to the Vatican, Sistine chapel, Catacombs & the Colosseum. Single Supplement subject to availability for €195.00

Expressions of interest before 2nd December to Tullys Travel on 059 9136100

Applications forms available in the three Churches.

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

Results for 16th November, 2022 Numbers: 02 – 06 – 09 – 17.

No Jackpot winner of €10,000

28 Match 3s get €36.00 No local winner this week.

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

On **Wednesday, 23rd November** the **Jackpot is €11,000.** Tickets €2.

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

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 12th & 13th November, 2022

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €439.94

Envelopes €489.30

Tynock: Offertory €177.25

Envelopes €349.00

Talbotstown: Offertory €215.38

Envelopes €292.00

CARLOW CHORAL SOCIETY

Handle’s MESSIAH – Saturday, 3rd December at 8 p.m. in Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow. Tickets €20 each available from the parish office or

www.carlowchoralsociety.net

SYNODAL TIMES

Copies still available in the three Churches - €1 each.

THE IRISH CATHOLIC

The Irish Catholic Newspaper is available each week - €2.50 each.

GARDEN & FLOWER CLUB

Rathvilly & Castledermot Garden & Flower Club host Marie Dodrill for a Festive Flower Arranging Demonstration in Teach Diarmada at 7.30 pm on Thursday 24th November 2022. All arrangements will be raffled on the night. Marie is a renowned Floral Artist & has won many awards. All welcome. Bring a friend. Entry €5 & Raffle €5. Tea, cakes & chat afterwards.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 3-14-16-26

Match 3 win or share €150

Kevin Byrne Wexford 3-14-16-27

On Line winner.

Next draw 22 Nov. 2022 **Jackpot €7,400**

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 1-9-10-20

Bernard Cloney, Ballybit 1-3-9-20

Online Winner

Nicola Murphy, Phelan St., Rathvilly 1-10-15-20-

Online Winner

Margaret Mac Namara, Fr. Flood Terrace 1-4-10-20

Online Winner

Victoria Corrigan, 57 Ard Bhile, Rathvilly 1-9-12-20

Online Winner

Maire Bowes, Knockboy Rathvilly 3-9-10-20

Online Winner

Maureen McNamara, Bough, Rathvilly 9-10-20-29

Gabriel Deering

Winnie Keogh, Parkmore, Baltinglass 1-10-20-30

Breda Keogh

Promoter’s prize €20 was won by Anthony Byrne, Woodgrove Avenue

Next draw 22 Nov. 2022 **Jackpot €20,000.** Thank you for all your support

Golden Goal Fund Raiser Result-

Match One: Fulham v`s Man Utd.– Winning minute was the 14th.

Winner of €60 – Marie Connors, Collins Park, Rathvilly

BALLON BTS

Manual Handling Training on Wednesday, 23rd November 10 am – 12.30 pm or 6.00 – 8.30 pm. Cost: €50. Contact 059 9159447 or ballonbts@gmail.com

GRAIGUECULLEN MONSTER CHRISTMAS BINGO

In St. Fiacc's Hall, Graiguecullen R93P030 on Sunday 20th November 2022 @ 3pm

Over €13,000 in cash prizes to be won. Chocolates left and right of the winner.

In House Lotto with draw for 2 Turkeys, 2 Hams & 3 books. Great raffle prizes.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Daniel O Donnell in concert on Wednesday 23rd August 2023

Venue Mt Wolseley Hotel Tullow Co Carlow

Tickets now available from Carmel Dawson 087 2221434