

25 July 2021

NEWSLETTER

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NOTICE

*Following the most recent Government
Announcement*

***ALL planned celebrations of the Sacraments of
CONFIRMATION, COMMUNION AND
BAPTISM***

are postponed until further notice.

*May we continue to play our part in protecting one
another by following all HSE Guidelines.*



PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence:

even in times of loneliness,

You are my hope and my confidence,

You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

*I thank You for having given me a family
and for having blessed me with a long life.*

I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,

for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.

Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.

Gospel Reflection

Sunday 25th July – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

John 6:1-15

“You open wide you hand, O Lord, and grant our desires”.

Each time we gather to celebrate Eucharist, we gather to give thanks.

Like the fo9llowers of Jesus in today’s Gospel story, we thank the Lord who feeds our hunger and quenches our thirst. We give thanks for his living presence in our daily lives and for granting us all we need.

As we treasure the many blessings we have received in our lives, we pray that we can share these gifts with one another.

“Lord, touched by your hand, our world is holy.

Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, and to share your blessings with our sisters and brothers”.

Anniversary Masses

Saturday 17th - Sunday 25th July

SAT 24 11.00am JACK (JOHN) HALPIN, Lourdesville

6.30pm JOHN HIGGINS, Assumpta Villas

**SUN 25 9.00am HELEN MAHON, Cloughgarrett Abbey.
GEORGE & JANET REGAN, Campion Crescent
And Deceased Family members RONALD, VAL & BETTY**

**11.00am ELIZABETH CLARKE, The Castle
And FR JOE LINUS RYAN & FR. ALOYSIUS RYAN**

MON 26 9.00am

TUE 27 9.00am

WED 28 9.00am PATRICK KELLY, Maryville.. Birthday Remembrance

THU 29 9.00am PETER WATERS

FRI 30 9.00am

SAT 31 11.00am

6.30pm

SUN 1 9.00am JIMMY KERMMY

**11.00am FREDA NOLAN, st Anniversary
And JOE KENNEDY, 3rd Anniversary
JOHN, MARGARET & EAMON FITZGERALD
And Deceased Members of the FITZGERALD FAMILY,
Friarstown**

**Parish Office
Our Parish Office is open
Monday to Friday 9.30am – 4pm.
People are asked to phone or email the office prior to
calling so we can deal with your query.
Apologies for any inconvenience caused.**

**Ph : (045) 521352
Email: kildareparish@gmail.com**

**St. Brigid's Parish Church is now open each
day until 7.45pm**

Mass Times in St. Brigid's Parish Church

Monday to Friday: 9am

Saturday: 11am and Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: 9am and 11am

Vulnerable parishioners are invited to attend a quieter
weekday mass rather than returning immediately to Sunday
Mass,

Mass can also be viewed on our webcam – kildareparish.ie
or mcnmedia.tv

Reminder that FACEMASKS are to be worn in the Church at all times.

There are hand sanitizers at all the doors.

Doors will be open during the Mass for ventilation

Seating in the church is marked out to observe social distancing

We are asking parishioners not to kneel during mass and remain seated

As we have 3 aisles in the Church with separate entrance/exits, we can have up to 50 in each aisle. You must enter and leave by the same door and strictly no movement of people between sections before, during or after the service.

Please adhere to all Social Distancing Guidelines

First Holy Communions 2021

Following the recent Government announcement, we wish to inform you that there will be NO COMMUNION CEREMONIES until September 2021 at the earliest.

Confirmation 2021

Following the most recent Government announcement, all planned Celebrations of Confirmation are postponed until further notice.

Baptisms

Following the most recent Government announcement All Baptisms are postponed until further notice.

Weddings

Contact the Parish Office to book your date and for all information required

Live Streaming of Masses from St. Brigid's Parish Church

Log into: mcnmedia.tv – cameras – Kildare – St. Brigid's, Kildare Town.

Masses : Weekday: 9am Saturday: 11am Sunday: 11am

DONATIONS

PARISH COLLECTIONS If you would like to contribute directly, both bank accounts are in Bank of Ireland, Kildare.

For **weekly envelopes** the name of the a/c is: KILDARE PARISH.

The IBAN is: IE51 BOFI 9011 6711 587935.

For the Priests' Collections: (Easter Station, Easter Collection)

KILDARE PARISH CLERGY.

The IBAN is : IE18 BOFI 9011 6727 388762. We thank you for your generosity and patience. Frs. Andy and Adrian

You can also donate through our newly updated website: kildareparish.ie and clicking on the DONATE BUTTON.... And follow the link....

Accord

Catholic Marriage Care Service is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. Successful applicants will receive professional training and will be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally in accordance with best practice.

Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to info@accord.ie

The closing date for receipt of registration of interest forms to be included in Selections for this year is Friday May 28th

Registration of Interest form and additional information about becoming a facilitator are available on www.accord.ie

Men's Shed Kildare

The Men's Shed are looking for new members, if you are interested in joining the group contact Jimmy on 086 0655728

Kildare Community Garden

The group meet at Men's Shed, Campion Crescent.
Ph Georgina on 085 1389777 for more information on times they meet if you would like to get involved. Please observe social distancing guidelines.

Kildare Community Garden presents: HERB GROWING WORKSHOP
Friday 30th July at 7pm with Herb expert Denise Dunne.
To book your place for this free online event
Email:kildarecommunitygarden@gmail.com
Sponsored by Kildare Town Credit Union

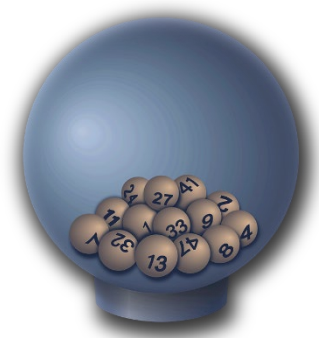
KCG Forest School

Wild Kids Camp, Cherry Avenue, Kildare Town
Age 6+, 10am – 2pm, €70 pw
Art & Craft, Games, Cooking, Fire, Bushcraft, Den Building, Swings.
July Mon 5 – Wed 7
 Mon 12 – Wed 14.
Aug : Mon 2 – Wed 4..

Book now, for more info & booking contact Georgina 085 1389777,
Emma 089 4517463. Or Email kcgkildare@gmail.com

Street Art Summer Project

Age 8 – 12 years
July 26th – 29th
With The Hive Youth hub, KildareTidy towns & Local Cartoon Artist Dermot Lutrell. To register a place, email lynne@thehivekildare.ie or on 085 2526839



K & L Kildare Parish Co-Op Lotto

Draw held Wednesday 21 July 2021.

Numbers Drawn were: 4, 9, 25, 26.

There was NO Jackpot Winner

We had 1 winner in the match 3 numbers game, congrats to PHYLLIS GALLAGHER who won € 84 promoter Ann Hill.

Congrats to: EDDIE HEFFERNAN winner of the local subscribers draw, promoter The Sweet Shop

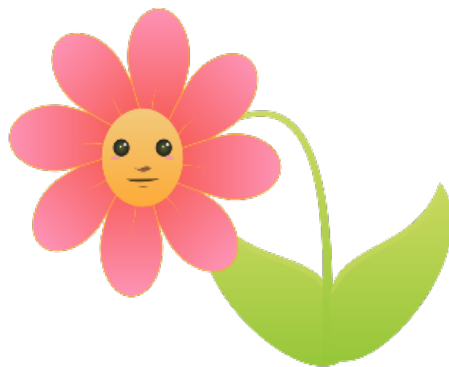
Tickets €2 each from, The Sweet Shop, Bernard Conway, Margie Sheridan, Fiona Reid, Ann Hill. Thank You for your continued Support.

Next week's jackpot will be €12,000.

Kildare Tidy Towns -.

Kildare Tidy Towns -. We would ask everyone to help by keeping their own areas litter free & tidy.

“Where litter lies Beauty dies



Community Employment

Nurney/Kildangan CEP - Please note we have the following vacancies on the Community Employment Scheme

Cleaner/ Caretaker required in the Friary, KILDARE Town

Administrator/Clerical Assistant required in the Parish Office NURNEY

Cleaner/ Caretaker required in Church/Parish NURNEY

Applicants must be in receipt of an unemployment payment for at least 1 year.

Working 19.5 hours per week.

Please phone 087 1745524 for details

St. Conleth's Day Care Centre

Win a SEAT IBIZA – Prize Draw in aid of St. Conleth's Day Care Centre, celebrating its 40th Anniversary this year.

1st Prize – Seat Ibiza

2nd Prize - €2,000 Holiday Voucher

3rd Prize - €1,000 Home Heating Voucher

4th Prize - €500 Tesco Voucher

More prizes including 4 Ball from Royal Curragh Golf Club, Weekend Breaks. Tickets €20 each or a book of 6 for €100, available from Day Care Centre, Aras Bhríde, Vincents Shop, other local outlets. For more info call (045) 521748.

Kildare Town Library

Would you like to be able to access your local library services on the Internet, download your favourite books or listen to audio books but you're not sure how to do this?

Let our Kildare Library Age Friendly Digital Ambassadors show you how to get online. You don't even have to be a member of your local library already, we'll help you join.

To find out more contact: Orla or Eileen
Kildare Town Library, Co. Kildare
Email: kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie
Tel No: 045 520235

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.

Drug and Alcohol addiction knows no boundaries, You Are Not Alone, help is always available. Please contact You Are Not Alone support group on 085-7872730 for a confidential and non-judgemental service.

St. Brigid's Cathedral, Kildare

Caretaker / Verger Required. The Caretaker/ Verger will receive a free house in return for certain duties which include preparing the Cathedral for Services, cleaning, keeping the grounds, opening the Cathedral to the public.

This position would suit a couple.

Application form and further details available from the Secretary of the Select Vestry, Mrs. Margaret Dunne: mandkdunne@gmail.com or Tel. 087 2210640

Lough Derg Pilgrim Path

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre.

A guided walk experience will be offered on Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September.

For bookings and further information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518.

Are you being called to the Permanent Diaconate?

The deadline for expressions of interest in the Permanent Diaconate is Saturday 31st July.

Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the altar and service.

Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin.

The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment.

A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in September 2021.

For further information please contact Rev. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st.

Tel: 059 9161114