

Sunday 2nd March 2025

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's Parish, Kildare Town
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*It is Spring, Lord
and my blood runs warm with the song of the sap
longing for a beauty I would become.
The buds are swelling on the bush,
and the sun is beginning to coax the colour
from where it's been curled against the cold.
There is a promise in the season
I know no name for except life,
and there is the mystery and the smile of it.*

*It is Spring, Lord,
and something stirs in me, reaching, stretching,
peaking through my defences, beckoning in my laughter,
riding in past fears, pulsing in my music,
and there is the mystery and the smile of it.*

*It is the Spring, Lord,
and I feel your power awakening within me.
Be with me in my reaching
so I will touch or be touched
this prayer time, this spring.
be a graced warmth, a light to unfold my life
to the new beginning.*

Author unknown



Anniversary Masses

Saturday 22nd February - Sunday 2nd March 2025

SAT 1 6.30pm ANN LYNCH, nee NOLAN and MARK NOLAN,
Formerly Maryville... 2nd Anniversaries
DIANE & PAUDIE SHEEDY, Swansea & Kildare
ROSE DONOHOE

SUN 2 9 00am PADDY & LIZZIE HENNESSY, Academy Street.

11.00am MAURA REID, Rowanville 4th Anniversary
FRANCES NOLAN, Harristown, 1st Anniversary
NICHOLAS & SUSAN CUNINGHAM and Deceased
Members of THE CUNNINGHAM FAMILY
PADDY & MARGARET RYAN, DECLAN, LIAM
and DEIRDRE McKENNA, nee RYAN, Fair Green

MON 3 9.30am JULIA MAHON, Athy
CORA LOFTUS, Tully East.

TUE 4 9.30am

WED 5 9.30am NORA & ENDA KINSELLA, Maddenstown
and Deceased Members of THE KINSELLA FAMILY.
PAT MAHON, Leinster Walk

7.30pm MASS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

THU 6 9.30am

FRI 7 9.30am

SAT 8 6.30pm DIANE & PAUDIE SHEEDY, Swansea & Kildare
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We Remember

ALICE CURRAN, nee SMYTH, late Melitta Road.
COLM WALSH, The Plains
SALLY BRADY, Portarlinton & Kildare Town
Who have died,

We also remember
JOE DOYLE, Melitta Park,
whose anniversary occurs at this time
and for whom mass will be offered.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions available each Saturday at 5.45pm

Mass Time

Week-day Morning Mass in St. Brigid's Parish Church
Our week-day morning mass (Monday - Friday) celebrated at 9.30am.
The Rosary will be prayed before mass

In the event of a Funeral, the normal morning mass will NOT take place. Instead, it will be replaced by the Funeral Mass on that day.

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: 9am and 11am

Live Streaming of Masses from St. Brigid's Parish Church
Log into: mcnmedia.tv - cameras - Kildare - St. Brigid's, Kildare Town.

Masses : Weekday: 9.30am

Saturday: 11am and Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: 9am and 11am

PLEASE NOTE

**The Church Yard is open
for Church and Parish Centre Use**

Monday to Friday

9.00am – 12.30pm

3.00pm – 4.30pm

Funeral Ministry

Kildare / Nurney / Kildangan have formed a Funeral Ministry Group which have received full training from members of the Diocesan Faith Development Services. This group will assist families in their time of need and great loss. The members help the family of the deceased to choose readings, select music for the funeral Mass and guide them through the entire funeral process which will provide an opportunity to celebrate the life and memory of their beloved. With this ministry we are looking to the future when the lay faithful will be more involved in carrying out ministries in our parishes.

The group formed are as follows: Marie Watson, Marcella Fullam, Alan O'Braoin, Esther Crowe, Mary Lennon and Ber Madigan

House Visits

Fr. Adrian visits the housebound and sick once a month.
If you would like to be included in the visits,
please contact the Parish Office on (045) 521352

Baptisms

Please contact the Parish Office on 045 521352
during office hours 9.30am – 4pm to arrange a date,

Weddings

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

Parish Office

The Parish Office is based in the Parish Centre – Aras Bhríde
and is open Monday to Friday

Office hours : 9.30am – 1pm and 2pm – 4pm.

We can be contacted on: Ph : (045) 521352

Email: kildareparish@gmail.com

“There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit.
There are all sorts of services to be done, but always to the same
Lord”

Would you like to share some of your time and gifts with the life
of our Parish in any of the following areas?

Liturgy: Readers, Ministers of the Eucharist, Collectors,
Flowers etc for the Church

Pastoral: Preparation of children and parents for the sacraments
of Baptism, Communion and Confirmation

Communication:

Maintenance of Property:

Care of the Environment:

**Would you like to reflect on what the call of the Gospel may be
to us as a Community of Faith today?**

If you are interested, please contact any member of the Parish
Pastoral Council, Fr. Adrian or Margie at the Parish Office.

New Facebook Page:
St. Brigid’s Parish, Kildare Town

Instagram:
st.brigids.parish.kildare

Web page:
kildareparish.ie

Safeguarding

If you would like to know more about safeguarding in our Diocese, look at the Safeguarding section on www.kandle.ie.

If you ever wish to report a child or vulnerable adult safeguarding concern, please contact the Diocesan DLP on (085) 8021633 or the statutory authorities of the Gardai, TUSLA, HSE.

St. Brigid, Her Definitive Story, by Tom Madden.

Meet St. Brigid as Child, Nun, Saint...

Her intriguing story will enrich you. The history of Irish Community life is fully captured in this book – ***St. Brigid, Her Definitive Story***, by Tom Madden.

It is a beautifully presented hard backed book published by Fitzwilliam Publishing and retails at €40 per copy. Trade discount 25%

Lavishly illustrated with original photographs and drawings that chronicle the early Irish monastic movement of which St. Brigid was a leader and innovator. This book is a ten-year thoroughly researched study of the spread of Celtic communities through Ireland and their embracing of Christianity.

St. Brigid's travels as theologian, educator, goldsmith and guest orator are explored as is her reputation as a prayerful miracle worker.

This book contains hitherto un-referenced details learned from the recorded lives of other contemporary saints who acknowledged her as mother patroness of all monasteries.

Her monastery at Kildare housed Schools, A scriptorium, Hospital, metal working and a most beautiful place for Divine worship.

The illustrations from all over Ireland are monuments to the care and inspiration of the communities where she served as educator extraordinaire.

St. Brigid – Her Definitive Story, is available from all local bookshops.

Or from : Tom Madden, Fitzwilliam Publishing, Assumpta Villas, Kildare town, Co Kildare R51 V020

Email: thomasa4madden@gmail.com

Ph 087 98138678

Kildare Drama Festival

Thursday 6th – Friday 14th March,
8pm nightly in CMWS HALL, Kildare Town R51 WN51
Adjudicator Alan Haslett.

**Tickets €15 per night / Season Ticket €60 available on Eventbrite,
Kildare Heritage Centre or nightly at the Door.**

Thu 6 – “The Seafarer” by Conor McPhearson, Enniscorthy Theatre Group

Fri 7 – “Thy will be done” by Michael Carey, Tinahely Variety Group

Sat 8 “The Weir” by Conor McPhearson, Brideview Drama Group

Mon 10 “Bailangaire” by Tom Murphy, Kilrush Drama Group

Tue 11 “Rathmines Road” by Deirdre Kinahan, Gorey Little Theatre

Wed 12 – To be Confirmed

Thu 13 “The Snapper” by Roddy Doyle, Clan Machua

Fri 14 “Ulster American” by David Ireland, Balally Drama Group.

A great night’s entertainment with a cuppa thrown in...

Kildare Tidy Towns

We would ask everyone to help by keeping their own areas litter free & tidy. Beauty dies... Where litter lies ..

K & L Kildare Parish Co-Op Lotto Parish Lotto

Draw Wednesday 26 February 2025. The numbers drawn were 15, 26, 29, 32..

There was NO Jackpot winner. We had NO winner in the match 3 numbers game.

Congrats also to ANNE ROBINSON, winner of the subscribers draw, promoter John Robinson. 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 €14,000.

Kildare Dementia Cafe

The Dementia Cafe gathers on the last Thursday of every month from 2.30pm to 4.30pm at Kildare Community Development Centre (old Presentation convent) It is a welcoming space for people living with dementia and their families and friends to have a cup of tea and a chat. Each month there is a short talk given by a guest speaker. For any queries please contact Anne 0864411255

Marriage Encounter Weekend

28-30 March 2025

Restore, Renew, Rekindle.

We welcome you to our next Marriage

Enrichment Weekend Friday 28th- 30th March 2025
Venue: Knock, Co. Mayo www.marriageencounter.ie

Seated Exercise Classes

Classes for people with Arthritis takes place in Aras Bhride each Wednesday morning at 10.30am sharp. Adm : €5 .. All Welcome

Graigucullen MONSTER Bingo

Tuesday 4th March
St. Fiaccs Hall @ 8.30pm.
Jackpot on 49 numbers €1870
Double number €600
Lotto €750

Kildare Town First Responders

Why not join Kildare Community First Responders!!
New and past members always welcome
Do you live in Kildare Town?
Do you have a few hours every month to volunteer in your community??
Do you want to learn lifesaving skills??
No experience necessary
All training provided
Help make a difference in our community.
Email us cfrkildaretown@gmail.com for more information

Cill Dara Wranglers

Line Dancing .. come and learn... class each Tuesday evening in Aras Bhride,
6.45pm – 9.30pm.... Beginners very welcome...
Contact Mag on 087 6344736 for more information.

QiGong & Wellbeing for Beginners

Monday – 6.30pm – 7.30pm. Wednesday 10am – 11am
In Aras Bhride – Kildare Town Parish Centre. Age Friendly
€15 walk-in / €60 block of 5 classes.
For more information contact Ambra – 087 1470210

Are you Handy?

Caretaker/Maintenance person needed with the Kare Community
Employment Scheme 19.50 hours per week
*You need to be eligible for Community Employment to apply -please check with
your local Intreo office JOB Number : 2377855
Expressions of interest to contact Elaine Nolan on 045-448700 or email CV to:
elaine.nolan@kare.ie

or contact your local Intreo office and enquire. Deadline 19 March 2025

PILGRIMAGES

WIN A TRIP TO MEDJUGORJE

Medjugorje Irish Centre Free Prize draw taking place on 1st April. Prize for one person includes 7 nights B&B, return airport transfer and flights up to €300.

To enter go to prize draw page on website

www.med-irishcentre.com

Tel. 01 443 4510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com

WhatsApp No: 00387 63 630 604

IRELAND: 00353 1 443 4510

Email: reservations@med-irishcentre.com

Website: www.med-irishcentre.com

Shrines of France

Parish- Lisieux-Normandy Beaches – Honfleur

Monasterevin & Kildare escorted Group Pilgrimage. 5 Day Pilgrimage departing from Dublin, 28 April – 2 May 2025.

Accompanied by a Spiritual Director – Fr. Liam Merrigan PP & Fr Anthony O’Carm.

For more information contact Monasterevin Parish Office 525 346 or Carmelites office 521391 or Marian Pilgrimages (01) 878 8159

Carmelite Pilgrimage to Lourdes

24th – 29th September 2025 – 5 nights.

Tour highlights

- Mass at the Grotto
- Anointing of the Sick
- Torchlight Procession
- Blessed Sacrament Procession
- International Mass.

Contact Carmelite White Abbey on 045 521391 or Joe Walsh Tours 01 241 0800

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Luxembourg

Honouring Carlow Trained St Willibrord

Join Fr Thomas O’Byrne and our ecumenical friends from the Diocese of Leighlin as the Diocese and the Cathedral Parish travel to Luxembourg to partake in the Annual Hopping Procession in honour of Carlow trained St Willibrord, Patron Saint of the Netherlands and the First Apostle of the Netherlands, from Sunday June 8th to Wednesday June 11th, 2025. St Willibrord spent twelve years in Co Carlow at Rath Melsigi, in the Parish of Tinryland, before leaving for the continent in 690AD. He is highly regarded in Belgium, Germany, Luxembourg and the Netherlands. Every year

the town of Echternach, where he is buried, holds a centuries old UNESCO World Heritage Status Hopping Procession in his honour. The procession is known as the People Who Pray With Their Feet. In 2017 the people of Echternach presented Carlow Cathedral with his Relic. Bookings for this unique pilgrimage through Tully's Travel, Tullow Street, Carlow Town, Tel: 059 9136100, €685.00 per person sharing.

Kildare Indoor Bowls Club

Meet in the Old Presentation Convent, Meadow Road, Kildare. R51 RF88. Every Tuesday and Friday from 7pm – 9pm. New members welcome. Contact John on 087 7417686

Kildare Community Garden

Kildare Community Garden meet at Men's Shed, Campion Crescent. R51 EH21
Each Monday & Friday from 11am – 1pm
All are welcome and the kettle is always on.... Ph Mary on 087 9562158
For more information

St. Brigid's Parish Church 6.30pm FOLK GROUP

Anyone interested in joining – singers – musicians are all welcome, just come along. The group meet from 5.30pm on Saturday evenings for practice. For more information contact Tony at 087 0920359

Jive and Line dance classes in CMWS Hall, Kildare

Learn to jive, waltz, quickstep, slosh, country line dance & lots more – at CMWS Hall, Kildare Town (R51 WN51), Monday 7.30pm – 9pm. No partner necessary. €10 pay as you go. For more information contact 086 8690332

SVP Shop

if you have any unwanted Christmas Gifts, please drop them to the shop. We are looking for donations of Paper Bags – all sizes. Opening hours 9.30am – 5.30pm, Monday to Saturday.

St. Conleth's Day Care Centre

Have you spare time?

Volunteer driver needed for

St. Conleth's Day Care Centre. Category D1 licence essential.

We are also looking for Volunteers to deliver meals, 1 hour per week
Contact Connie at 045 521748.

Cill Dara Irish Figure Dancing

in De La Salle Hall, Kildare Town every Friday night

Beginners 6pm – 7pm
Grade D 6.30pm – 7.30pm
All other grades 7pm – 8.30pm.
All classes are €3 per child.

For more information follow our Facebook page: Cill Dara I.F.D.C.
or ph 085 108 1847.

Monasterevin Ping Pong Club

are looking for new members. Open to all adults or over 16's accompanied by a parent. The club meet every Monday 20.45pm to 22.00pm in Monasterevin Community Centre. For more information contact Pauline 087 061 2689. find us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/monasterevinpingpong>

Art with Rebecca

This Art Group meet in Teach Dara, Community & family Centre, Academy Street R51 D803, each Thursday morning from 10am to 12 noon.
Cost €10. New Members welcome.

Nurney/ Kildangan Community Employment Project

Nurney Kildangan Community Employment Project Limited by Guarantee have a number of vacancies in Nurney, Kildangan and Kildare Town. To enquire about these positions or to find out if you qualify for Community Employment, please contact the Project Supervisor Mary Byrne on 087 1745524

Ladies only SELF DEFENCE

Classes Limited spaces – Female instructor. Saturdays 10am – 11am.
Eircode R51 PK70. Book your space on www.cilldaramartialartsacademy.com

Kildare Tidy Towns

We would ask everyone to help by keeping their own areas litter free & tidy.
“Beauty dies..... Where litter lies “

HUGG

(Healing Untold Grief Groups)

New HUGG Kildare

Suicide bereavement support group, led by trained volunteers with lived experience of suicide loss.

To join visit www.HUGG.ie

Call: 01 513 4048

Email: support@HUGG.ie

Senior Line

Would you like someone to talk to?? SeniorLine is Ireland's national telephone service for older people, open every day of the year 10am – 10pm. They can be contacted on Freephone 1800 80 45 91

Adult Literacy for Life

Do you know in Ireland that almost 1 in 5 adults have difficulty with reading and writing? 1 in 2 have difficulty using digital devices?

If you or an adult family member would like support, you can contact : Kildare & Wicklow Education Training Board at 045 988000. This service is free and confidential.

Kildare Country Market

New Bakers required due to increased demand!!

Drop in any Thursday morning to the Carmelite Hall, Kildare Town R51 X827
9.45 a.m. - 12 noon or contact us on Facebook: Kildare Country Market (cupcake icon) , INSTAGRAM Official Kildare Country Market
PH: 085 8445299 or Email: officialkildarecountrymarket@gmail.com

Just a reminder that Kildare country Market is on every Thursday morning from 9.45am – 12 noon in the hall beside the Carmelite Church in Kildare town. A wide selection of tasty home bakes available including bread, scones, tarts, cakes. Savoury meals also available as well as free-range eggs and homemade jams and marmalades. Drop in and have a cuppa n chat.

Kildare Town Men's Shed

The group meet each Tuesday from 10.30am to 12 noon.
New members welcome. Contact Jimmy on 086 0655728

Mortgage Arrears / Abhaile Scheme

Is your mortgage in arrears? Are you worried about losing your home? If so, you may be entitled to FREE Financial advice. This is a state funded service. For more information contact Financial Solutions Ireland on 085 8674883 or www.fsireland.ie

Good Morning Kildare'

This service provides a FREE friendly phone call on a regular basis to adults in their own home or place of residence.

It is a friendly chat about everyday things e.g., Gardening, Cookery, Sport, TV, Pets etc. All calls are strictly private and confidential.

The phone operators are Garda Vetted.

The service operates from 9.15am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday.

'Good Morning Kildare' supports Independent Living & Social Connection.

The service is supported by the HSE, DEASP, An Garda Síochána.

If you are interested in availing of this service or you know somebody who would benefit, please contact 045-859037 / 045-870268 or
E-mail:goodmorningkildare@yahoo.ie

Teach Tearmainn:-

Working to end Domestic Violence.

Provides free and confidential emotional support, guidance and information.
provides short-term accommodation for women and children who are victims of domestic violence. Ph 045 527584.

Kildare Small Jobs

The Kildare Small Jobs is a DIY property maintenance service for people over 65 living in County Kildare. For a subscription fee of €65 you will get up to 5 callouts. Each callout offers you two qualified, experienced, and insured KSJ Workers calling to your home for 1.5 hours, to get your small job done. There is no charge for us calling out to assess a job. For further information and a list of what jobs, we can do please feel free to call us on 086 060 7346

KILDARE SMALL JOBS is a Social Enterprise and a Community Employment initiative hosted by County Kildare LEADER Partnership, funded by The Department of Social Protection and Dorman Account Funding.

All-Ireland Pollinator Plan

Avoid using insecticides, fungicides and herbicides These potent chemical cocktails are designed to kill various organisms. One of the best things you can do for pollinators is avoid using them. Why: Insecticides have been found to kill, harm, and disorientate pollinators. Herbicides kill the 'weeds' that provide them with important food. www.pollinators.ie/top-ten-ways-to-help-pollinators/

Mass

Mass for the African Community celebrated in St. Brigid's Parish Church on the 3rd Sunday of each month. All Welcome

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.

Little Way Cancer Support Centre in Clane, Co. Kildare is here to help anybody in our parish who is affected by cancer.

Our services are free of charge for people affected by cancer (Patients and carers)



We are here to help you!

***Counselling,
Complementary Therapies,
Support Groups For Cancer Patients
and their Carers***

Our services are FREE of charge

*Little Way Cancer Support Centre,
2/3 Village Centre, Clane, Co. Kildare
Ph: 045902996
email: clane@little-way.org
facebook.com/LWCSC*

A message from an Garda Siochana

An Garda Siochana wish to warn people of a doorstep fraud and theft offence which has become prevalent over the last number of weeks.

Elderly People are being targeted at their homes by Criminals who are impersonating Gardaí. The offenders are fraudulently pretending to be plain clothes Gardaí who are checking for dud money. They have duped people all around the country and stolen their cash on the pretence of checking to see if it is genuine money. They are producing false identification to assist the process.

Advice:

- An Garda Siochana will never ask people about their finances on the doorstep of their homes and will never ask to check money
- Always ask for Identification and do not be afraid to question it. If in doubt politely tell the caller that you want to verify their true identity. If necessary contact your local Garda Station who will be able to establish quickly if the caller is a member of An Garda Siochana.
- Report any such activity to your local Garda Station even if you have not been the victim of a theft. That report could save a neighbour or someone else close by.
- Please check on elderly neighbours, family and friends and advise and reassure them

Kildare Town Library

All events at Kildare Town Community Library are free of charge and open to everyone. Some events may require booking.

To book or for more information, phone (045) 520 235 or email kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie and include your name and mobile number.

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

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Sensory Pod and Sensory Toybox

Now available for booking at Kildare Town Library or just drop in when you are passing and check it out for yourself.

Those using it have access to a calming environment - for relaxation or de-escalation.

Storytime for children aged 0 – 5 years

Fridays 11am

Why not come along and join in the fun. Lots of new stories and songs for children under 5 years.

No Booking Required – Everyone Welcome!

Online Coding Clubs with Kildare Town Library

and Coding Ireland

Suitable for ages 7 - 18

Kildare Town Library is offering free self-taught and self-paced online coding classes for children through Coding Ireland.

Our online coding lessons, in collaboration with Coding Ireland, provide accessible resources for children and young adults to learn digital skills at home and at their own pace.

Book here for Ages 7 – 9

Book here for Ages 10 – 12

Book here for Ages 13 – 15

Book here for Ages 16 – 18

Ireland Reads Event: Make your own Nature Journal with Georgina Kemmy

Saturday 22nd February 2pm – 4pm Suitable for ages 5 – 12 yrs

Hapa Zome is a Japanese term meaning leaf-dye. It is a form of eco printing that involves transferring the colours and shapes of plant material onto fabric or paper by pounding with a hammer.

In this workshop we will use foraged plants and flowers to create botanical prints on fabric. This print will then be used as the cover for our nature journal.

A perfect introduction to the magical art of textile printing.

Book here for Ireland Reads: Make your own nature journal with Georgina Kemmy

Children's Book Club

Friday 28th February 3.30pm – 4pm Suitable for ages 8 - 12

Calling all bookworms aged between 8-12 - you are invited to join a new, exciting book club at Kildare Town Library. Join us for a lively discussion on what you loved or loathed about the chosen book. We will meet the last Friday of every month from 3.30pm – 4pm.

Places are limited so book a place as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. You can do this by contacting Kildare Town library -

Phone: 045 520235 or email kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

Féile Bríde: A Literary Kildare Evening for Brigid

Thursday 6th February 7 - 9 pm

Come and join in the Celebration of Feile Bride with an Evening of literature and music at Kildare Town library

The evening will feature poetry, stories, and traditional music with Mae Leonard and the best of Kildare writers and musicians.

Mae Leonard has been living in Co. Kildare for over 50 years and has been the recipient of numerous literary awards. She is a long-time contributor on RTE's Sunday Miscellany, Living Word and A Word in Edgeways. Published poetry collections, Short Stories and in The Irish Times, Ireland's Own, Limerick Leader. No booking required – everyone welcome!

Celebrating Irish Crafts Intergenerational Workshops

Intergenerational Workshops

Saturday 8th February – Saturday 1st March

Every Saturday for 4 Weeks 11am – 1pm

Why not drop in to Georgina Kemmy free intergenerational workshops. In these workshops there will be an opportunity to learn a skill & teach a skill.

Project funded by Brigid Spiorad Chill Dara / Spirit of Kildare

Suitable for all ages. Everyone welcome. No booking required

Retro Cinema Club

Wednesday 5th February 11am – 12pm

Step back in time with the Retro Cinema Club! Join us for a friendly gathering featuring classic films, delightful conversation, and a cozy cup of tea.

Whether you're a lifelong movie buff or simply looking for a relaxed way to spend your afternoon, this event is the perfect opportunity to enjoy nostalgic cinema and connect with others in Kildare Town Library.

No booking required – all welcome!

'A Chat About Books' Book Club

Wednesday 19th February 11am – 12pm

Have you ever read a book and said I wish I could talk to someone about it? - well this book club could appeal to you. We will meet every month to trade information and share what we have read in the last month. Not every book has to get the thumbs

up but there will be an opportunity to take note of books that interest you. Afterwards you are welcome to order them at the library desk.
No Booking Required – All Welcome!

Midlands LGBT + Book Club

Thursday 20th February 6.30 – 7.30pm

Kildare Town Library's new book club for adults in collaboration with Midlands LGBT+ Project, where we will focus on books with LGBTQ+ themes or by LGBTQ+ authors.

This month we will be reading *The Future Was Color* by Patrick Nathan. Copies of the book are available at the desk.

To enquire about joining, email kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie or phone (045) 520 235.

Kildare Library Book Club

Thursday 27th February 6.30pm

The Kildare Town Library book club meets on the last Thursday of every month. New members are welcome, and copies of this month's book can be collected from the main desk. In February, the book club will be discussing *I See You* by Clare Mackintosh.

Enquiries to Kildare Library: 045 520235 or email kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

Ciorcal Comhrá

Déardaoin 13th agus 27th Feabhra 3.00 – 4.30pm

Táimid go léir ag bailiú le chéile i Leabharlann Baile Chill Dara

Gach eolas ón leabharlann: Fón: 045 520235 / Ríomhphost kildarelib@kildarecoco.ie

Daoine Fásta – Adults

Community Craft Group

Wednesdays 10am

Enquiries to Kildare Library - Phone: 045 520235

Get Crafty!

Thursdays 6.30pm

Take some time-out for yourself to knit, sew, crochet, quilt – whatever your passion!

Everyone welcome – Enquires to Kildare Library - Phone: 045 520235

Employ Ability Services, Drop-in Clinic

Every Friday 10.00am – 1.00pm

Are you looking to return to work after illness, injury or disability? Or maybe you're an employer looking to take on new staff? We may be able to help.

Free and friendly advice for Job Seekers and Employers, provided by Employ Ability Service.

Drop in and chat to Gerard at the library any Friday from 10am – 1pm.

Let's Talk Parenting: Raising Bilingual Children in Ireland

Presented by Francesca La Morgia

Thursday 20th February 7 – 8pm

Why do some bilingual children prefer one language over the other? Is it true that bilingual children start speaking late? How can I help my child to develop two languages at the same time? How long will it take for my child to start speaking the school language? Is it too late to start speaking my mother tongue to my child? These and other questions will be addressed in this informative talk. Parents will learn about bilingual language development and about some of the most common strategies to support their child's linguistic development throughout childhood. Parents will also find out more about the cognitive, social and educational benefits of bilingualism across the lifespan.

Book here for Raising Bilingual Children in Ireland

Age Friendly Coffee Mornings for over 55s

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