Mass Times and Intentions for 19th June 2021

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 19th June

Betty Domican (6th A). 10.00am

6.30pm George Domican (Birthday Remembrance),

Mary and Bernard Dunne (A) and deceased members

of the Dunne family, Betty Domican (6th A), Helena Mackey (A)

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 20th June Mass

Kilcullen Church

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11.00am Nora Shelley (A), Daisy Sammon (A)

Monday

9.30am Mass

Tuesday

Scoil Bhríde 6th class Graduation 9.30am

Wednesday

9.30am Mass

Thursday

9.30am Mary Frances Reilly (A), J.J. Hillery (Birthday Remembrance)

Bridget Fleming (A) Dick Allen (remembrance),

Ned O'Rourke (Birthday Remembrance)

Friday

9.30am Mass for the Living and the Deceased

Saturday

John Mulvihill (A) 10.00am

6.30pm Breda Patterson (1st A)

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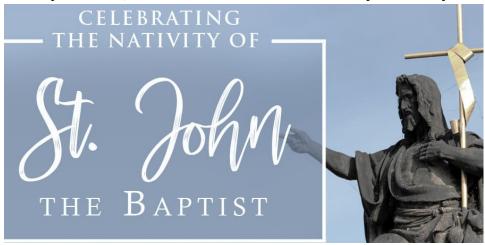
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Sunday 20th June, 2021

12th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Prayer to St. John the Baptist

Oh God, you gave St. Elizabeth, in her old age, the gift of a son, St. John the Baptist, who would prepare the way for Jesus to begin His ministry here on earth.

Lord, Fill Your people with the joy of possessing graces like those of Saint John the Baptist, and direct the minds of all us in the way of salvation and peace. St. John was martyred for truth and justice, so may we Dear God, energetically profess our Faith in You, and help us to lead others to Your Way, Your Truth, and Your Eternal Life.

Amen.

Pieces

1. Last week I mentioned that I planned to bless the graves in New Abbey, St Brigid's, Gormanstown and Old Kilcullen - and they were all blessed before last weekend.

A much better blessing than anything I can do is just visiting the graves yourselves. The family grave (especially visiting as a family), the grave of a friend, the grave of someone you know has nobody left to visit that grave. Your presence and your prayers bless the grave.

What's a pilgrimage? We can make a pilgrimage to these graves - a journey in faith and hope and love.

2. TV drama: I didn't see any of Mare (pronounced Máire?) of Easttown, and saw about two episodes of Line of Duty. A review I read spoke of "the defining Catholicism of Chief Inspector Ted Hastings in "Line of Duty"

The review ends: The genre of "Catholic Fiction" no longer has the meaning and coherence of when Graham Greene, Evelyn Waugh, Muriel Spark and David Lodge were writing novels to which practice and theology were central. But the form has resurrected, unexpectedly, in peacetime TV crime drama. Mare of Easttown is a masterpiece of Catholic literature.

Many years ago Graham Greene commented that the faith framework is helpful for fiction because "the stakes are so high".

3. Iona Abbey reopened this month in time for the 1,500th anniversary of the birth of St Columba. In March 2018 the project had to raise over £300,000 (of the £3.75m urgent refurbishment) by May of the same year. The person supporting them in marketing the project said "you need a miracle in May". The appeal coordinator said they'd never raise £300,000 in a month. The reply? If you lot don't believe that, then where does that leave the rest of us! So they started a campaign called Miracle in May and raised £312,000.

Father Niall Mackey

Thought for the Week:

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank God for all that He, in His goodness, sends to us day after day." St. Gianna Molla

Diary Week 21st June 2021

Monday 21st June

10.00am AA meeting

Tuesday 22nd

9.00pm Lotto Draw (Public cannot attend)

The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen and Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw** on Tuesday 15 June 2021 were 7, 12, 20 and 25. There was no Jackpot winner and next week's main prize will be €18,000.

The follow-up draw stands at €7,200.

The winners of the €50 Open Draws were Noel Sherry (Promoter Vivian Clarke), Helen Culleton (Mick Dunne) and Mary Curley (Vivian Clarke). The winners of the Promoters Draw were Dominic Farrell and May Coyne.

The Parish thanks all for their support of the Lotto.

SOS Prayerline 083-3377897 Monday-Friday 1.30pm to 4.30pm

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

Our prayers are fulfilled and completed when we intercede for others and take care of their concerns and needs. <u>#Prayer</u> does not separate us or isolate us from anyone, as it is love for all.

Where there is no honour for the <u>#eldery</u>, there is no future for the young.

The seed of our good works can seem like a small thing, yet all that is good pertains to God, and thus it humbly, slowly bears fruit. Good always grows in a humble, hidden, often invisible way.