

Mass Times and Intentions for 16th January 2021

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 16th Jan

10.00am Mass
6.30pm Phil McGrath (A), Ben Guidera (A), Angela Kearney (A),
John Darby (A), Nicole Dowling (A)

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 17th Jan No Mass due to Covid-19 Restrictions

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 17th Jan

11.00am Nick Strong (Months Mind), Joan Birchall (Remembrance)

Monday 18th

9.30am Mass

Tuesday 19th

9.30am Sheila Bergin (12th A) & her parents
Patrick & Brigid Berry (Remembrance)

Wednesday 20th

9.30am Mass

Thursday 21st

9.30am Mass

Friday 22nd

9.30am Mass for Living and Deceased

Saturday 23rd Jan

10.00am Mass
6.30pm Elizabeth (Babs) Fitzpatrick (4th A) & her son in law
Ben Thumbadoo (1st A)

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Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

Church of the Sacred Heart & St. Brigid, Kilcullen.
Church of St. Joseph, Gormanstown.

Sunday 17th January, 2021

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

A Prayer for Hope and Peace

Heavenly father, I am your humble servant,
I come before you today in need of hope.
I need hope for a calm and joyful future.
I need hope for love and kindness.
I pray for peace and safety.
Some say that the sky is at its
darkest just before the light.
I pray that this is true, for today seems stormy
and dim.
I need your light, Lord, in every way.
I pray to be filled with your light.
Help me to walk in your light, and live
my life in faith and service.
In your name I pray,
Amen.

He was LXXXI

Father Reginald Foster died on Christmas Day 2020. He was an official Latinist for the Vatican, he had tested positive for the virus two weeks earlier. He was 81. Or as an obituary in the New York Times said, he was LXXXI.

I'm two years younger than he was, and like him when I started secondary school Latin was one of the standard subjects - and he fell in love with Latin.

A monk (a Discalced Carmelite), he served four popes, composing original documents in Latin and translating pope's speeches and other writings into Latin from a series of papal languages (he was fluent in Italian, German and Greek).

He retired in 2009 and resettled in Milwaukee but continued to prepare the pope's Latin tweets.

Bank ATMs often offer a choice of language to the customer, he wrote the Latin version! Pope John Paul II approved a no-smoking ordinance in Vatican City, he did the Latin No Smoking signs. A congratulatory letter to a cardinal or bishop? No problem.

In 2006 he was dismissed from the Gregorian University in Rome (where he had taught for decades) - he refused to charge his students tuition! He continued the class in a series of off-campus locations.

There's much more: look him up in the New York Times.

Father Niall Mackey

Mass is broadcast each day on

Radio: FM107

Webcam: : www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/kilcullen/

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 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**

Diary Week 18th January 2021

There will be no AA Meetings in the Parish Centre for the month of January due to Government restrictions

The parish office is currently closed to the public due to Government restrictions. Emails will be monitored.

Masses can be booked by sending an email to kilcullenparish@gmail.com or you can drop a note with your request in one of the letter boxes at the priest's house.

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

In difficult and dark moments let us find the courage to say: "Blessed are you, Lord". Let us praise the Lord: this will be so good for us.

We possess a great wealth that depends on what we are: the life we have received, the good within us, the indelible beauty God has given us by making us in his image. All these things make each of us precious in his eyes, each one of us is priceless and unique in history.

A society is all the more human to the degree that it cares effectively for its most frail and suffering members, in a spirit of fraternal love.

The Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw is currently suspended due to the level 5 Restrictions.

Annual Gift Cards are now available and can be purchased from The Parish Office, Lotto Office, Berney's Chemist, DayBreak and Ger's Fruit & Veg Shop.

They are of value €100 for a year's subscription (54 weeks) to the Draw, €50 for half year (27 weeks), and €25 for 13 weeks.

The lotto team thank you for your continued support