

Mass Times and Intentions for 13th February 2021

We remember in our prayers Madge Clarke and Dolores Duffy who died recently. We also remember Michael Kelleher who died in South Africa during the week. Michael taught in Scoil Bhríde for many years. May they Rest in Peace.

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 13th Feb

10.00am Mass
6.30pm Austin (Syl) Gannon (Month's Mind) his mother
Kathleen Gannon and his brother Paddy Gannon (remembrance)
Mary Warknock (18th A) , Ing-Britt Jonsson (2nd A),
John Guidera (A), Michael Clifford (A)

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 14th February No Mass due to Covid-19 Restrictions

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 14th Feb.

11.00am Marjorie O'Connell (21st A), Averil Glynn (6th A),
Lucy and Larry McGeough (A), Pat Kavanagh (A),
Noel La-Grue (A)

Monday
9.30am Mass

Tuesday
9.30am Mass

Wednesday
9.30am Mass (Ash Wednesday)

Thursday
9.30am Mass

Friday
9.30am Mass for Living and Deceased

Saturday
10.00am Michael Fitzpatrick (6th A).
6.30pm Claire Byrne (nee Cogan) (A)

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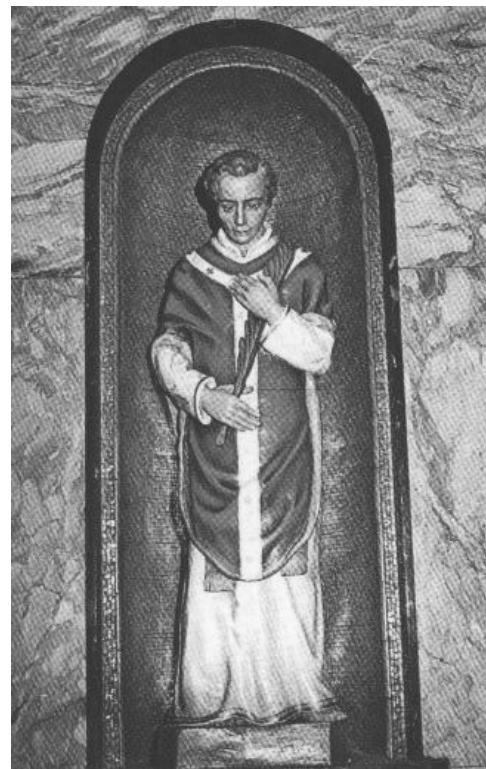
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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prayer on St. Valentine's Day

Loving Father, I pray for an open heart and mind, so that I may recognise and be grateful for all the love in my life.
I pray that I might find a new sense of wholeness, joy and peace in your love. Remove all obstacles so that I may grow in love throughout my life.
Give me the grace to trust in your loving plan for me, so that whatever my circumstances over the course of my life, I may know that I am not alone, that I am loved by You, my loving Father who is full of tenderness, mercy and compassion. Amen.

Happy St. Valentine's Day



Happy Ash-Free Wednesday!

What are you doing for Lent? Not “giving up”, but “doing”. there’s a lot we can’t do: go to Mass, receive Communion. You can give up receiving ashes on Ash Wednesday unless we come up with a brilliant idea.

So what can you do? One thing is to put up with all that’s going on (and not going on) in relation to the virus - we can feel helpless.

And it’s hard to help: volunteering to help with community events, or schools, or sports is limited these days.

Some people have less money and some people have more money these days: Trocaire, Pieta House, Merchants’ Quay, Alone, St Vincent de Paul are only a few of the groups whose work we can make a Lenten effort to support. Trocaire is concentrating on South Sudan this year - it’s a fairly new country, damaged by years of war, and a few years ago I met some women who went off to set up a secondary school for girls from nothing.

If I remember correctly they even had to devise a syllabus for some subjects. Those women - Loreto Sisters - stayed there in spite of war.

More things we’re trying to do:

What about Confirmation and First Communion? And First Penance?

We have tentative dates surrounded by uncertainty! The church is probably the safest place in all this, it’s the family gatherings that risk spread of the virus.

Baptisms too remain suspended for now.

Anyway, take care and we’ll see how we get through all this.

Father Niall Mackey

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

Through the intercession of [#OurLadyOfLourdes](#), patroness of the sick, let us ask the Lord to grant health of soul and body to all those who suffer due to illness and the current pandemic. May He give strength to those who assist them in this time of trial.

Diary Week 15th February 2021

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

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) in the Draw, €50 for half year (27 weeks), and €25 for 13 weeks.

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.

The **ANNUAL COLLECTION** of **ACCORD Dublin**, the Diocesan Agency for Marriage and the Family takes place this weekend **13th & 14th February 2021**.

ACCORD Dublin throughout the Diocese offers:

- ◆ Marriage Preparation courses – online, small groups
- ◆ Counselling for couples and individuals experiencing difficulties in their relationships, currently online or by phone. [Helpline 01 9059555](tel:019059555).
- ◆ A Relationship and Sexuality Programme for schools.

We realise that it will be much more difficult for parishes to support Accord this year – although the demand for services is greater than ever. You can donate if you wish in the following ways:

Online at www.accorddublin.ie where you will find a DONATE button.

By post to Accord Dublin, Holy Cross Diocesan Centre, Clonliffe Road, Dublin 3.

By bank transfer to ACCORD Dublin Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG, Bank of Ireland, 88 Lower Camden Street, Dublin 2.
IBAN: IE27 BOFI 9001 1357 0742 03; BIC:BOFIE2D

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. 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.