# Mass Times and Intentions for 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

#### **Kilcullen Church**

Saturday 3rd July 10.00am Mass Paddy Burke (10<sup>th</sup> A), Bernard Berney (2<sup>nd</sup> A). 6.30pm

Gormanstown ChurchSunday 4th JulyThomas Guing (A), Margaret & Patrick Guing (Remembrance) **Kilcullen Church** 

#### Sunday Ath July

| 11.00am | Tom Lambe (4 <sup>th</sup> A), Pat Lambe (2 <sup>nd</sup> A),<br>Bridget and Christopher Dixon and deceased |
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|         | members of the Dixon family, Mary Bardon (A   |

#### Monday

| 9.30am   | Francis Harte (Remembrance)<br>Special Intention, Holy Souls |
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| <b>Tuesday</b><br>9.30am                             | Mass   |
| W <b>ednesday</b><br>9.30am                          | Mass   |
| <b>Thursday</b><br>9.30am<br><b>Friday</b><br>9.30am | Mass<br>Mass   |
| <b>Saturday</b><br>10.00am                           | Mass   |
| 6.30pm   | Mass   |

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Sunday 4th July, 2021

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

## Saint Maria Goretti 6th July



O God, author of innocence and lover of chastity, who bestowed the grace of martyrdom on your handmaid, the Virgin Saint Maria Goretti, in her youth, grant, we pray, through her intercession, that, as you gave her a crown for her steadfastness, so we, too, may be firm in obeying your commandments.

## **Confirmations 2021**

It's Wednesday evening as I write this, and yesterday we heard that the government ruled that there should be no Confirmations or First Communions until further notice.

Decision makers have to make difficult decisions. With Confirmation and First Communion what happens in the church building is probably safe from the virus: it's the family gatherings afterwards that spread the virus.

A doctor who writes a great magazine column in a neighbouring country wrote recently: "Scientists tend not to be attracted to politics because they hate the bluff, bluster, lies and deceit. Science is about sensible guessing with uncertain data, making errors, owning errors and learning form them in real time. It is the antithesis of politics."

He has a point, even if he overstates it for his own country. I like the "Science is about sensible guessing with uncertain data". I don't envy the decision makers.

First Communion is planned for the autumn. Confirmation? This year's candidates are moving on to Secondary Schools, the Primary Schools term ended today Wednesday. What happens next? Well, we'll get over our disappointment.

In the meantime, congratulations to all our Confirmation candidates who have completed their primary education, to their families and especially their parents. They all - we all - have gone through a difficult year and a half. Well done, everyone.

## Father Niall Mackey

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

70 years ago Pope Benedict was ordained a priest. To you, Benedict, dear father and brother, goes our affection, our gratitude and our closeness. Thank you for your credible witness. Thank you for your gaze, constantly directed towards the horizon of God.

# Diary Week 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 8.00pm AA meeting

Tuesday 6th9.00pmLotto Draw (Public cannot attend)

The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen and Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw** held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2021 were 4, 19, 22 and 31. There was no Jackpot winner and next week's main prize will again be  $\in$ 18,000. The value of the follow-up Draw stands at  $\in$ 7,600.

The winners of the €50 Open Draws were Roisin Byrne (Promoter Adrienne Byrne), Kevin Keogh (Anne Brennan), and Niamh O'Connor (Kay Dixon). The winner of the Promoters Draws was Vanessa Clarke.

The Parish thanks all those who support the Lotto

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

#### **OPEN CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

Each year thousands of groups and individuals participate in Culture Night the length and breadth of the county. If you are a Kildare-based artist, performer, organisation or community group, we are keen to hear your proposals for this nationwide celebration. Applications from new participants who are representative of all Kildare's communities are particularly welcome.

For enquiries, please contact Culture Night Kildare Coordinator, Sheena Malone at <u>culturenightkildare@gmail.com</u>, or phone 045 448328. The deadline to be considered for the County Kildare Culture Night programme is **Wednesday 14th July 2021**, **5pm**. Applicants will be notified of decisions during the week starting Tuesday, 3rd August.