

# Mass Times and Intentions for 6<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## Kilcullen Church

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept.

6.30pm Jason Tutty (3<sup>rd</sup> A), Michael Kirby (3<sup>rd</sup> A),  
Roseanna Keogh (Gilbinstown) (A),

## Gormanstown Church

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Sept

9.30am Mass

## Kilcullen Church

Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> Sept.

11.00am Mary Lambe (20<sup>th</sup> A)

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept.

9.30am Mass

Tuesday

9.30am Gerry Emanuel (4<sup>th</sup> A)

Wednesday

9.30am Dick O'Brien (5<sup>th</sup> A) & deceased members of the O'Brien and Quinn  
Families

Thursday

9.30am Mass

Friday

9.30am Mass for Living and Deceased

Saturday

6.30pm Anna Coleman (A).

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# Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

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

Sunday 6th September, 2020

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

## *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

### *8th September*

When you follow her; you will not go astray;  
When you pray to her, You will not despair;  
When you think of her, You will not err;  
When she holds you up, You will not fail;  
When she protects you, You will not fear;  
When she leads you, You will not be fatigued;  
When she favors you, You will arrive safely.

She keeps her Son from striking us;  
She keeps the devil from hurting us;  
She keeps our virtues from escaping us;  
She keeps our merits from being destroyed;  
She keeps our graces from being lost.

*-St Bernard*



## Why did He/They do that?

August/September is an unusual time for the Tour de France, but much about everything this year is strange.

The early stages started from Nice, on the Mediterranean. The first stage featured hills, heavy rain, skids and crashes. There were multiple crashes, with some cyclists crashing multiple times! Two riders had to retire that day - one with a broken femur, the other with a broken kneecap. It takes a lot to cause someone to drop out, but someone else found he couldn't finish the next Stage.

Anyway, the usual procedure at the beginning of a Stage is for the cyclists to be waved off and then they go in a kind of parade to the real start: the race official standing in his race car waves his white flag and they start to race. In Nice the distance between the two start phases was about ten kilometres but when they reached that point the race official signalled a slow-down - some riders had trouble with their bikes and he wanted to give them a chance to catch up! It's a great community, competitive and united.

Twenty-five years ago a racer was killed when he crashed in the race. The riders wanted to skip the next day, the authorities wanted it to go ahead. It went ahead, the riders didn't race against each other, the team who lost that rider formed a line across the course in tribute to their colleague. I remember it, but I must check the details for accuracy. Also (if I remember correctly) the next time the race passed the scene of the crash the cyclists all stopped to remember their comrade.

Why do I go on about this? Recognising that community has different forms: even rivals can form a community.

We pray for our community as we still work our way through these months.

**Father Niall Mackey**

## Thank You.

**Once again we thank Nolan's Butchers and Burkes Pharmacy for helping us distribute our Parish Newsletter during our recent lockdown.**

### **New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week**

New Pilgrim Path is indebted to the excellent Mindful Prayer and Meditation website (<https://mindfulprayerdaily.com/>) for introducing us to our featured website this week, the Lumo Project. For the first time, the entire Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John have been brought to life in a compelling cinematic portrayal of the life of Jesus – accompanied by a complete and unabridged narration in a wide range of languages. This ground-breaking Biblical resource has been created to transform the way in which people engage, discover, and study the life of Jesus through the Gospels. It is also a wonderful pastoral resource. Access it at:

[www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie).

### **Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:**

As a human family we have our common origin in God. We dwell in a common home, the garden-planet where God placed us. But when we forget all this, our social fabric is weakened and the environment deteriorates.

The current pandemic has highlighted our interdependence: we are all linked to each other, for better or for worse. Therefore, to come out of this crisis better than before, we have to do so together, all of us, in solidarity.

**Parish Lotto** The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw** held on Tuesday 1 September 2020 were **5, 15, 22, 25**.

There was no Jackpot winner and next week's Main Prize will again be €18,000. The follow-up draw fund stands at €4,800.

The winners of the €50 Open Draws were Mark McDevitt (Promoter Ronan Murray), and Fr Niall Mackey (twice, promoter Fr Mackey).

The winners of the Promoters Draw were Vivian Clarke (twice).

Lotto takes place on Tuesday at 9.00pm in the Parish Centre all welcome.

Tickets are €2 each from Lotto Office, Parish Office, and local outlets.

The Parish thanks all who support the Lotto.