

Mass Times and Intentions for 19th July 2020

We remember in our prayers **Nicholas Aulsberry, Joan Birchall, and Noleen Butler**
(Co Clare) (sister of Donal Brennan) who died during the week.
May they rest in Peace

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 18th July

10.00am Mary Kelly (nee Markey) (10th A), Peter Kelly (46th A)
6.30pm Joe and Mary Ryan (A).

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 19th July

9.30am John Byrne (A), Tom Clarke (5th A), Denise Clarke (8th A),
Kelly Family (Ballymore) Remembrance

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 19th July

11.00am Mass

Monday 20th July

9.30am Mass

Tuesday

9.30am Mass

Wednesday

9.30am Mass

Thursday

9.30am Mass

Friday

9.30am Mass for Living and Deceased

Saturday

10.00am Elizabeth Landers (2nd A),
6.30pm Margaret Lynch (2nd A), Timmy Lynch (Remembrance),
Thomas Berney (Sunnyside) (A), Alice Coleman (A),
Elizabeth Landers (A),
Liam O'Toole (16th A) & his son, Declan O'Toole (26th A)

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Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

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

Sunday 19th July, 2020

Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



ST. JAMES

July 25th

O Glorious Apostle, Saint James, who by reason of your fervent and generous heart was chosen by Jesus to be a witness of His glory on Mount Tabor, and of His agony in Gethsemane; you, whose very name is a symbol of warfare and victory: obtain for us strength and consolation in the unending warfare of this life, that, having constantly and generously followed Jesus, we may be victors in the strife and deserve to receive the victor's crown in heaven. Amen.

... St James the Apostle, Pray for Us ...

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

Reflection on a Row

Leaving out the names (a distraction) I found the thoughts in this recent letter in The Tablet extremely well expressed. Why can't I find words like that?:

I found B's denunciation of M (in an earlier letter) very upsetting. Like B (and possibly St Francis of Assisi), I am an old lefty. In my liturgical tastes I am catholic because I am a Catholic.

Whether I'm at a Mass incorporating the Taizé chants and liturgical dance, or one involving incense and the Ave Verum, my soul can soar. At the moment of consecration, I kneel with my brothers and sisters in grateful adoration before God. At the dismissal I walk out into the week, a living tabernacle bringing Christ's presence to all those I encounter.

Well, that's the plan. In reality, the bar of virtue is set so high ("I would have you perfect as your heavenly father is perfect") that I almost always fall short of this ideal. I know that sometimes, because of my failure, I am a stumbling block instead of a beacon to my fellow pilgrims.

I know I wouldn't fare any better than M should B cast his eye in my direction. But the whole of the New Testament cries out for a revolution of tolerance, acceptance and love. Jesus releases us from the burden of judging others to free us up for the more urgent task of judging ourselves. I constantly have to remind myself, and in fraternal affection I remind B that the spirit of discord is not of the Holy Spirit

Father Niall Mackey

Thank you

To Nolan's Butchers and Sandra. Burkes Pharmacy with Emer and Paula for helping us get the newsletter out to the people in our parish during the Covid lockdown .

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week.

The late, great John O' Donohue wrote that "The greatest sin is the un-lived life". In a powerful one-hour talk, he urges the need to enter fully into our own lives, becoming all that we are capable of becoming – so that "when the time comes for us to lie down and die, we will be able to look back on a life that took honourable risks, that pushed its own frontiers, that tried to look after its own healing...that was compassionate, that didn't judge, and that tried to look after the poor and neglected, and the unspoken for.

" Listen to this compelling recording at:

www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

On the Day of Judgment we will not be judged for our ideas, but for the compassion we have shown to others.

[#OurLadyOfMountCarmel](#), our mother, help us to have innocent hands and a pure heart, and not to utter lies or speak ill of our neighbour. Then we will be able to go up to the mountain of the Lord and obtain His blessing, His justice, and His salvation.

Parish Lotto The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw** held on Tuesday 14 July 2020 were 18, 21, 28 and 31. There was no Jackpot winner and next week's main prize will again be €18,000.

The Follow Up Draw fund stands at €3,400.

The winners of the €50 Open Draws were Amby Brophy (Promoter Kay Dixon), Nuala O'Regan (Vivienne Clifford) and Anne Bird (Kilcullen Credit Union).

The winners of the Promoters Draw were Vanessa Clarke and Martina Clifford, and the winner of the Draw for those in the Parish Centre on the night was Miriam McDonnell.

Lotto takes place on Tuesday at 9.00pm in the Parish Centre and everyone is welcome.

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

The Parish thanks all who support the Lotto.