

# Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

Sunday 28th February, 2021

2nd Sunday of Lent

## Trivia Time!

The Vatican City State, we sometimes forget, is an independent country (with Europe's only absolute monarch) with its own police, army, courts, euro currency, stamps, diplomats and so on.

Liam Kelly of Ampleforth Abbey worked in the Vatican in the 1980s and played football for the Vatican City State. The Vatican's own league was founded in the 1970s with teams representing the Vatican Museum, the Police, the Swiss Guards, Osservato Romano, Vatican Radio and the Vatican Bank.

From all these teams a national squad was chosen to represent the Vatican at international level, playing against teams such as San Marino, Monaco, and small Italian clubs.

What about joining Uefa? Not having their own stadium would have been an obstacle, but Liam Kelly said surely St Peter's Square is big enough to put a few jumpers down as goalposts.

I don't know the current state of play of the state of play of the State.

## Father Niall Mackey

### 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.**

### Pope Francis @Pontifex

In this #LentenSeason, accepting and living the truth revealed in Christ means, first of all, opening our hearts to God's word, which the Church passes on from generation to generation.

## Mass Times and Intentions for 27<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Kilcullen Church

#### Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb

10.00am Pauline Joyce (A)  
6.30pm Eva & Matthew O'Neill (A), Sean O'Neill (A)

### Gormanstown Church

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February No Mass due to Covid-19 Restrictions**

### Kilcullen Church

#### Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb.

11.00am Jack Lambe, Sadie McTernan (10<sup>th</sup> A).  
Frank Curran (Walkinstown) who died on 19<sup>th</sup> February

#### Monday

9.30am Peter Keogh (9<sup>th</sup> A)

#### Tuesday

9.30am Mass

#### Wednesday

9.30am Mass

#### Thursday

9.30am Mass

#### Friday

9.30am Mass for Living and Deceased

#### Saturday

10.00am Tim and Stasia Orford (A), Paddy and Kathy Bolger (A)  
6.30pm Kate Keogh (Months Mind), Sheila O'Neill (1<sup>st</sup> A),  
Kay Byrne (Gormanstown) (A), Christy Malone (A)

## Diary Week 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021

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](mailto:kilcullenparish@gmail.com) or you can drop a note with your request in one of the letter boxes at the priest's house.

**Mass is broadcast each day on**

**Radio: FM107**

**Webcam: : [www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/kilcullen/](http://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/kilcullen/)**

# Our Hope Renewed

LENT 2021

*It is time to renew our hope!  
For we are a Community of Faith, Hope & Love.  
This Lent let's take the opportunity to connect  
with God and each other.  
We maybe confused by Zoom and Social  
Media... but God is not... let's do what we can  
whilst keeping everyone safe.  
We are in this together.*

## Book Club

'Return to Me with all Your Heart',  
Join others for personal reflection  
& be inspired by guest speakers.

**Wednesdays, 7.30pm via zoom**



## Meditation

- **Guided Meditation on the Sunday Gospels, Thursdays. 8pm.**
- **3 Minute Meditation for Beginner/Youth**
- **Evening Relaxation with the Lord**
- **Pray as You Go App**



## Scripture

**Stop, Look and Listen.**

A guide to Lectio Divina  
with the Sunday Gospel  
resting with God through Word, Image and Music.



## Something Different for Lent

**A Mixed bag of creative resources**



## Lenten Talks

**Let's Live Lent**

Diocesan - Tuesdays, 8pm via Zoom

**Brackenstown Parish**

Evenings of Reflection with Guest Speakers,  
Wednesdays, 7.30pm



## Evening Prayer

Evening Vespers  
Mon-Wed-Fri 7:30-8pm

**Blessingtonparishes.com**



## Teens

**Faithfest Online**

Friday 5th March, 6.30-8.30pm

**Teen Hope Connected**

Weekly Youth Group  
Wednesdays, 6-7pm



## Young Adults

**YCD Connected**

Fellowship, Exploring Scripture,  
Discussion Groups & Prayer

Wednesdays, 8-9pm



## Young Families

**Godly Play**

10 Min videos telling the story of Jesus  
called 'The Faces of Easter'.

&  
**Lent at Home** weekly resources: I wonder  
what Lent makes when you live it all the way  
through?

**Children's Prayer Service**

Thursdays 11am, Blessington Parish Webcam

**Lent Q&A for Families**

**Activity Book**



## LOL

**Lent-On-Line** personal reflections  
from parishioners around the diocese  
posted @8am each day.



## Whatsup for Lent

Daily Ponder Point each morning  
to aid your reflection & Journey  
through Lent.

**Ideal Busy Person Retreat**



Full Information Available on [www.evangelisation.ie](http://www.evangelisation.ie) in the 'Living Lent' section

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