Mass Times and Intentions for 28th June 2020

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 27th June

6.30pm Shay Walker (A), Judy Walsh (A), Daniel O'Connell (7th A),

Frank McEvoy (A), Brendan McLoughlin (A), Arron Dowling (A),

Marie McCarton Langan (A), William McCarton (A),

Ned O'Rourke (Birthday Remembrance)

Gormanstown Church

No Mass in Gormanstown Today due to Covid-19

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 28th June

11.00am John Mulvihill (A), Queenie Whelan (A), Paddy & Margaret Aspell (A),

Paddy & Nancy Aspell (A), Molly & Judy Aspell (A), Paschal Aspell (A),

Eamonn Aspell (A), Matt Aspell (Junior) (A).

Alfred Piggott (A)

Monday 29thJune

9.30am Bridget Fleming (A)

Tuesday

9.30am Mass

Wednesday

9.30am Mass

Thursday

Mass

9.30am Friday

9.30am Mass Saturday

6.30pm Mass

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Sunday 28th June, 2020

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

St. Peter and Paul 29th June



O holy Apostles, Peter and Paul, intercede for us. Protect, O Lord, your people who trust in the patronage of your Apostles, Peter and Paul, and by their constant protection protect your people. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Thirteenth Sunday 2020

Nearly there!

As I write this on Thursday afternoon, the news is that our teams continue to prepare the churches for public Masses. For Gormanstown, the target is Sunday 5 July but for Kilcullen it's the weekday Masses before 5 July. The team tells me it's more likely we can re-open in Kilcullen towards the end of next week rather than the beginning of the week.

The purpose is to keep me safe! That sounds selfish, but it's equally true for each "me" in the church. We can all wait a few days if we have to, to preserve health and life.

A trickier re-opening: the cathedral Notre Dame de Paris has reached another stage in recovery after the fire of April 2019. The most delicate stage is the removal of the tangled mass of damaged scaffolding. 200 tons of metal! Specialist workers will be lowered on ropes to cut away pipes melted together by the heat of the fire.

A detail: it could take for years to disassemble, clean and rebuild the organ (which survived the fire)>The pipes could have melted in the blaze, but they only got filled with lead dust.

On Kilcullen church re-opening: updates via the webcam at the 9.30am masses.

Father Niall Mackey

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

Listen to the complete Bible in one year! The NIV Audio Bible, beautifully recorded over 200 hours by British actor, David Suchet (of *Poirot* fame), is the first full-length audio version of the Old and New Testaments recorded by a single voice. You can access it at www.newpilgrimpath.ie

The Parish office is open from 10am until 1pm, Monday to Friday. It will resume normal opening hours in due course.

Fr Mackey has blessed the graves in New Abbey, St Brigids, Gormanstown, and Old Kilcullen Cemeteries. We may be able to have community blessings later on.

Plans are underway for the re-opening of the Churches (Kilcullen & Gormanstown) for masses to the public. We are hoping that we will be ready to have mass in Kilcullen towards the end of next week. We will announce at morning mass when this is happening.

Under the current government regulations, the Maximum capacity for the Saturday evening vigil mass and the Sunday morning mass in Kilcullen Church is 50 people.

The maximum for Gormanstown Church is 30 people.

The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays (Vigil or morning) is suspended. People can attend mass any day during the week and that will fulfil their Sunday obligation.

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

Let us begin anew from the numerous examples of generous, freely-given love, which in these months have shown us how much closeness, care, and sacrifice are needed to nourish fraternity and civil coexistence. In this way, we will emerge from this crisis stronger.

In these difficult times, your work as maritime personnel and fishermen has become even more important. Today I would like to offer you a message of hope, comfort and consolation. <u>#SeafarersAreKeyWorkers</u>

<u>#Prayer</u> arises from the conviction that life is not something that takes us by surprise, but a stupefying mystery that inspires in us poetry, music, gratitude, praise, even lament and supplication