Mass Times and Intentions for 16th August 2020

Gerry Emmanuel (Birthday Remembrance), Margaret O'Gorman (A)

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 15th August10.00amSpecial Intention6.30pmEithne Murray (A), Leonard Cain (A),
Tom McGann (2nd A).

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Gormanstown Church

Sunday 16th August

9.30am Lily Barker (A).

Kilcullen Church Sunday 16th August

11.00am

Monday 17th

9.30am

Tuesday

9.30am

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9.30am

Thursday 9.30am

Friday 9.30am

Mass for Living and Deceased

Saturday

10.00amJohn Brady (Glasnevin) Remembrance6.30pmNancy O'Neill (Month's Mind), Ann May Brady (Month's Mind),
Niall Browne (4th A), Alfie Browne (8th A)
and deceased members of the Browne family,
Elizabeth Dempsey Duff (7th A), Ned Dempsey (Remembrance)

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Sunday 16th August, 2020

Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Feast Day 17th August

Prayer to Our Lady of Knock

Our Lady of Knock, *Queen of Ireland, you gave hope* to your people in a time of distress and comforted them in sorrow. You have inspired countless pilgrims to pray with confidence to your divine Son, remembering His promise, "Ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find." Help me to remember that we are all pilgrims on the road to Heaven. Fill me with love and concern for my brothers and sisters in Christ, especially those who live with me. Comfort me when I am sick, lonely or depressed. Teach me how to take part ever more reverently in the Holy Mass. Give me a greater love of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Pray for me now and at the end of my death. Amen.

I Want to Read This!

There's a new biography of Dorothy Day that I'd love to read and this is it. Dorothy Day: Dissenting Voice of the American Century.

Here's some excerpts from the review in The Tablet, 8 August 2020:

The image of Martin Gugino, the Catholic Worker knocked to the ground by police in Buffalo, New York, lying bleeding on a pavement, has been one of the most iconic of the Black Lives Matter demonstrations. Why was a 75 year old pacifist standing between protesters and armed police? President Trump said he was an Antifa provocateur. A better answer – and one that also explains why, across the world, Catholic Workers share their homes with the destitute, risk arrest to deface nuclear weapons silos and rise before dawn to sliced bread to feed the queues at their soup kitchens — can be found in the pages of this masterful biography of the movement's founder, Dorothy Day.

This is a phenomenal piece of research. Pulitzer-nominated John Loughery, and Blythe Randolph, are both experienced biographers, and combed Day's diaries and letters, oral history transcripts and clippings from the sizeable archive dedicated to her at Marquette University in Milwaukee, as well as archdiocesan and university libraries, for a new angles and anecdotes. The extensive list of interviews is a snapshot of the American Church: who but Dorothy Day could bring together New York Cardinal Timothy Dolan and Martha Hennessy, a radical pacifist (and Day's grand daughter) who is currently awaiting sentencing for breaking into a naval submarine base.

(That's the opening: the closing paragraph of the review is this:)

Her gift to the church is that she is saw God everywhere: in Mediterranean sunsets and cockroach-infested tenement buildings, in opera and liturgy, in the men she drank with in her youth as much as the countless people she fed, sheltered and prayed for in her later life. This fine biography introduces Dorothy Day to Catholic history in all her wholeness and for all the scandals, she is the same woman, on the path to sainthood.

Father Niall Mackey

The church is currently closed for mass to the public due to the current restrictions.

You can still view the mass on our webcam or listen to it on the radio each day.

The church will be open after mass each morning for people to visit during the day.

Mass leaflets for the weekend mass are left on a table at the back of the church and people are welcome to take one of these home with them.

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

When we pray, God expects that we also be mindful of those who do not think as we do, those who have slammed the door in our face, those whom we find it hard to forgive. Only prayer unlocks chains, only prayer paves the way to unity.

The coronavirus is not the only disease to be fought, but rather, the pandemic has shed light on broader social ills. One of these is a distorted view of the person, a perspective that ignores the dignity and relational character of the person.

Parish Lotto The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw** held on Tuesday 11th August 2020 were 7, 14, 15 and 19. There was no Jackpot winner and next week's Main prize will again be \in 18,000. The follow-up draw fund stands at \in 4,200.

The winners of the \notin 50 Open Draws were Christy Hughes (Promoter Vivienne Clifford), Noel and Vanessa McGann (Vanessa Clifford) and Fr Niall Mackey (Fr Niall Mackey).

The winners of the Promoters Draw were Mick Dunne and Vivienne Clifford. There was no draw for those in the Parish Centre, as nobody was allowed be there due to the current restrictions.

Lotto takes place on Tuesday at 9.00pm in the Parish Centre. Tickets are $\notin 2$ each from Lotto Office, Parish Office, and local outlets. Due to the new restrictions in place for Kildare, the **Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto** must limit those attending the Tuesday night Draws to six people only. An independent observer will be present.

The Parish thanks all who support the Lotto.