Mass Times and Intentions for 17th May 2020

We remember in our prayers Maureen Jones, Desmond Gilligan (Father of Fr John Gilligan, Saggart), Archdeacon Ciarán Holahan (Foxrock) who died recently & Tony O'Neill formerly of Logstown, Kilcullen and London who died in England last Tuesday . May they rest in peace

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 16th May

Raymond Spain (Months Mind) 6.30pm

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 17th May No Mass in Gormanstown Today due to Covid-19

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 17th Mav

11.00am Paddy Reilly (late of Conroy Park & Carlow) Months Mind,

Kathleen Farrelly (1st A), Kitty Clifford (A),

Monday 18th May

9.30am Mass

Tuesday

9.30am Mary & Francis Charles (A)

Wednesday

9.30am Mass

Thursday

9.30am Mass

Friday

9.30am Mass

Saturday

6.30pm Mass

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Sunday 17th May 2020

Sixth Sunday of Easter

St Bernadine of Siena 20th May

Saint Bernardino is the Roman Catholic patron saint of advertising, communications, compulsive gambling, respiratory problems, as well as any problems involving the chest area.



Jesus, Name full of glory, grace, love and strength! You are the refuge of those who repent, our banner of warfare in this life, the medicine of souls, the comfort of those who mourn, the delight of those who believe, the light of those who preach the true faith, the wages of those who toil, the healing of the sick.

To you our devotion aspires; by you our prayers are received; we delight in contemplating you. O Name of Jesus, you are the glory of all the saints for eternity. Amen.

Money, money, money!

I hate talking about money, partly because I'm no good at it. Also, in these days many parishioners are living with financial worries. We deliberately didn't worry you with parish and diocesan financial affairs until things settled down and you could get a view on how you stand. So here goes:

The parish has funds to keep going for a while (some other parishes are less fortunate), but we were saving up for a new roof. Parish income is provided (for example) by the parish lotto (suspended), the envelope collection, the shrine candles, legacies (maybe an average of one a year),

Parish Centre activities.

Parish expenditure? Electricity and oil, staffing and running the Parish Centre, webcam hosting, insurance (for example).

Some people (honestly!) have asked us how they can contribute to the parish running costs. The envelope collection is one way (many thanks to parishioners who have dropped their envelopes to the Parochial House); we're also planning to put a "Contribute" button on the parish website (kilcullenparish.com).

What about Father Harte and myself: we're all right for the moment, but the diocesan clergy in general missed out on the Easter Sunday collection and the Easter Dues envelopes, important sources of income: all clergy collections go to the Common Fund and is distributed fairly to the individual priests. So one way of supporting the priests of the diocese is to get an Easter Dues envelope from the porch of the Parochial House and dropping it in our letter box — and thanks to parishioners who have done this already.

Remember: many parishioners will have more urgent calls on their resources than the parish in these days: look after each other

Father Niall Mackey

Support the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society .svp.ie

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). 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.

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week

"Original goodness is our first nature, it is the first gift of life to all. Original sin is our second nature, not original at all! Read the birth poem in the first chapter of the Bible. It's all about the divine goodness in which the world is set. Each day of creation in the poem is good. Light is good. Dark is good. Sea is good. Wild things are good. Every living thing that moves on the face of the earth is very good." These words are from an uplifting, engaging and deeply human talk by the late David Wood, Anglican priest from the North West of England and ambassador for the ecumenical Christian meditation movement. Listen to his series of inspiring short talks at www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

If anyone would like to book a mass for anniversaries or any other occasion you can do so by emailing the parish office on kilcullenparish@gmail.com

Please give a weeks' notice if possible as the emails are not monitored every day.

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

May God have mercy on us and put an end to this tragedy, this pandemic, as well as the pandemics of hunger, war, and children without an education. This we ask as brothers and sisters, everyone together.

Mother of the Lord, Virgin Mary, Queen of the Rosary, show us the power of your protective mantle. From your arms come the hope and peace of which we are sorely in need.