

Mass Times and Intentions for 26th July 2020

We remember in our prayers Nancy O'Neill, Anna-May Brady, and Tish Keegan (Valerie's aunt) who died during the week.
May they Rest in Peace.

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 25th July

6.30pm Margaret Lynch (2nd A), Timmy Lynch (Remembrance),
Thomas Berney (Sunnyside) (A), Alice Coleman (A),
Elizabeth Landers (A),
Liam O'Toole (16th A) and his son Declan O'Toole (26th A).
James Gray (42nd A)

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 26th July

9.30am Mass

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 26th July

11.00am James Byrne (1st A).

Monday 27th July

9.30am Louis Caplis (A), John Caplis (Remembrance),
Mary Caplis (Remembrance)

Tuesday

9.30am Mass

Wednesday

9.30am John Archbold (16th A).

Thursday

9.30am Elizabeth O'Mahony (A).

Friday

9.30am Mass for Living and Deceased

Saturday

10.00am Mass
6.30pm Mass

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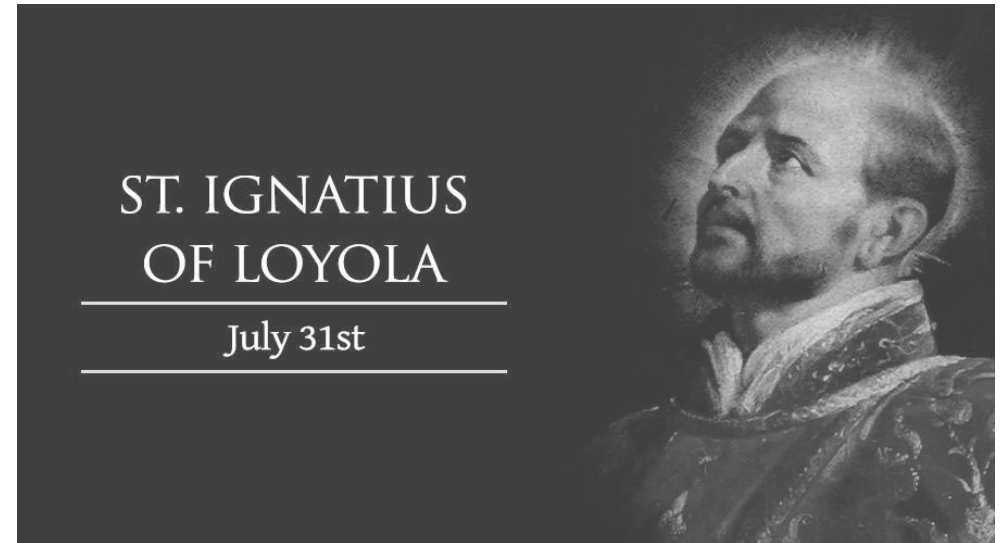
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Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

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

Sunday 26th July, 2020

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time



*Lord, teach me to be generous.
Teach me to serve you as you deserve;
to give and not to count the cost,
to fight and not to heed the wounds,
to toil and not to seek for rest,
to labour and not to ask for reward,
save that of knowing that I do your
will.*

Amen.

Thought for the week:

“To have a right to do a thing is not at all the same as to be right in doing it.”

Saint Benedict's Road Map

Well, he wouldn't have called it a road map, but now nearly every plan is a road map!

St Benedict lived from 479 or 480 to 547. He moved to Rome but left the wild life of the city and became a hermit. People were led by his example and a community formed around him. So, how do you run a religious community? St Benedict worked it out, and the Rule of Saint Benedict is still valid today - it's a well-balanced guide to community life.

One strand of thought that Saint Benedict developed was on complaining or grumbling: it can have a corrosive effect, destroying community life. Imagine it in you family, your neighbourhood, your place of work: now transfer it to a closed community with the same small body of people and it's even worse.

At a Mass last month Pope Francis said it was “Pointless, even tedious for Christians to waste their time complaining about the world, about society, about everything that is not right”. He reminded us that even in the midst of terrible persecution the early Christians “did not cast blame - they prayed”.

He said recently “We are used to insulting people, especially those with responsibility. The first Christians did not complain about Peter, they prayed for him. They did not talk about him behind his back, they talked to God.”

On the door of Pope Francis' private room there's a sign in red lettering: “No Complaining!” (but it's not in English).

Saint Benedict Rules!

Father Niall Mackey

New Pilgrim Path Website of the Week.

Episcopal priest, writer, and internationally known retreat leader, Dr Cynthia Bourgeault is a core faculty member at the ecumenical Center for Action and Contemplation alongside fellow teachers and colleagues, Fr Richard Rohr and James Finley. She describes the ‘Welcoming Practice’ as a vibrant, energetic, embodied witnessing practice, and an essential tool for inner transformation – a powerful “companion piece for turning daily life into a virtually limitless field for inner awakening.” Using it can help move us through challenging or painful experiences, times of disturbed emotion or anguish, and even moments where unhelpful control tendencies and self-inflation takes us over.

Access this valuable spiritual resource at:

www.NewPilgrimPath.ie

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

When love for parents and children is inspired and purified by love for the Lord, it then becomes wholly fruitful and produces good fruits within the [#family](#) itself and well beyond it.

Prophecy is born whenever we allow ourselves to be challenged by God, not when we are concerned to keep everything quiet and under control.

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

Parish Lotto The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw** held on Tuesday 21st July 2020 were 6, 13, 20 and 30. There was no Jackpot winner and next week's main prize will again be €18,000. The follow-up draw fund stands at €3,600. The winners of the €50 Open Draws were Vivienne Byrne (Promoter Vivienne Byrne), Frances Fagan (May Coyne), and Miriam McDonnell (Miriam McDonnell). The winners of the Promoters Draw were Siobhan Tuite and Mick Dunne, and the winner of the Draw for those in the Parish Centre on the night was Martina Clifford. 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.