

Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

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

Church of St. Joseph, Gormanstown.

Registered Charity Number 20016166

What Happens to Your Money?

Well, it's safe!

The First Collection at Mass goes to support the clergy through the Common Fund - a form of voluntary taxation among Dublin's clergy. Before the Common Fund was set up (about forty years ago!) what was collected in a parish remained in that parish, divided among the parish clergy.

So the income of an individual priest depended a lot on his parish appointment, and to even things out the Common Fund was established. (Administrative details changed over the years.) We send the First Collection to the diocese, and the Finance Secretariat distributes it to the clergy on behalf of the clergy. Personally, I get a little bit more than the basic allocation under two headings: as Administrator, and my years of service. (I remember some years ago telling a friend that I'd moved into a higher band - an increase of 5 pounds a month after five years!).

Then came the virus. All clergy income was reduced by 25%, but the Common Fund was able to restore 5%, then another 5%, and a third 5% restoration takes effect soon. What about the remaining two 5% sections? The clergy committee overseeing the Common Fund decided to wait and see.

And that's the Common Fund, a voluntary taxation system brought in by the Dublin clergy for fairness among the Dublin clergy.

Importantly, many thanks for your continuing support.

Father Niall Mackey

Diary Week 16th May 2022

Monday 16th May

8.00pm AA meeting

Tuesday 17th May

10.30am Arthritis Group

7.00pm Legion of Mary

8.00pm Parish Lotto Draw

Wednesday 18th May

10.00am Toddler and Baby group

7.00pm Wednesday Bridge Club

Thursday 19th May

12.00n Chair Yoga

6.30pm Irish Dancing

Friday 20th May

9.30am New Abbey Bridge

Rosary at the Grotto for the Month of May 8pm

Mass Times and Intentions 15th May 2022

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 14th May

10.00am Marie O'Brien (Nee Warnock)
who died in Australia recently

6.30pm Mass

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 15th May

9.30am Matthew Barrett (15th A)

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 15th May

11.00am Kitty Clifford (A), Agnes O'Brien (A),
Patricia Enright (9th A), Teresa Howard (20th A)

Monday

9.30am Special Intention, Sheamie Keogh (12th A)

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9.30am Mary Warnock (Birthday Remembrance)

Thursday

9.30am Mary and Francis Charles (A).

Friday

9.30am Mass for the Living and Deceased

Saturday

10.00am Mass
6.30pm Margaret Doran (1st A), Paul Byrne (14th A),
Shay Mackey (Birthday Remembrance) (A)
and deceased members of the Mackey family.

The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen and Gormanstown Parish lotto Draw held on Tuesday 10th May 2022** were 2, 3, 17 and 19. There was no Jackpot winner and next week's main prize will again be €18,000. The value of the follow up draw stands at €16,800.

The winners of the €50 Open Draws were Phil McGuirk (Promoter Martina Clifford), Karen Ellis (Mag O'Connell), and Janet Dowling (Vivian Clarke).

The winners of the Promoters Draw were Kay Dixon and Vivian Clarke, and the winner of the Draw for those in the Parish Centre on the night was Mick Dunne.

The Parish thanks all who support the Lotto.

The next Lotto Draw will take place at 8pm on Tuesday night and is open to the public.

Pilgrimage to Knock 4th June

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