

Mass Times and Intentions for 5th July 2020

We remember in our prayers Breda Patterson whose funeral took place during the week.
May she rest in Peace

Kilcullen Church

Saturday 4th July

6.30pm Bernard Berney (1st A),

Gormanstown Church

Sunday 5th July

9.30am Thomas Guing (20th A), Margaret Guing (Remembrance),
and their son Paddy Guing (Remembrance)

Kilcullen Church

Sunday 5th July

11.00am Pat Lambe (1st A) & his brother Tom (3rd A), Jim and Rosaleen Broughall (A),
David and Clare Broughall (A), Graeme Allan (A), Dolly Lynch (A),
Mary Bardon (A)

Monday 6th July

9.30am Mass

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Saturday

6.30pm Brigid Aspell (Sunnyhill) (6th A), Paddy McMahon (10th A),

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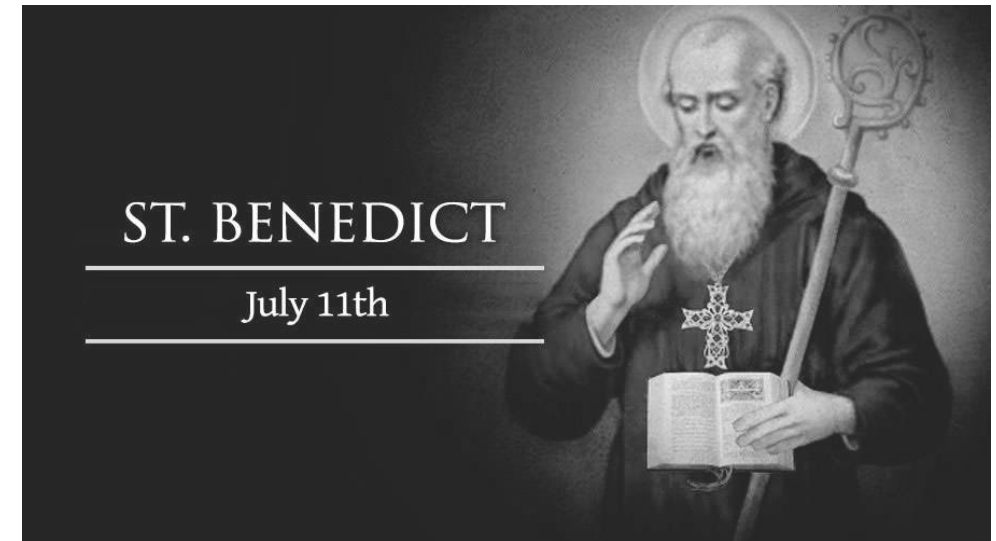
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Kilcullen Parish Newsletter

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

Sunday 5th July, 2020

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



A Prayer to Saint Benedict for Protection

Dear Saint Benedict, I thank God for showering you with His grace to love Him above all else and to establish a monastic rule that has helped so many of His children live full and holy lives.

Through the cross of Jesus Christ, I ask you to please intercede that God might protect me, my loved ones, my home, property, possessions, and workplace today and always by your holy blessing, that we may never be separated from Jesus, Mary, and the company of all the blessed. Through your intercession may we be delivered from temptation, spiritual oppression, physical ills, and disease. Protect us from drug and alcohol abuse, impurity and immorality, objectionable companions, and negative attitudes. In Jesus' Name.

Amen.

Remember when?

It's too recent, and it's still going on. The virus - it hasn't gone away, you know.

We're planning to have both churches open for public Mass this weekend, and many thanks to all who prepared the churches.

A letter to "The Tablet" on 9 May made an interesting point: the writer said "during the lockdown, I have found that I 'hear' the readings more attentively than I used to", enhancing his appreciation of the Liturgy of the Word.

Christ is just as truly present in the Word as he is in the sacred Species but we often fail to recognise him.

The Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, the writer suggests, doesn't mean a better presence but a different one.

There's never a bad time to increase our knowledge and appreciation of the bible, but these past months have given us a great opportunity to do that - and that growth doesn't have to ease off as the lockdown eases off.

Father Niall Mackey

Recent tweets by Pope Francis @ Pontifex:

Evil never gives peace. It causes frenzy first then leaves bitterness. Instead, God's voice never promises cheap, easily acquired joy. He invites us to go beyond our ego to find that true good: peace.

The proud Saul became Paul, a name that means "small". The Lord shook him. He shattered Paul's illusion of being respectably religious to make him His instrument.

Just as the Lord transformed Simon into Peter, so He calls each one of us, to make us living stones with which to build a renewed Church and a renewed humanity.



Thanks so much to all the volunteers who helped prepare the churches in Gormanstown and Kilcullen for re-opening for mass. There was a huge amount of work done by these volunteers. They had meetings to organise and plan the best way forward. They cleaned, sanitised, marked out the areas inside and outside of the church to clearly indicate to people where they can sit and stand. We appreciate all their help, time and planning that went into the preparations.

It is very important that we all adhere to these restrictions and guidelines to help stop the spread of Coronavirus

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.

Parish Lotto The numbers drawn in the **Kilcullen & Gormanstown Parish Lotto Draw** held on Tuesday 30th June were 7, 27, 28 and 29. There was no Jackpot winner so next week's main prize will be €18,000. The follow up Draw fund stands at €3,000.

The winners of the €50 Open Draws were Izzy and Lainey Middleton (Promoter Berney's Chemist), Edel Zeller (Berney's Chemist) and John Broughall (Miriam McDonnell).

The winners of the Promoters Draw were Vanessa Clarke and Miriam McDonnell, and the winner of the Draw for those in the Parish centre on the night was Vivian Clarke.

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.