# Mass Times and Intentions for 28th November 2020

We remember in our prayers John Dowling who died recently. May he rest in Peace.

#### **Kilcullen Church**

Saturday 28th Nov6.30pmJoe McElroy (1st A), John Talbot (4th A)

#### **Gormanstown Church**

Sunday 29th Nov.9.30amNo Mass due to Covid-19

### Kilcullen Church

 Sunday 29th Nov.

 11.00am
 Patrick Byrne (20<sup>th</sup> A), Peggy Conlan (6<sup>th</sup> A), Bríd Mackey (7<sup>th</sup> A)

#### Monday

9.30am

Tuesday 9.30am

John Talbot (4<sup>th</sup> A)

Mass

Mass

Wednesday 9.30am

Thursday 9.30am

Stephen Schwer (Months Mind)

#### Friday 9.30am Saturday

6.30pm

Mass for Living and Deceased Phil & Pat O'Donnell (A), Elizabeth Sweeney (A), Patrick Sweeney (A)

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Sunday 29th November, 2020

**First Sunday of Advent** 

# St Francis Xavier 3rd December



O my Lord Jesus! 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 ask for rest; to labour, seeking no reward, save that of knowing that I do Thy will. Amen.

... St Francis Xavier, Pray for Us ...

# Three things:

# **Christmas Timetable:**

How do we plan for Christmas in the parish churches - we don't know at this stage. We always print Christmas cards with the timetable, so we have to come up with our best guess. Will the churches be open? Will numbers be limited? If they are, we can put on extra Masses, but how will you know which Masses will be full or will have spaces? We'll sanitise the churches between Masses. (I saw that misspelt as Satanise on one occasion!)

We'll work it out as best we can.

#### Red Ropes:

All the red and white plastic tape closing off every second pew in Kilcullen has been replaced by red rope - the temporary gives way to the semi-permanent! Many thanks to the non-parishioners who donated the ropes: including postage and packing, about €250.00 worth.

#### Good People do Wrong things:

I've mentioned The Tablet magazine a few times - I get it every week but don't manage to read it every week. Two recent cover stories: "The Fault Line: the double life of Jean Vanier" (7 November) and "Voices of Suffering and Survival: witnesses at the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual abuse describe their physical, psychological and spiritual anguish" and "The Vatican Examines its Conscience: The McCarrick report exposes fundamental flaws in the culture and decision-making at the highest levels in the Church" (14 November).

How to react? I can't summarise it in one sentence, just recognise that sometimes good people do terrible things - not only in Church circles. We pray for victims and perpetrators.

#### Father Niall Mackey

**Diary Week 30th November 2020 Monday** 8.00pm AA Meeting in the Parish Centre

The parish lotto is currently suspended due to the level 5 restrictions and will resume as soon as permitted.

## Kilcullen Christmas Market

Saturday 5th December 10-4pm Leinster Mart Lots of Bakers, Crafters and Homemade Christmas Gifts Shop Local This Christmas

# **Mini Advent Retreat on Zoom**

For three sessions, during Advent, you are invited to take part in a mini-retreat that will explore the themes of Faith, Hope and Love.
Fr Billy Swan will lead the retreat; St Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy and will take place from Tuesday 1st to Thursday 3 December beginning at 8pm. To take part, all you need to do is send an email to <u>thehookoffaith@gmail.com</u> to receive the Zoom link. Come and join us to prepare for Christmas.

# HOME SHARING

# GIVE A LITTLE TIME- MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE

HAVE YOU THE TIME TO OFFER BREAKS TO AN ADULT WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY IN YOUR HOME FOR MID-WEEK AND WEEKEND OVERNIGHT BREAKS?

YOU DON'T NEED A QUALIFICATION, JUST ENERGY, COMMITMENT AND THE DESIRE TO SUPPORT A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY IN YOUR COMMUNITY.

INFORMATION AND SUPPORT ARE PROVIDED, AND YOU WILL BE PAID AN ALLOWANCE,

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