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Weekend Masses

Kilkenny: Saturday at 6.00pm
Sunday at 10.00am
Knockbridge: Saturday at 7.30pm
Sunday at 11.30am

Weekday Masses:
See Anniversaries and Memorials below....

Mass on Fridays
Knockbridge each Friday at 9.30a.m. except on the 1st Friday of the month when Mass will be celebrated in Kilkenny at 7.30p.m.

Confessions:
Kilkenny: Confession are available in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, after 6p.m. Mass. on Saturdays.
Knockbridge: Confessions are available on Mondays before 7.30 pm Mass and from 9.30pm-10pm, at the end of Eucharist Adoration, and at any time 'by request'.

Baptisms take place every 2nd Sunday of the month in **Kilkenny** during 10a.m. Mass and the 4th Sunday of the month in **Knockbridge** during 11.30a.m. Mass.

Baptism courses for both parishes will take place each month. The full list of course dates for 2019 can be seen at the entrances to both Churches.

Ministers of the Word
Next weekend

Kilkenny:
Fiona Coleman (4th)
Do This In Memory (5th)

Knockbridge:
Bernadette Sweeney (4th)
Seamus Kirk (5th)

Ministers of the Eucharist
Next weekend:

Kilkenny
Kathleen McCabe & Tom McCreesh (4th)
Ethel McElroy & Gerry Cronin (5th)

Knockbridge:
Ann Dorian & Teresa McEnteggart (4th)
Maureen Corcoran & Marie Clifford (5th)

Prayers of the Faithful
Next weekend:

Kilkenny
Sinead Kneel (4th) Do This In Memory (5th)

Recently Deceased:

Please pray for.....
Thomas Kirk, Derryfalone
Eilish Harte, Coalisland
Crissie Cunningham, Ardee
Marie Boyle, Inniskeen
.....who died recently.

Parish Collection
Knockbridge € 1432.78

.....Sincere thanks to all who contributed

Anniversaries and Memoriam Masses (Apr 27th - May 5th)

Kilkenny Sat 27th	6.00pm	Mary & Vincent Clarke Tom, Rita & Thomas Kirk Noel Wallace
Sun 28th	10.00am	_____
Tues 30th	9.30am	_____
Thurs 2nd	9.30am	_____
Sat 4th	6.00pm	Eugene, Briega & James Callan & dec members of the Callan & Rogers family Owen & May Hamill, James Kneel
Sun 5th	10.00am	Alice Lynch M.M. Bernard, Mary, Brian & Michael Faughey Winnie & Teddy Connolly
Knockbridge Sat 27th	7.30pm	John Sweeney, Willie Moonan, Eddie McKenna Rose & Tony Quinn, Halligan family
Sun 28th	11.30am	Christoper Griffin M.M. John & Anna Brannigan Michael McCarthy
Mon 29th	7.30pm	_____
Wed 1st	9.30am	_____
Sat 4th	7.30pm	Bernard, Kate & Rose Rooney Aaron Trimble
Sun 5th	11.30am	Deceased members of the Old IRA and Fianna Fáil Kevin & Noel Hoey McGahon family (Gibbstown), Tommy Mulholland



28th April 2019 Divine Mercy Sunday

Hello! I read this recently from a convert to Christianity. "In short I didn't become a Christian because God promised I would have an even happier life than I had as an atheist. He never promised any such thing. Indeed following him would bring divine demotions in the eyes of the world. Rather I became a Christian because the evidence was so compelling that Jesus really is the one-and-only -Son of God who proved his divinity by rising from the dead. That meant following him was the most rational and logical step I could possibly take." -Lee Stobel



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

An invitation is extended to those who would be able to spend an hour in visiting the Blessed Sacrament on Mondays 10a.m.-10p.m. in St. Mary's Church, **Knockbridge** followed by Benediction at 10p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament also takes place in the Church of the Immaculate Conception, **Kilkenny** every Friday from 6pm to 7pm.

"Know that you will probably gain more by praying fifteen minutes before the Blessed Sacrament than by all the other spiritual exercises of the day.

St Alphonsus Liguori

Divine Mercy Sunday To mark this special day a holy hour will take place in **St. Nicolas' Church, Dundalk@ 2.00pm**. This will include Confessions, Reflections on St.Faustina's Diary as well as the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Trócaire Boxes:

Please return your filled boxes to the church as soon as possible. Trócaire was established by the Irish Catholic Church in 1973 as a way for Irish people to donate to development and emergency relief overseas. Their dual mandate is to support the most vulnerable people in the developing world, while also raising awareness of injustice and global poverty.

Combined Parish Pastoral Council Geraldine Kirk (Chair) Eamon McEnteggart (Vice Chair) Ciara McCabe (Secretary) assisted by Niamh Sweeney, Jacinta Collins (Prayer Coordinator). Carolan Brennan (Youth Officer). Peggy McCreesh, Madge Quigley, Geraldine Kneel, John Morton, Catherine Shevlin (PRO)Deacon Martin, Sr. Philomena, Fr. Paddy & Fr. Gerry.

Rosary at the Grottos. Join thousands of people around Ireland as we go to our local Grottos to pray the Rosary each day during the month of May at 8.00pm. To sign up to your local Grotto simply visit www.coastalrosaryireland.ie or call/text 087 2786552

ACCORD - TIME FOR A NEW CHALLENGE Are you interested in becoming a Facilitator or Associate Counsellor with ACCORD Catholic Marriage Care Service? Would you like to share your positive married experience with engaged and married couples? For further information contact the Regional Office on 04890 233002 or email info@accordni.com.

Visitation Team: Commissioning

The new visitation team : Geraldine Kirk, Ciara Harris, Fr. Paddy Rushe, Madonna Lambert, Deacon Martin Cunningham, Irene Brennan, Joan McKenna, Fr. Gerry Campbell, Peggy McCreesh, Sr. Philomena McGroarty & Catherine Shevlin. The team will begin visiting parishioners in the coming months. We thank them for serving the parish in this way and we support them with our prayers.

Perhaps their generosity will trigger YOU to join the visitation team. Are you ready to step up to this invitation/call/challenge ? In May the team will visit Loughantarve Estate, Lisheen Park & Cloonanana (Knockbridge) and Rathmore cottages (Kilkenny)

Our Lady Queen of Peace' Prayer Group

The meetings will take place in the Parochial House, Knockbridge every Thursday at 7.30pm. The meeting will be followed by Tea/Coffee..

House Blessings: If you are interested in having your house blest, please contact the parish office to arrange a suitable date and time for one of the priests to call to your home.

Interactive Prayer Station

Kilkenny Children's Liturgy Team have set up a Lenten Interactive Prayer Station. The Prayer Station themes for Lent are 'Pray', 'Fast' and 'Give'. Please feel free to visit the Prayer Station with your children.

Celebrating St. Oliver Plunkett

The Archbishop will unveil a new Bronze Statue in St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh on July 9th this year to mark the 350th anniversary of the Appointment of St Oliver Plunkett to the See of Armagh and honouring the Martyrs of Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. We ask for your prayers and invite your financial support to help bring this project to completion. Information flyers and envelopes about the project are available in the porch of the Church today for your consideration. May St Oliver bless you and yours.

Lough Derg One Day Retreats begin on Saturday 4th May and continue on 5th, 6th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 19th, 21st, 25th, 26th, and 27th. Why not take some time and space on Lough Derg personally or as a group this May? A NEW event is our parish ministry day Saturday 18th May. Booking essential. Tel: 071 9861518. Email fo@loughderg.org Web: www.loughderg.org

Pro Life Louth talk with Niamh Boyle, an inspiring young lady who had a bionic hand after surviving sepsis will be interviewed by Paddy Manning in The Westcourt Hotel, Drogheda on Tuesday April 30th 7:30pm. All welcome.

Come & See Vocations Weekend. The Diocesan Vocation Directors are running another Come and See weekend retreat in St. Patrick's College in Maynooth on the weekend of 18th and 19th of May. This is aimed at men aged 18 and over. All applications will need to be channelled through the local diocesan vocations director, so that the Director has an opportunity to assess the applicant and make a judgment call whether the person is ready or suitable for a Come and See retreat. Armagh Diocesan Vocations Director is Fr. Peter Mc Anenly 048 37522802.

Monthly sick calls: The sick and house bound will be visited at the usual times in Knockbridge on Thursday 2nd May and Kilkenny on Friday 3rd May.

Knockbridge Notes

PARISH BINGO



Every Thursday in the Parish Centre at 8.30pm.
€550 prizes every week + Raffle
Jackpot €1,000 for 45 numbers

St. Bride's GFC

The Following numbers were drawn on Tuesday 23rd April 2019 for the Jackpot of €10,000

03, 06, 13, 32

No Winner, Two Match Three Winners €100

Pat Murnaghan c/o Macs

Peter Myles c/o Macs

Lotto will resume next Monday 29th April 2019 for a jackpot of €10,200.

WIN A HOUSE FOR €100 or CASH ALTERNATIVE €200,000

St. Brides and St. Kevins: Draw takes place in St. Kevin's Philipstown 1st June 2019

Further details and to buy your ticket online Log onto www.winahouse.ie. Tickets may be purchased from any committee member.

Church Gate collection

This weeks church gate collection 27th/28th April is in aid of Knockbridge Hurling club.

Old School Reunion

To celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the closure of the Old School, it is envisaged to hold a Reunion on Friday 28th June 2019 in the Lisdoo Arms, Dundalk at 8pm. Those

Knockbridge Cemetery Appeal to All Families:

Have you noticed the new lights and paths? Aren't they a great addition? Yet we still need help! Can you please volunteer one or two hours of your time to help tidy the graveyard? As the numbers of volunteers have dropped rapidly, we are encouraging everyone to look after their own family grave including the surrounds (strimming, washing headstones, taking home old flowers). NB No dumping waste in the back lane. Let us all play our part in keeping the parish cemetery clean. Many thanks to those who have already come forward to help. Please contact Peggy McCreesh 086 3817585.

pupils who finished their National School Education there are invited. (i.e. Did not attend the new school at any time)

Knockbridge Envelope boxes have now been distributed. If you have not received your envelope box please contact the parish office @ 9374125. Thank you for your contribution to the running costs of the Parish.

Every €250 donated to the Parish is worth an extra €112 with a signed CHY3 Form. 60 forms were sent out, to date 22 completed forms have been returned. If you wish to receive a form please contact the parish office. Your contribution towards the administrative costs of the parish is vital.

Thought to bring Home:

Kilkenny Notes

SUNDAY DANCING



in the Community and Enterprise Centre this Sunday 28th April
Music by Sean Wilson & Toni Mac.
Dancing 9pm to 12 midnight
All welcome

Baptisms (Kilkenny)

We welcome into the Christian community Isabelle McCoy, Cortial who was baptised on Easter Sunday.

Readers List

The new reader's list for Kilkenny is now available in the sacristy.

Kilkenny Emmets lotto 23/04/2019, week 10. Jackpot €4,300, numbers drawn - 04, 07, 19, 26 - no winner. Winners of €20 each -

Niall McEnteggart c/o M Quigley; Shane Lennon - online, Frank Finnegan c/o M McGeown; Alice Lennon; Rian Hand - online. Thanks to all who supports the club lotto and those that promote and assist at draw each Tuesday night.

The Birches Support Group meeting is held on the first Tuesday of each month in The Birches Day Centre, Priorland Road, Dundalk at 7pm. The aim of the group is to provide a support network where people have an understanding of the difficulties of the family carer. All are welcome.

Do This in Memory (DTIM) Kilkenny
The next DTIM Mass will take place on Sunday 5th May.

Employ Ability Service Louth

Would you like to work part-time or full time? Are you unemployed due to accident, illness, injury, disability or in recovery from depression. We can help you seek employment. For further information on this service please contact Employ Ability Service 042 9386718

Bereavement Support

One to one Breavement Support - confidentially assured.

Appointment not necessary (No cost involved) **Time:** Thursdays mornings 10.30am—12.30pm.

Venue: Armagh Diocesan Pastoral Centre The Magnet, The Demense, Dundalk Enquiries from South: 042 9336393 from North 00353429336393 10am—2pm

Family Tree Healing Mass will take place on Monday 6th May at 8pm preceded by the rosary and confessions at 7.30pm and followed by tea/coffee. All are welcome.

Kilkenny Parish Finance Committee have their next meeting on Mon. 13th May at 8.30pm in the Knockbridge Parochial House.