

Covid-19 Support Line for Older People

Alone manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties to the outbreak of Covid-19. Professional staff are available reassurance where necessary. The support line is one seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

Coolkenno GAA Lotto: Last week's numbers: 17, 21, 26, 29

Winner: No Winner. This week's jackpot €12,900.

Next Draw: 26th. July In Club house

Lucky Dip Winners: Brian Dowley; Thomas Murphy; Edel Butler;
Jim Farrell

Thought for the week

SEEING YOUR LIFE IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL

Grandparent's Day

1. At the heart of this story, we are told that Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and distributed them. In our day this reminds us of the Eucharist, the bread of life, with which Jesus feeds us. Can you recall an experience of Eucharist that was especially significant for you? What was it that made it different? How did it influence your understanding of the Eucharist?
2. Take, give thanks, distribute. The actions of Jesus also suggest an attitude to time, gifts and living. We take what we are given, give thanks, and use what we have. Have you found that having a grateful heart for what you have been given has made it easier for you to share with others?
3. From what seemed meagre and inadequate resources many were fed. When have you found that when you gratefully use what little resources you have the results are beyond your expectations?
4. Jesus chose to involve those around him in feeding the people. Have there been times when you have experienced benefits from calling on those around you to use their gifts to help with a task?

Have a Wonderful Week

PARISH NEWSLETTER

25th. July - 17th. Sunday in Ordinary Time



PARISH CENTRE

The Parish Centre will be open Tuesdays and Fridays
from 9.30- 1.30

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Gift of love

We meet Jesus today in a situation of need. The crowds have followed him and they are hungry. Jesus challenges his disciples to provide a meal for them. When they object that they don't have enough money, and only a tiny amount of food, Jesus uses what they have to pull off a remarkable feat (and feast). For us, this Gospel might bring to mind the situation of migrants and asylum-seekers who experience hunger and hardship today. We are left in no doubt about our obligation to protect and care for those in need, just as Jesus provided for the hungry crowds. This feeding account also has the elements of a Eucharistic meal, with Jesus taking the food, giving thanks, and distributing it to everyone. Jesus doesn't produce this meal from nothing, but transforms what the disciples provide into a blessing for many.

Sharing in Eucharist means sharing our resources. It means ensuring people are not left to fend for themselves in crisis situations. When we receive the body of Jesus, it is a gift of love. But if we do not give and love in return, we are wasting the gift. Where people are in need, it is our responsibility, as followers of Jesus, to share and to provide. God will provide beyond our imagining, no matter how little we think we have to give, but we are invited to take the first step.

'If there is hunger anywhere in the world, then our celebration of the Eucharist is somehow incomplete everywhere in the world... We cannot properly receive the Bread of Life unless at the same time we give the bread of life to those in need wherever and whoever they may be.'
(Pedro Arrupe SJ)

Christian Motivational Phrases

"Remember who you are. Don't compromise for anyone, for any reason. You are a child of the Almighty God. Live that truth." - Lysa Terkeurst

Anniversaries - with love we remember



Saturday 24th. Kilquiggan 6.30

Andy O'Toole & John Wilson, Ballynultagh

Sean & Phyllis Byrne, Coolkenno

Sunday 25th. July: Clonmore 10.30

Margaret McDonald, Oldtown

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 27th. July Ballyconnell 9.30; Wednesday 28th. Mass in Ballyconnell at 9.30. Friday 30th. July. Mass in Ballyconnell at 7.30.

Blessing of graves in Kilquiggan Old Cemetery after Mass.

Are you being called to the Permanent Diaconate?

Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the altar and service.

Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment. A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in September 2021. For further information please contact Rev. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st.

Tel: 059 9161114 Email: permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie

'You did not choose me but I chose you' - John 15:16

Collections: Envelopes: €245 Baskets: €315

Bingo: Bingo: €265. Lotto: €368



GREAT NEWS: For all our bingo aficionados' enthusiasts, we are happy to let you know that we will continue our Bingo in the Car Park at the back of the Church in Ballyconnell every Sunday evening at 7.30. Please spread the word.

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Results for

Wednesday 24th. July 2021 Numbers: 04, 09, 25, 26

No Winner. Next week's Jackpot €12,000

12 Match 3s win €84 each. (One local winner)

A wonderful way of supporting our Parish financially, and also be in with a chance of winning €20,000, is through the Lotto. If you would like to renew your lotto subscription (those are due for renewal) and if anyone wishes to join our lotto, you can get forms in the Parish Centre; or in the back of the churches. If you wish to know when you are due for renewal you can contact the Parish Office or contact Fr. John

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path

The Lough Derg Pilgrim Path on the lough shore is now open daily. The full route is a 12km loop, with a shorter 8km option, and several information boards highlight features of particular interest. Leaflets are available at the Visitors Centre. A guided walk experience will be offered on Sunday 25th and Saturday 31st July, with Mass outdoors, weather permitting. Further dates for these guided walks will follow for late August and early September.

For bookings and further information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 0(0353) 71 9861518. www.loughderg.org