

PARISH NEWSLETTER

28th. July 2024

The 17th. Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Parish Office will be open
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ANNIVERSARIES - WITH LOVE WE REMEMBER

Saturday 27th Ballyconnell 7.30: Sean & Phyllis Byrne, Coolkenno,
William Bowes, Killinure.

Sunday 28th Kilquiggan 9.00: Months mind Mass, Bridget Grace
Stratnakelly. Mary Hunt, Crab Lane

Sunday 28th. Clonmore 10.30: Paddy Connolly, Minvaud
James, Molloy: who was buried during the week.



MASS SCHEDULE:

Tuesday 30th. Mass at 9.30. Wednesday 31st. Mass at 9.30.

Friday 2nd. August. Mass in Killinure at 7.30

Friday 2nd. August: Fr. John will attend the sick and housebound.

Collections: Weekend: 20/21 July: Envelopes: €284

Baskets: €316; Envelopes ret. 48. Bingo: €780

Ballyconnell Bingo: The jackpot this week will be €725

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto: Wednesday 24 July.
4, 17, 30, 31. No Jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot €20,000. 10 Match 3 get €100 each.

Coolkenno GAA Lotto: Last week's numbers: 9, 12, 20, 26. No Jackpot winner.
Next week's jackpot €5,000; Next Draw: Monday. 29th. July in Crab Lane. Lucky
Dip Winners: Anna Mary Keogh; Ric O'Shea; Cormac Byrne, Finessa Stedman

Coolkenno Field Day 28th. July @ 1pm. Underage games and lots of
fun stalls. All proceeds from the event to Coolkenno Juvenile club and
Coolkenno Ladies Gaelic Football club.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: There are still a few places available on
our pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 28th. August - 4th. September.

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)

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK