



Graiguencullen/Killeshin PARISH LINK

*Sunday 21st January 2018
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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Change of Heart

“Wanted:- Men and women willing to leave behind their old way of life and become fishers of men.” Can you see job applicants queuing round the block? Would we respond to Jesus’ call with the same immediacy as those first disciples? Probably not! Chances are we’d hesitate long and hard. A hundred and one questions would hold us back. What would being a disciple involve? Would we be up to the job?



What would we have to leave behind? What would we have to give up? Would part time discipleship be okay ... after all we’ve got lots else to do! Would candidates be permitted to serve two masters, giving up one’s own agenda is surely too much to ask!

There would be lots of questions we would ask, but sadly no easy answers. There is no one answer that is right for everybody.

But the one important message for us today is that discipleship usually means a major shift in direction; a change that involves leaving behind things that get in the way of our relationship with God. It is left to each of us to decide what our particular mode of discipleship might be, and what stands in the path of our new direction. Our new direction has to start with some good hard soul searching, and a change of heart.

Parish Envelopes:- to enable us to keep our records we would be very grateful if you could please put your name and address on your parish envelopes for 2018. Thank you for your support.

New Eucharistic Ministers Rota is currently being drawn up. If you wish to be removed from the rota for this year please contact the parish office as soon as possible 0599141833. Thank you to everyone who carries out this very special ministry in our church.

St Valentine’s Day:- we invite all couples to a special Mass in St Clare’s Church on Tuesday 13th February at 7pm to receive a special blessing. Any couple who is celebrating a special milestone anniversary this year and would like it celebrated at the Mass are asked to contact the parish office.

Pre-Baptism Meeting:- the next meeting of parents who are presenting their children for Baptism will take place on Wednesday 28th February at 7pm in the parish centre.

Commissioning of New Pope John Paul II Award Participants next Saturday 27th January @ 6:30pm Mass in St. Clare’s. We are also inviting last year’s JPII group who received their award in December to be presented with a certificate of completion from the parish.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity-18th-25th January 2018 Crossing Barriers

There are many different expressions of Christianity. In parts of the world where immigration has been high, we will have seen even more expressions of our joint faith. This year more than ever we are asked to remember that there is more that joins us than divides us. This week of prayer is an invitation to start looking not just at the work of the Catholic Church and not just of our own parish, but of Christians everywhere. Together we can be the politicians of peace that Pope Francis asks us to be. We could start by taking a look at Christian websites other than our own, forging links, sharing ideas, and joining forces.

ADORATION takes place every Wednesday in St Fiacc’s House from 10.30am to 2.30pm. All Welcome.

Pre-Marriage Courses

Accord Carlow have some place available on the following courses
Feb 2nd & 3rd, Mar 2nd & 3rd

If you are getting married in the Catholic Church, you are required to attend a pre-marriage course. Couples getting married in spring or early summer 2018 should book their course now. Bookings can be made on line at www.accord.ie. For further information please contact Mary 059 9138738.

Graiguencullen/Killeshin Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes will travel 10th to 15th July 2018 staying in Astoria Vatican Hotel. Bookings can be made with Tully’s Travel, Tullow Street 05991 31257.

Weekly Collection
Blue Bag: €1,726.00
Red Bag: € 633.00
We thank you for your continued support

Safeguarding:- If you are concerned about the welfare and safety of children or vulnerable adult contact Diocesan Designated Liaison Person (DLP) – Ms Joan Treacy: Ph:085/8021633 E-mail-dlp@kandle.ie

Graiguencullen Bingo
This Tues 23rd Jan @ 8.30pm
Jackpot €1,350 in 45 No’s
Check on Double No €320.00
Great Prizes to be won

Anniversary

Sat 20th 6.30pm (Months Mind) Marcella Corcoran, 143 Duggan Ave
(First Anniversary) Lily Rose Dwyer Parr, 87 Rochford Manor
 (Frank Salter, 111 New Oak Est)-(Mary (Ollie) Brennan, 98 Street)
 (Tommy Clarke, St Clare's Rd)-(Dot Hutton, The Poplars)
 Kathleen Lawler, 152 Duggan Ave **(Anniv & Birthday Rem)**
 Kieran Lawler, 152 Duggan Ave **(Birthday Rem)**
 (Patrick & Josephine Kelly, Maganey)-(Alice Kehoe, 39 Avondale Drive)
 (Thomas Coffey, 16 Chapel St also his wife Doll & parents
 Patrick & Frances also Martha Fenlon)
 Sarah Doyle, Athy also her husband James & sons James & Thomas

Sun 21st 9am Mona Culley, Crumlin also her daughter Carrie Murray
 (Bob Grey, Florida, U.S.A)-(Molly Brennan, 4 St Lazerians Tce)

10.15am (Months Mind) Kitty Brennan, Coolnariska
 Margaret Dunne, Monure, Killeshin Road

11.30am (First Anniversary) Kathleen Nolan, Burrin St
 Mary Brennan, Garraugh, Ballickmoyler Rd
 (Myra Murphy, 2 Morrins Lane)-(Toddy Kelly, Anneville)

Wed 24th 10am Intention Mass

Thurs 25th 10am (Jim Dunne, Dublin Road & Springhill, his wife Mollie
 daughter Eilish & son Sean)

Fri 26th 10am Patrick & Alicia Finn, Mill Lane & sons Joe, Tom & John

Sat 27th 10am **(Months Mind)** Enda Smith, St Fiacc's Hse, formerly Kells, Co Meath
 Christopher Lawlor, 70 Pearse Road
 Tommy Hennessy, 4 Maryboro St, also his wife Lily

6.30pm (Months Mind) Paul Redmond, St Fiacc's Tce & Oak Park Rd
(First Anniversary) Annie O'Leary, Cork
 (Hannah Lanigan, Ballyhide)-(Anna Abbey, Garryhundon)
 (Paddy Farrell, 8 Granby Row)-(Frank Hayden, Ballickmoyler Rd)
 (Clare Haughney, Governey Sq also her husband Tom, daughter
 Maryclare & sons Norman, Frankie & Francis)
 Bridget Ramsbottom, 5 The Numbers
 (Katie & Paddy Dowling, Crossneen)-(Tommy Keating, 2 Chapel St)

Sun 28th 10.15am (Henry O'Neill, Portlaoise Rd)-(Tim Rowan, The Strand)
 Christopher Moran, Keelogue

11.30am (First Anniversary) Rosaleen McHugh, Springhill,
 Kitty Kelly, Lr Rossmore
 Kathleen McDonald (nee Wright), New Oak Estate
 Intentions Mass for sympathisers of John Donnelly, Kilmacanogue
 John & Brigid O'Reilly, Fruithill also their daughters Breda & Lena & son Billy



R.I.P.

Alice (Babe) Mallon, St Fiacc's Tce

R.I.P.

Philomena (Phil) Dillon (née Mahon), Killeshin Road, formerly Ballinasloe

Phil Kehoe, 39 Avondale Drive, Hanover

READERS – ST CLARE'S

Sat 27th January

6.30pm: Martin Watchorn, Sean &

Margaret Costello

Sun 28th January

9am: Poor Clares

11.30am: Nicola Byrne, Eoghan

Cowan, Cathriona Kelly

READERS – HOLY CROSS

Sun 28th January

10.15am: Josh Farrell, Sean

O'Driscoll & Oisín Byrne

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

ST. CLARE'S

Sat 27th January

6.30pm: Aideen Dollard, Emily

Dunican, Ann Dormer, Gary

Dowling(C)

Sun 28th January

9am: Geraldine Bradley, Elaine

Doogue, Julie Doran

11.30am: Kathleen Byrne, Margaret

Connolly(C), Celine Dempsey, Jack

Doyle, Emma Dwyer, Laura Eccles

HOLY CROSS

Sun 28th January

10.15am: Chanel Cunningham,

Hannah Deering, Rebecca Dollard

Alzheimer/Dementia Support

Group will be held the first

Tuesday of each month @ 11am in

Bethany House Barrack Street

commencing Tues 6th February.

All are welcome to come in and

have an informal chat & get any

advice you need.

Table Quiz, Carlow Lions Club

in The Ballroom, Seven Oaks

Hotel, on Thurs 25th January @

8.30pm, for the Annual Lions

Club Fundraiser for Local needs.

Great Prizes and Fun Guaranteed.

Tables €40.00: Contact Joe 087-

6384306.

Protect the 8th talk and

training Carlow with Kate

Lawlor, Paddy Manning and

Michael Dwyer of Family &

Life on Monday Jan 22nd at

Seven Oaks Hotel at 7:30pm.

All welcome!

The Vincent de Paul shop on

Tullow Street are looking for

extra volunteers over the next 4

months. If you have 3 hours to

spare during the week please talk

to Alex Stenson in the shop,

phone us at 059 9173679 or

email us at

svpshopcarlow@gmail.com

Thank you in advance

for your interest.

Appreciation:-The Family of the late John Donnelly, Kilmurray, Kilmacanogue, Co. Wicklow (Father to Orla, Father-in-law to Larry & Grandad to Lisa McHugh, Springhill, would like to express their heartfelt and sincere gratitude to their wonderful neighbours, family, friends and all who supported them in whatever way possible since John's passing. Special thanks to all who travelled to the wake/funeral, sent cards, messages, to Fr John Dunphy, Fr. Liam Lawton, Fr. Conn O'Maoldhomhnaigh, Sr. Mary Murphy & everyone who helped make it a very special and fitting tribute. Your kindness will not be forgotten. Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Wellness Awareness Night at the Seven Oaks Hotel, on Wed the 24th January @ 7.30pm, Guest speakers are Francis Black (Singer & Addiction Counsellor), Mark Morrissey (Exercise for wellbeing), Tony O'Neill (Psychotherapist) and Linda Thorpe (Mental Health). Admission is Free.

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