

GRAIGUECULLEN KILLESBIN

- Parish Link -

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St. Clare's Church



Holy Cross Church

Carlow County Library Service presents "The Generation Game Project":

For Heritage Week which takes place this year from 14th to 22nd August, Carlow County Library Service presents "The Generation Game Project. Join Bernie Walsh, Genealogist with Carlow County Library Service for an Intergenerational, fun project. We're looking for children aged between 8 and 12, and an older family member (grandparent, aunt or uncle for example) to join together and participate in our Generation Game Project, If you are interested in taking part, email library@carlowcoco.ie for more details.

Graiguecullen Community Childcare:

(On the grounds of Fiacc's Primary School) are now taking enrolments for **Junior Preschool, ECCE Pre-school, Full Day Preschool, Afterschool and Breakfast Club** for September 2021. For more information, phone **059 9137105** or to make an appointment. Limited spaces available.

The Éist Cancer Support Centre:

Continues to provide emotional support and practical help to anyone affected by cancer, their families and carers. For more details on the services available please contact us on **085 8661499** or email: info@eistcarlowcancersupport.ie.

Ballon Business & Training Service:

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Tel: **059-915-9447** | ballonbts@gmail.com

Irish Catholic Newspaper:

Irish Catholic Newspaper on sale in st Clare's Church.

INVITATION TO JOIN OUR PARISH LOURDES PILGRIMAGE AT HOME

We invite you to join us for our Parish Lourdes Pilgrimage at Home. You can join us via webcam, Facebook Live or in person. While it will be lovely to make this pilgrimage together, we must remind all who participate that social distancing & sanitising guidelines still remain in place as well as the mandatory wearing of face masks both inside and outside at all our services. Please follow the direction of our volunteer stewards at all times. We want to have a lovely spiritual week together but also to ensure the safety of all. You are invited to write your own petitions at home and place them in the petition box in front of our Lourdes Sacred space to the side of the Altar. We are really looking forward to celebrating this special week with you all.

Fr. John

GK PARISH LOURDES PILGRIMAGE AT HOME 2021:

MONDAY 26 th JULY		
10am	Opening Lourdes Mass	St. Clare's Church
3pm	Song of Bernadette Movie	St. Clare's Church
9pm	Rosary Procession	Assemble at Poor Clare Monastery
TUESDAY 27 th JULY		
10am	Lourdes Mass	St. Clare's Church
3pm	Service of the Blessing of the Sick	St. Clare's Church
7.30pm	Rosary Procession	Oisin House, Upper Rossmore
WEDNESDAY 28 th JULY		
10am	Lourdes Mass: <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>	St. Clare's Church
3pm	Lower Stations of the Cross	St. Clare's Church
5pm	Youth Lourdes Gathering: <i>Volunteering in Lourdes</i>	St. Clare's Church
7.30pm	Lourdes Holy Hour: <i>Exposition & Benediction</i>	St. Clare's Church
9pm	Rosary Procession	Assemble at Poor Clare Monastery
THURSDAY 29 th JULY		
10am	Lourdes Mass	St. Clare's Church
3pm	Upper Stations of the Cross	Holy Cross Church, Killeshin
9pm	Rosary Procession	Assemble at Poor Clare Monastery
FRIDAY 30 th JULY		
10am	Final Lourdes Mass	St. Clare's Church
7.30pm	Closing Ceremony followed by Rosary Procession	St. Clare's Church

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY:

Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time this weekend on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20). Bishop Denis Nulty, chair of the Bishops' Council for Marriage and the Family has welcomed Pope Francis' World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, as a timely reminder for the whole Church to be close to all the elderly and grandparents at this time of pandemic. Bishop Nulty said, "There have been so many unsung heroes and heroines during the pandemic – grandparents and elders, including our older priests and religious – all who are to be applauded for how they have coped with the challenges and uncertainty brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic. As a society we have learned a lot from their stoicism and pragmatism in the face of so many challenges. "Throughout his papacy Pope Francis has reminded us to value the many gifts of grandparents and the elderly. In his theme chosen for this inaugural year I am with you always, the Holy Father is highlighting that promise of closeness that generations share with each other. Not only are our young people called to be present in the lives of older people, but so too grandparents and elders have a mission to encourage young people on their faith journey. Our little domestic churches are always enriched by the inclusion of grandparents and elders.

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 relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling **0818 222 024**.

St. Vincent De Paul:

Local Conference – St. Fiacc’s. Tel: **086-1592775**.

A very big thank you to everyone who continues to support the parish during the Covid 19 lockdown:

Contributions can be made directly from your bank by direct debits/standing orders. The parish account details are: Account Name: **Graigucullen Church** | BIC: **BOFIE2D** IBAN: **IE12 BOFI 9065 3123 3222 21**. Please put your name and address in the reference box. This is a really easy way to contribute to your parish!

PRAYER INTERCESSORS:

This group is available to pray regularly but individually for the life of the parish as well as specific intentions that arise from time to time. If you have a family member who is seriously ill or is undergoing a major operation or any other special request please ring the parish office (**9141833**) or alternatively email **gkparish@gmail.com** or text **087 6216207** & we will send out a group text to request prayers. In order to maintain confidentiality, we do not use names in the prayer texts.

Carlow Social Prescribing Service:

Is a free service which helps to link you with sources of support and social activities within your community. These include physical activity, reading groups/books for health, self-help programmes such as the Stress Control Programme, Men’s Sheds, community gardening, arts & creativity. For more information contact Sinéad **086-4147511** | E: **socialprescribing@catherines.ie**

Carlow Family Support Group:

You Are Not Alone- Drugs and Alcohol abuse effects families regardless of status in life. You did not cause it, you can’t control it and you can’t cure it. Help is available for those who live with this dreadful disease call **085 7872730**.

Carlow Library:

FREE events in Carlow Library;- Summerstars 2021 kicked off 14th June & runs until 27th August, book your 30 minute slot at your local library and arrange to call in with the kiddies & sign them up for lots of reading incentives, competitions etc & Art Exhibition by Frances Micklem at Carlow Library from 9th July to 24th July. Frances will hold workshops on divining and energy healing for oneself and home during this Exhibition

Male advice line:

The National Male Advice Line offers confidential advice and support to Male victims of domestic violence and abuse over the phone. This Service is also available to family and friends who may have concerns for a loved one and are seeking some guidance on how to help them. Telephone **1800-816 588**

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**

Clothes Recycling Collection:

Catherine Nolan and Vera Smith are now back accepting Clothes for their Clothes Recycling Collection in aid of their 2022 trip with Mellon Educate to South Africa to help build Schools in Capetown. (no duvets or pillows please) can be dropped at any time to Terry Smith Kitchens, Sleaty Road or collection can be arranged by contacting Vera at **086 8317940** or Catherine at **086 8709846**.

St. Clare's Hospitality:

St. Clare's Hospitality are looking for non perishable food items. At present we are giving out 80 dinners daily as well as family food packs and we are also delivering 60 food parcels. We would like to thank you for your continued support, we are very grateful.

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Theology of the Arts. Does the Church need art?:

The Priory Institute week-long online Summer School will run from 8-13 August and again from 22-27 August. The course includes six recorded presentations and is very flexible as it is delivered entirely online. Find out more and register on **prioryinstitute.com**

Carlow Active Retired:

Carlow Active Retired mini holiday Ballymascanlon County Louth Sept 13th four nights five days €365. Phone **086256702** for further details.

Elaine Walsh, Classical Soprano:

Diploma London College of Music. Available for Weddings and funerals. Can learn any song on request. Contact: **elainewalshsoprano@gmail.com** | **0852038148**.

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Carlow Garden Festival Sat July 24 – Mon August 1 2021 in Duckett's Grove:

Fifteen gardening gurus from across Ireland headline the Carlow Garden Festival programme for 2021. The festival features an appealing mix of workshops, garden tours, specialist talks and Q&A sessions located along Carlow's Garden Trail. Headlining the festival this year will be gardening personality Diarmuid Gavin who makes a welcome return along with gardener Paul Smyth, at a much-anticipated talk at Arboretum Home and Garden Heaven on Sat July 31st 2021. For more information please contact **eorourke@carlowtourism.com** or call **087 2379213**. All images of speakers and venues are available. All tickets should be booked on-line on the festival website **www.carlowgardentrail.com** which also features special accommodation packages for the festival.

Carlow Rainbows Group:

Offer a ten session Peer Support Programme for children aged 7 – 13 who have experienced loss through the death of a close relative or the separation of their parents. These Programmes are run separately, are free to participant and will commence in Askea Parish Centre when it becomes safe to do so. If you are interested please contact Anne on **087 6636 499** or Nora on **087 1269 709**. In addition we are now offering similar programmes for teenagers aged 13 to 16.

ANNIVERSARIES



Saturday 24th July - Sunday 1st August 2021

(Please note all Anniversaries can be emailed to gkparish@gmail.com)
or call the Parish Centre 059 91 41866 | 059 91 82882

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| Sat 24th | 6.30pm | (Month's Mind) Betty Culleton, Roscommon & Whitney Place
Mollie & Johnnie Keegan, Castle Hill
Kathleen Power, 34 Pacelli Ave (Birthday Rem) |
| Sun 25th | 10.15am
11.30am | Columba Thompson & Ollie Harte, Leland Walk, Clondalkin
(First Anniversary) Ann Mullaney, Raheendoran
Michael Lowry "Rose Cottage", Clogrennane
For the sympathisers of Mary Drea, Radharc Oisín
Christina & Nicholas Boran, Ballinagall, Arles |
| Mon 26th | 10am | Margaret Ellis, JKL Ave |
| Tue 27th | 10am | Intention Mass |
| Wed 28th | 10am | Frank Hayden, Staplestown Rd
Patrick Callinan, Rossmore |
| Thu 29th | 10am | Maria Barcoe, 25 Rossmore View (10th Anniv & Birthday Rem) |
| Sat 31st | 10am
6.30pm | Eddie Harte, Killeshin Rd (30th Anniv)
(First Anniversary) Alice Byrne, Ballyharmon
Jack Whelan, Crosneen and deceased family
Michael White, Killeshin Rd |
| Sun 1st | 9am
10.15am
11.30am | (Month's Mind) Ruth Carthy, Crosneen
Mick Dempsey, Lower Rossmore
(Month's Mind) John Kenny, Radharc Oisín
Noel McAssey, 118 St Clare's Rd
Berto Kelly, 158 Duggan Ave |

R.I.P.

Ann Shiels, Lower Rossmore