

# GRAIGUECULLEN KILLESHIN

## - Parish Link -

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*St. Clare's Church*



*Holy Cross Church*

### Graveyard Masses:

Graveyard Masses – as Covid restrictions have begun to ease the graveyard Masses can now take place as follows:- Sleaty Cemetery - **Sunday 17th October @ 3pm** | Killeshin Cemetery - **Sunday 24th October @ 3pm**.

### Fr. Liam Lawton:

This **Monday 4th October at 7pm** in St Clare's Church we take the opportunity to say farewell to Fr Liam and to thank him for the time and energy he has given Graiguecullen/Killeshin Parish and assure him of our continued prayers as he begins the next step on his journey as Adm. in Edenderry Parish. If you look up Liam Lawton on Wikipedia it states his music has been recognized for its unique quality. Liam's choral music is used by choirs all over the English-speaking world and has been translated into Spanish, German and Swedish. His work was recognized in the United States when he was invited to compose a work for the Irish American community in Chicago under the patronage of Mayor Richard Daley and his wife Maggie. This work was performed in Chicago Symphony Centre with narrator screen veteran Gregory Peck. In the many years of the events existence Liam was the only composer that had been invited to return at least four times and had such guest artists as John Cusack and John Malkovich narrate his work. The world has been blessed with Fr Liam's music but we here in the parish of Graiguecullen/Killeshin have had the privilege and are deeply blessed and grateful for having had his presence living among us in Crossneen since 1998. May we thank God for the blessings we've shared with Fr Liam and wish him well in his new role in Edenderry.

### First Friday:

This **Friday 1st October** is the first Friday and there will be a brief penitential reflection during 10am Mass in St. Clare's.

### Communion to the Housebound:

Holy Communion will be brought to the sick and housebound **during the coming week**.

## **Irish Catholic Newspaper:**

Irish Catholic Newspaper on sale in **St Clare's Church**.

## **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.

## **Blessing of Pets:**

To celebrate the feast of St Francis, Patron Saint of Animals and Pets (4th Oct) there will be a special blessing today **Sunday 3rd October at 3pm** outside the Parish Centre and a drive thru blessing will take place at **3.30pm (entrance from the Swimming Pool Car Park)**. People are invited to bring along their pets for this Special Blessing.

## **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**.

## **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**

## **Thursday Morning Club:**

Thursday Morning Club takes place **after 10am Mass**. All welcome.

## **Mass for the New School Year:**

The opening of the year Mass for Knockbeg College takes place on this **Tuesday 5th October @ 12 noon** in St Clare's Church. The Mass can be watched on our webcam. All families and members of the parish community are welcome to join in praying for God's Blessings on our schools for the year ahead.

## **Confirmation:**

Next **Sat 9th October** the Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at **11am in St Clare's Church**. We ask God's Blessings on the young people and their families & we thank the teachers and all who have helped

them to become full members of the Christian Community.

### **Lourdes Invalid Fund:**

The long awaited Lourdes Invalid Fund Draw will take place in the The Thatch, Graiguecullen on Friday **22nd October @ 8pm**. Please locate and return all cards as soon as possible to **The Thatch**. Enquiries to **Ursula @ 085 1794664**.

### **Friday 15th October is Baby Loss Awareness Day:**

Our **Annual Babies Remembrance Service** will be celebrated **at 7.30 p.m in St. Clare's Church** Graiguecullen, together with the lighting up of our Church, weather permitting. If anybody would like to design a patch for our Baby's Remembrance Quilt, you are welcome to do so. The required measurements for the patch are 6'X6" square with a little extra around the edges to allow for sewing onto the quilt. Reminder Graiguecullen/Killeslin have their own Baby Loss Support Group, where parents who have lost a baby before, during or after birth, meet at different times during the year, they organise and participate in Our Babies Remembrance Mass. If you require any further information on this, you may contact Graiguecullen Parish Centre on **059 91 41833 / 086 3988548**.

### **Would you like to work as a Health Care Support Assistant?:**

The HSE require Health Care Support Assistants (formally known as Home Helps) to provide care to clients in their own homes in the Carlow, Kilkenny, South Tipperary, Waterford & Wexford areas. If you would like more information on how you can join the team please check the job search section on **www.hse.ie** using reference code: SECH21HCSA to find out more details. Please note closing date is Monday 18th October at 12 noon and applications can only be accepted by email. For Carlow enquiries please contact **Jennifer on (059) 9178023**.

### **POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD:**

A Virtual **POPE JOHN PAUL II AWARD** Ceremony will take place on **Wednesday 13th October @7.30pm**. Streamed LIVE from the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow via **www.icatholic.ie** This year marks the twelfth annual Pope John Paul II Award Ceremony in our Diocese. Regrettably, we are not in a position to gather as a diocesan family to celebrate the achievement of our young people across our Diocese. Therefore, medals and certificates will be presented at parish level this year. Bishop Denis Nulty will virtually address the 300+ recipients live from the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow. The live stream of the ceremony will also be available afterwards on the iCatholic website and the iCatholic Player app. It has been a very different and difficult year for all, so it really is a credit to these young people and the support structures in our parishes and schools that so many were still able to achieve a medal against all odds. We hope that these young people will continue to contribute in a positive way to the life of the Church through their parish long into the future. For more information on this Award programme in Kildare & Leighlin, contact Cathriona Kelly **cathriona.kelly@kandle.ie**

### **Sharing the Good News of our Faith:**

A short online survey of those who have returned to parish celebration of Mass. The Social Media working group of the Diocesan Pastoral Council and the Diocesan Commission for Liturgical Formation have issued a short online survey that they are asking people who have returned to the public celebration of Mass to complete. The feedback given will give us great information for helping to build on and enrich our parish celebrations. The survey can be accessed on Kandle.ie or directly on the following link: **https://forms.office.com/r/nye9bBH7MG**

### **Study Theology Online, is this for you?:**

The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register now for **Autumn 2021**. Find out more on our website, **prioryinstitute.com**

## **Clothes Recycling:**

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**

## **Digital IT Zoom Workshops:**

Dates: **Mon 4th & 11th Oct & Mon 1st & 8th Nov-Time: 10.00am-12.00 noon** Apple Tree pruning in An Gairdín Beo Tutor: Eddie Byrne-Dates: **Mon 18th Oct & Thurs 21st Oct Time: 10.00am-12.00 noon** Practical guidance and hands on experience on how to prune apple trees. Free to participants but you must book your place in advance before **1st October**

Willow Basket Weaving-Tutor: Heike Kahle-Date: **15th November- Time: 10.00am-5.00pm** Each participant will learn weaving skills and will be enabled to make their own basket. You need to book your place before Friday 1st of October To book your place contact **fdunne@kcetb.ie** Max 8 participants. All workshops are sponsored by **Carlow ETB**

## **Weekly Collections w/e 12th Sept:**

**Blue Bag** (Envelopes): €770 | **Red Bag**: €880 | Direct Debits: €393 | Donations: € 150.

**We thank you for your support.**

## **Autumn Break:**

Autumn Break from 14th - 18th October in the beautiful surroundings of Castleross Park Resort, Killarney. Cost €450 pps includes 4 nights B & B, evening meal, bus & tours. Deposit of €200 to be paid before 3rd Sept. All enquiries to Eddie **086 8173843**.

## **St. Clare's Hospitality:**

**St. Clare's Hospitality** are seeking **non-perishable food items**. Presently we are giving out 80 dinners daily as well as family food packs, we are also delivering 60 food parcels. Donations can be left into the food barrels in the church or the parish centre. We would like to thank you for your continued support, we are very grateful.

# ANNIVERSARIES



**Saturday 2nd Oct - Sunday 10th Oct**

**Please note all Anniversaries can be emailed to [gkparish@gmail.com](mailto:gkparish@gmail.com)  
or call the Parish Centre 0599141833/0599182882**

- Sat 2nd 6.30pm (Bridget Proctor, Coolenaugh, Ballickmoyler also her husband Paddy and deceased family)  
(Niall Daly, Monasterevin)-(Bill William Kinsella, 7 Oakley Pk)  
Denis Dowling, 27 The Numbers  
Minnie & Pat Regan, Church St
- Sun 3rd 9am (Paddy & Bridie O'Rourke, 116 St. Clare's Rd also their son Seamus & daughter May Carpenter)  
10.15am Michael Brennan, Upper Rossmore  
Kay Young (née Scully), The Strand, Ballickmoyler  
11.30am **(Month's Mind)** Thomas (Tommy) Farrell, Clogrenane & Harrow Cross  
**(First Anniversary)** Mary Feeney, 36 Tommy Murphy Pk also her husband Kevin)  
**(First Anniversary)** Bridie Scully, Sleaty  
(Thomas & Molly Byrne, Ballybar also their sons Sean & Charley, daughter Peggy Olwill, Colclough Ave & her husband John)
- Mon 4th 10am Intention Mass
- Thu 7th 10am **(First Anniversary)** Bridie Scully, Sleaty  
Joseph Maher, Sleaty Rd
- Sat 9th 6.30pm Paddy & Maura Gillman, "Duhallow", Cooperhill  
Patrick Hennessy, 22 Church St & deceased family

## **R.I.P.**

Margaret Crotty, 10 Braganza, Athy Rd  
Bill Deverill, Graiguecullen & Castledermot