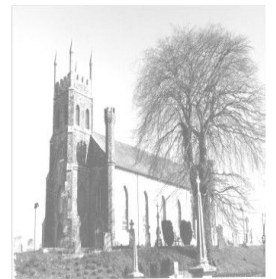


Graiguecullen/Killeshin PARISH LINK Sunday 19th May 2024 Pentecost Sunday



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In GK Parish, we value and encourage the participation of young people and vulnerable adults in all parish activities. We uphold the utmost standard of safeguarding to create a safe environment for all.

Parish Team: Fr. John Dunphy, Cathriona Kelly & Suzanne McWey
Priest on Call for Carlow Area: (Emergency Only) Phone: - 087/2588118

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

continues on this Monday 19th May at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church.

We invite people to place their petitions in the petition boxes in St Clare's Church. During our Novena, through the prayers of our Faith Community and the intercession of Our Lady we will ask Jesus to relieve whatever burdens we carry. Rosary recited at 7.10pm and Novena begins at 7.30pm.



GUEST SPEAKER is: Derek McGrath
Former centre-forward and previous manager of the Waterford senior Hurling team

Derek McGrath is a retired hurler who played as a centre-forward for the Waterford senior team. He is a former manager of the Waterford senior team. Born in Waterford, McGrath first played competitive hurling during his schooldays.

Over To Us

The disciples who for weeks had hidden away for fear of the Jews suddenly started behaving in an astonishing way. They came out of hiding and started teaching in many languages. What had got into them? Quite simply, the Holy Spirit had got into them as Jesus had promised. Those previously terrified people were suddenly filled with courage, energy, inspiration, purpose and conviction.

What is truly exciting about the Pentecost story is that we too have been given that very same Spirit in our baptism. So if we have received the same Spirit as was breathed into those first disciples, why can't we rush round doing amazing things too? One answer might be that we haven't really tried yet. One answer might be that to date we haven't really been tested? Another answer perhaps is that we can't quite place our faith in it. How sad though if the Pentecost story is simply a story contained by the past. How sad if we don't believe the men and women of our own time whose inspirational lives and huge courage point to the work of the Holy Spirit ... men and women who far from being super human were born just the same as the rest of us.

The Holy Spirit is given to all of us, and with it comes the power to transform the world ... the first disciples knew it ... now it's our turn.

Monthly Peace Mass in Carlow Cathedral on Thursday 23rd May starting at 7pm. Rosary Divine Mercy followed by Mass. Fr Tommy Dillon Celebrant.

ACCORD now seeking marriage preparation facilitators. Might this be you ... ?

Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and, have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage ... then Accord wishes to hear from you! An Accord marriage preparation facilitator is a personally fulfilling leadership role, blending life experience and faith. Successful applicants will receive professional training and be part of a team delivering marriage preparation programmes locally.

Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to marriagepreparation@accord.ie and for further information see www.accord.ie

Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine-Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join with him and parishioners from across the diocese at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock on Sunday 2nd June 2024. Ceremonies begin at 2.30pm in the Basilica. Carlow Cathedral Parish are organising a bus leaving from St Leo's at 8am, cost €30. To book, please contact Cathedral Parish Office. (05991 64087).

Graiguecullen Bingo

Tuesday 21st May.

St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm.
Jackpot on 41 numbers €830.
Double number €1,160
Lotto €1,250.

Graveyard Masses are as follows:

Killeshin-Friday 7th June @ 7.30pm.
Sleaty-Friday 14th June @ 7.30pm
Leaugh-Wed 19th June @ 7.30pm
St. Mary's-Mon 8th July @ 7.30pm

Finance Meeting: a meeting will take place on this Thursday 23rd May @ 8pm in the parish centre.

Please note: If you are housebound and would like a visit from a priest once a month please contact the parish centre 05991 41833.

Newly Baptised: this week we welcome 2 new members into our parish community.

Sonai Gary Burke
Allie Rita Connors

Congratulations to Killeshin Pipe Band who kicked off their Competition Season & competed at the Leinster Pipe Band Championship in Donabate, Dublin and took home a fantastic 2nd Place in their Grade!!

Retired Priests Collection-The Annual Diocesan collection for retired priests takes place at all Masses on the weekend of Sun 26th May. The continued support of this collection is much appreciated.

ANNIVERSARIES

Please note all Anniversaries can be emailed to gkparish@gmail.com

- Sat 18th 6.30pm** **(Months Mind)** Sheila Ramsbottom, Sleaty St
Thomas & Brigid Murphy, 1 St Lazerian's Tce
(Danny Doogue, 84 St Clare's Rd)-(Josie Phillips, Stevenage)
James (Jimmy) Scully, 50 Fr Byrne Pk
Tom & Annie Quinn, Monavea & deceased family
Pauline Fitzpatrick, Rochfort Manor
Eddie Malone, Coolane also his parents James & Anastasia
Maudie Brennan, Mullins Lane, Crossneen
Patrick & Ellen Brennan, their son Michael & daughter Connie, Ballycarney
Katie Moore, Mullins Lane, Crossneen
William, Margaret & Ronald Nolan, 31 Pacelli Ave
Richard O'Neill, Rathellen, Bagenalstown
- Sun 19th 9am**
10.15am Harry O'Brien, Crossleigh House
Mary (Molly) Hearn, Clonmore, Killeshin
(Breda Maguire, Clonmore, Killeshin)-(Catherine Fitzgerald, Coolane)
11.30am (William (Billy) Gaule, 90 Pearse Rd)-(Intention Mass)
- Mon 20th 7.30pm** Danny & Rita Doogue, St Clare's Rd
- Tues 21st 10am** **(First Anniversary)** Anne McGill, Donegal
John Maddock, Ballyharmon
- Thurs 23rd 10am** (Annie O'Neill & Una McCluskey, 26 The Numbers & deceased members of the Kavanagh Family)
(Charlie & Ber Dempsey, 38 New Oak Est)-(Cian English, Carlow & Australia)
- Fri 24th 10am** (Special Intention)-(Margaret Hayden, Ballickmoyler Rd)
- Sat 25th 6.30pm** **(First Anniversary)** Gerry O'Brien, Blackbog Rd
(Dermot Farrell, Askea Lawns)-(Gerry Heary, 5 Sleaty Street)
(Thomas & Frances Ryan, 65 Maher Rd also their daughters Clare, Carmel & Betty)
Michael (Fay) Dowling, 11 St Clare's Rd **(Anniv. & Birthday Rem)**
(Brigid Price, Castlewood Gardens & Graiguecullen also her husband Patrick Cooney)-(Francis Davin, 25 The Numbers)
Aidan Power, Pacelli Ave **(90th Birthday Rem)**
- Sun 26th 9am** Mick Byrne, Cappalug also his daughter Elizabeth
Mai Lyons, Oak Park Rd also her husband Michael
- 10.15am** **(Months Mind)** Tom Scully, Chapel St
Sheila Dempsey, Killeshin **(Birthday Rem)**
- 11.30am** Pakie, Stasia & Patrick Doyle, Ardenteggle
(Months Mind) Helen Nash, 9 Church St
(First Anniversary) Gerry O'Brien, Blackbog Rd
Thomas & Julia O'Reilly, Ballyhide & deceased family
Edmond McKenna, 186 Colclough Ave

Sean Connolly, Hollymount, Carlow

Michael Murphy, Linkardstown, Carlow

Tom Byrne, Tralee formerly Rossmore, Carlow

R.I.P.

Jack Nolan, Alpine Service Station, Moone, Co Kildare

R.I.P.

Eileen Ellis, Bettystown, Co Meath formerly Ballyfermot

Rosaleen Reilly, Killeshandra. Co Cavan

GRAIGUECULLEN SWIMMING POOL

Learn-to-swim Summer Camps.

€60 per child.

- CAMP 1: 10am; Mon 1st July- Fri 5th July,
CAMP 2: 6pm; Mon 1st July- Fri 5th July,
CAMP 3: 10am; Mon 8th July- Fri 12th July,
CAMP 4: 6pm; Mon 8th July- Fri 12th July,
CAMP 5: 10am; Mon 15th July- Fri 19th July,
CAMP 6: 6pm; Mon 15th July- Fri 19th July,
CAMP 7: 10am; Mon 22nd July- Fri 26th July,
CAMP 8: 6pm; Mon 22nd July- Fri 26th July,
CAMP 9: 10am; Mon 12th Aug- Fri 16th Aug,
CAMP 10: 6pm; Mon 12th Aug- Fri 16th Aug.

Bookings being taken at the pool office.

Children must be at least 4 years of age.

Limited spaces.

The Odd Couple-Carlow Little Theatre Society are delighted to be returning to the stage of the George Bernard Shaw theatre next week, with their production of Neil Simon's classic comedy **'The Odd Couple'**. Performing Thursday 23rd May - Sunday 26th May at 8pm.. Admission €22 | €20 concessions (including OAPs). Bookings via visualcarlow.ie or 059-917200 via <https://visualcarlow.ie/whats-on/carlow-little-theatre-presents-the-odd-couple>

Weekly Collections 11th/12th May

Red Bag: €863

Blue Bag: €1,580

Direct Debits: €160

Tap Donations: €60

Donations: €100

We thank you for your support.

A coffee Benefit morning was held on 25th Sept 2023 at Greenlane BNB to help a person suffering with facial cancer to receive urgent treatment. We are glad to report that the treatment is now complete and was very successful. As there is a surplus following payment it has been decided to donate to the Home Care Care Team as the support and look after people with Cancer. On behalf of Frank, Pat and Noleen we wish to express our grateful thanks to all who donated and helped on the day.

Carlow Flower Club's May meeting will be a demonstration by Elizabeth Murray. AOIFA Judge, Teacher and Demonstrator. Event takes place on Tuesday 28th May at 8.00pm in the Woodford Dolmen Hotel. Visitors entry fee €10. Competition for all classes, "The Maypole". Club AGM will be held after the demonstration.

The next Killeshin community clean-up will take place Saturday 25th of May at 10am. Meeting outside Killeshin community centre, gloves, bags and litter pickers provided. For queries text Eoin Barry 087-742748

Killeshin Ladies Football are hosting a Table Quiz on Friday 24th May 2024 in The Glenside, Killeshin (R93 Y239) @ 9pm. €40 a table/ 4 per table. Raffle and great prizes on the night. Your support would be greatly appreciated. For more information contact: Bernard 087 2332933 or Cathy 087 2227560.

Accord Carlow Marriage Preparation Programme Places available on the following dates 6th & 7th September 2024, 11th & 12th October 2024, 8th & 9th November 2024. Book your place today on www.accord.ie

Pre-Baptism Meeting – our next pre-baptism meeting will take place on Wednesday 29th May at 7pm in the parish centre. All parents who are presenting their child for baptism in the next few months are invited to attend.