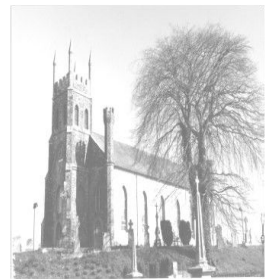


Graiguecullen/Killeshin PARISH LINK Sunday 26th May 2024 Trinity Sunday



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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 27th 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: Professor Jim Lucey
Inspector with Mental Health Commission - writer, broadcaster and public speaker.



Blessing of the sick will take place during this week's Novena

Professor Jim Lucey is a writer, broadcaster, and public speaker with three best-selling books on mental health 'In My Room,' 'The Life Well-Lived' and 'A Whole New Plan For Living'.

He is the Inspector of Mental Health Services at the Mental Health Commission of Ireland and a Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at Trinity College Dublin (TCD) and an Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland RCSI. He has over 35 years' experience, in clinical psychiatry.

Don't Keep It To Yourself!

If we have heard a wonderful concert, read a great book or laughed at a new comedy, we are keen to share the experience. We want to talk about that comedy in work the next day or lend the book to a friend so that they can enjoy it too. We are not so keen to share what our faith means to us. We don't want to be accused of 'bible bashing' or to be considered odd. Past experience has taught us that we can easily bore our friends with religious rhetoric. Many a heated row has ensued between family and friends of different faiths. As a result, we have learned to keep our mouths shut; yet in today's gospel we are told to "go and make disciples of all in the name of the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit."

The message is clear. We are told that the God who will be with us until the end of the age wants us to teach all that Jesus has commanded. We have been asked to do this in the name of the Father who made us, the Son who taught us, and the Holy Spirit that enables us. We have not been asked to keep our mouths shut!

We don't have to be boring or start a family feud to pass on what we know. There are many absorbing subjects in the bible that we can discuss at different levels. Many would advocate setting a good example as the best method of teaching. Whatever ways we choose, the message today is 'don't keep it to yourself.'

Retired Priests Collection takes place at all our Masses this weekend 25th/26th May to assist in the ongoing support of our Retired priests. Priests in the diocese are paid a set salary from the Priests Collection during the year and any monies leftover goes towards helping our retired priests. Unfortunately, the monies leftover at present are insufficient to provide this assistance. Bishop Denis and the priests of the diocese thank you for your on-going contributions for priest collections. Envelopes are available in parish envelope boxes or at church doors.

Pre-Baptism Meeting – our next pre-baptism meeting will take place on this 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.

Congratulations to all the young people from our Parish who have graduated from Secondary School this week. Lord bless and guide them as they chart new beginnings. May God give you the grace to make wise choices and to be faithful to your commitments, always confident in the support of those who love you.

Graiguecullen Bingo

Tuesday 28th May.

St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm.
Jackpot on 42 numbers €960.
Double number €1,230
Lotto €1,300.

Invitation to all **Junior & Leaving Cert students and their families** to join us at 6.30pm Mass on Saturday 1st June in St. Clare's Church. The students will receive a special blessing of their hands to help them do their best and have peace in the days ahead.

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).

Newly Baptised: this week we welcome 2 new members into our parish community.
Mia Erin Kendrick
Aaron Glancy O'Connor

St. Vincent De Paul: Local Conference –
St. Fiacc's. Tel: 086-1592775

ANNIVERSARIES

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

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)-(Tom & Annie Quinn, Monavea)
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)**
(Anastasia Hogan, Church St)-(TD Egerton, Charlotte St)
(Elizabeth Carr, Crossneen)-(James Scully, Fr Byrne Park)

Sun 26th 9am
Mick Byrne, Cappalug also his daughter Elizabeth
Mai Lyons, Oak Park Rd also her husband Michael
Patrick Amond, Riverside

10.15am **(Months Mind)** Tom Scully, Chapel St
Sheila Dempsey, Killeshin **(Birthday Rem)**

11.30am **(Months Mind)** Helen Nash, 9 Church St
(First Anniversary) Gerry O'Brien, Blackbog Rd
Thomas & Julia O'Reilly, Ballyhide & deceased family members
Edmond McKenna, 186 Colclough Ave
Edward (Ned) Burke, Ardenteagle
(Thomas Finnegan, Barrack St)-(Jack Moran, Church St)
Margaret Carolan, Levittstown, Maganey **(Birthday Rem)**
Margaret Hayden, Ballickmoyler Rd
Aidan Power, Pacelli Ave **(90th Birthday Rem)**
Fr John Fingleton PP Graiguecullen/Killeshin
Baby Calum Core Lawler, Heatherhill **(18th Anniv)**
Tom Loughman, Sleaty
(David Hutchinson, Crossneen)-(Ned McGrath, 6 Pollerton Rd)
Liam Bradley, Iskaheen, Killeshin Rd
Pauline & Mattie Kearney, Keelogue

Sophia (Sonie) Connolly (née Mulhall), 182 Pollerton Road, Carlow

R.I.P.

Kieran McCarthy, formerly Cloydagh, Carlow

Declan McDermott, 'Conahy', Killeshin Road, Carlow

R.I.P.

Carlow Choral Society – Verdi Requiem with the RTÉ Concert Orchestra

Carlow Choral Society proudly presents Verdi Requiem in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow, on Friday 31 May at 8pm. Conducted by Blánaid Murphy and accompanied by the RTÉ Concert Orchestra, soloists include internationally acclaimed Sylvia O'Brien, Soprano, Raphaela Mangan, Mezzo Soprano, Lawrence Thackery, Tenor and John Molloy, Bass. Suggested patronage for those over 16 is €25. See www.eventbrite.ie or carlowchoralsociety.net.

Weekly Collections 18th/19th May

Red Bag: €805
Blue Bag: €1,823
Direct Debits: €205
Tap Donations: €75
Donations: €110

We thank you for your support.

Kildare Lough Derg Pilgrimage

-Kildare 3 day pilgrimage to Lough Derg takes place on 5th-7th July and 13th-15th August this year. A bus will depart from Monasterevin, Kildare Town, Newbridge, Naas, Sallins, Clane, Kilcock, Maynooth and Dunboyne. For information and bookings contact -Joe 087 3815887, Deirdre 087 2467594 (After 6pm)

email deirdregleeson@medwise.ie

Padre Pio's Glove will be in Fitzpatrick's House, Kilberry, Athy on Saturday 1st June from 11am to 5pm. Contact Anne 085 1696189 for information.

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.

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

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.**

Keep up to date with happenings in the Church in Ireland: Catholic News is the news service of the Irish Catholic Bishop's Conference. You can follow their articles on www.catholicnews.ie where you can also subscribe to a weekly ezine straight to your email inbox. To keep up to date with what's happening on the Irish Synodal Pathway follow its Facebook page and X account – just type into the search box of each - 'synodal pathway'. This will keep you in touch with what is happening in the Universal Synod also. And don't forget to check out the diocesan website, kandle.ie, as well as our Facebook and X account to stay in touch locally!

Catherine Nolan and Vera Smith continue to hold our clothes recycling collection in aid of our ongoing trips to South Africa to help build schools in the townships in Cape Town with Mellon Educate. All bags can be dropped to Terry Smith Kitchens, Sleaty Road, Graiguecullen Monday to Friday between the hours of 8.30am – 4.30pm. Please no duvets, pillows, cushions, or toys. We accept old clothes, shoes, handbags, towels, bed linen, curtains. It costs us money to dispose of duvets etc. Collection can be arranged by contacting Catherine 086 8709846 or Vera 086 8317940. Thank you for your continued support.

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

**Carlow Family Support Group - You Are Not Alone- Drugs and Alcohol abuse affects 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.**