

Graiguecullen/Killeshin PARISH LINK

Sunday 9th June 2024

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

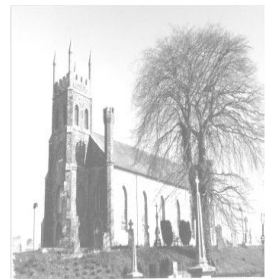
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In GK Parish, we value and encourage the participation of young people and vulnerable adults in all parish activities. We uphold the utmost standard of safeguarding to create a safe environment for all.

Parish Team: Fr. John Dunphy, Cathriona Kelly & Suzanne McWee
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The Common Good

Today's gospel is particularly relevant in a climate of war and divisive politics. In today's gospel we find the people of Galilee trying to decide who Jesus is and the claims are clearly becoming divisive. There is a bit of a controversy going on where some think that Jesus has 'Beelzebul in him'.... a name for Satan. The very idea seems alien to us since we have long since decided who Jesus is, but this was not the case for the people of the time who had observed Jesus performing all sorts of powerful signs and had to ask themselves where Jesus' power came from. Was Jesus' power from God or was it from the devil? We cannot blame them for asking this question.

Jesus deals with the controversy by giving us a lesson in the differences between the work of the devil and the work of God. The devil sets us up against each other in opposition. The devil tears down nations. The devil tears down households and families. The devil divides and scatters. God on the other hand helps us to work towards peace and unity. God forgives us our sins and encourages us to forgive each other and to work together. Jesus' work is not about division but about welcoming everyone to him whoever they might be. His power clearly does not flow from the devil.

So how can we apply this lesson two thousand years later? We open a newspaper or switch on the news. We watch our politicians and world leaders. We know that their job is to make the world a better place. We have to give them credit where they succeed but we have to be mindful of their shortcomings too. When leaders start to tear each other down and divide nations, we have to know that this is not God's will. God's will is to unify us so that we are working together towards a common good.

Today we need to look at the divisions in our world and ask how those divisions might be healed. Everyone on the planet is part of one human family. As Jesus says in today's gospel, "Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother."

Novena 2024:- a big thank you to all involved in making our 19th Annual Novena such a success. Once again, we experienced great Blessings during the nine weeks. Thanks to all who took part and all who attended. Thanks to all our guest speakers who inspired us by their words of hope and healing. A special thanks to Cathriona Kelly our chief organiser for all her work. Many of our guest speakers and visitors from outside the parish commented on the warmth and sacredness they experienced during the Novena. Thanks to John Bradley for all the photos and facebook pieces.

All-Ireland Pollinator Plan For June: Local communities can lead the way in creating an Ireland where pollinators can thrive. Our Bees and other pollinating insects are in trouble. The good news is that you can help by making your garden pollinator friendly. Every garden, no matter its size, can be a haven for hungry pollinators. Download the set of pollinator friendly garden guidelines www.pollinators.ie

Annual Day of Prayer & Reflection for Deacons: Takes place on Saturday 22nd June at Knock Shrine. The day is open to anybody that would like to attend, in addition to deacons, aspirants and their families. Fr. Declan Hurley will speak on "A Synodal Approach to Diaconal Ministry"
To confirm your attendance please contact Deacon Tony Larkin at deacontony17@gmail.com or 0857392473.

Newly Baptised: this week we welcome 3 new members into our parish community.
Aoibhín Marie Chall
Lorcan Philip Henry
Theo Laurence Heffernan

Graveyard Masses are as follows:

Sleaty-Friday 14th June @ 7.30pm

Leaugh-Wed 19th June @ 7.30pm
St. Mary's-Mon 8th July @ 7.30pm

Graiguecullen Bingo
Tuesday 11th June.

St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm.
Jackpot on 44 numbers €1,220.
Double number €1,370
Lotto €1,400.

Post Confirmation retreat will take place on this Wednesday 12th June in the Parish Centre for those who signed up for a ministry following their recent Confirmation. We wish them every blessing as they begin their new ministries.

Ruach Ministry Portlaoise 3-Day Residential Retreats 2024: Faith formation based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and Inner Healing Adoration, led by Fr. Prince Clarence S.J. Venue: De La Salle Retreat Centre, Castletown, Co Laois. Dates: 23rd-25th July, 30th July – 1st August, 6th – 8th August. Cost: €195.00 per person, per retreat. Contact: Margaret 087 2312066/Oonagh 086 1736181.
Email: ruachministry5@gmail.com

Rally For Life 2024: Ireland's largest annual pro-life march takes place Saturday, 6th July 2024 at 1.30 p.m, Parnell Square, Dublin. Contact 01 8730465 to book a seat on a rally bus from your area
See www.rallyforlife.net and www.thelifeinstitute.net/rally2024 for more information.

Priests Summer Collection: this quarterly collection can still be left into the Parish Office. Envelopes are provided in weekly envelope boxes or alternatively envelopes are available at church doors. We thank you for the wonderful support you continue to give.

Sleaty Cemetery Mass – Please note there is parking available in Mrs Dormers yard at Sleaty Roundabout for people attending the graveyard Mass.



ANNIVERSARIES

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

- Sat 8th 6.30pm** (Months Mind) Nora Cullen, Newbridge & Two-Mile-House
Liam Dunphy, Ballinakill & St Fiacc's Hse (100th Birthday Rem)
Eugene Conlon, Armagh
Martin Comerford, Castlecomer & St Fiacc's Hse
- Sun 9th 9am**
10.15am (Kieran Lawler, Duggan Ave-(George McCarney, 33 Pacelli Ave)
(Elizabeth Byrne, Lr Rossmore)-(Nell Kinsella, Crossneen)
Eileen O'Regan, Killeshin Rd
Martin & Anastasia Doran, Cappalug
(Mick Scully, The Strand)-(Mikey Dunne, Killeshin Rd)
(Gerard Dooley, St Mary's Park)-(Annie Byrne, Springhill)
- 11.30am** Baby Lydia Clare Scully, 5 St Lazarian's Tce (24th Anniversary)
Shay Lawler, Tommy Murphy Pk & Duggan Ave (10th Anniv)
(Timmy Delaney, Borris-in-Ossory)-(Kathleen Kealy, Kilkenny)
- Tues 11th 10am**
Clare Byrne, St Fiacc's Hse
-  Antoinette & Leon Wyss, Switzerland
Rene & Marcel Wyss, Switzerland
CC de La Rey Swardt, South Africa
Antoinette & August Bader, Switzerland
- Wed 14th 10am** Nancy & Johnny McDonald, Pacelli Ave
Thurs 13th 10am Declan Horohan, 22 Rossmore View
Fri 14th 7.30pm William & Kathleen Byrne, Sleaty
Dinny Byrne, Pacelli Ave (15th Anniv)
Liz Bolton, Duggan Ave
- Sat 15th 6.30pm** Bridie & Benny Murphy, Mount Clare Court
Tommy Dowling, 76 Pearse Rd also his parents Edward & Mary Tinryland
John & Jane O'Shea, 29 St Fiacc's Tce
Pamela McAssey & Kenneth Bolger, 1 Dolmen Heights
- Sun 16th 10.15am** (Matthew Nelson, Killeshin)-(Paul Dowling, Coorlaghan)
Ollie Harte, Lealand Walk, Clondalkin
11.30am Kitty Brennan, Coolnariska (Birthday Rem)
Peter Brophy, USA & Carlow
Bridie Murphy & Benny Murphy, Mount Clare Court
Tina Murphy, Springhill
Liz Bolton, Duggan Ave
Kathleen Lanigan, The Lock also her daughter in law Betty & deceased family
Peggy (Margaret) Brennan, Hillview, Crossneen

R.I.P. Maria Nolan (nee Burke), "The Laurels", Killeshin Road
Shirley Power (nee Cleary), Tierernane, Ballickmoyler, **R.I.P.**
Valerie Townsend (nee Byrne), "Ashlee", Linkardstown, formerly Pearse Rd
Tyrone Goodier, 75 Tommy Murphy Park, formerly Winsford, England

Weekly Collections 1st/2nd June

Red Bag: €735
Blue Bag: €1,538
Direct Debits: €109
Tap Donations: €69
Donations: €150

We thank you for your support.

Kathleen's Krazy Bingo Night in Pal Clubhouse @ 8pm on Saturday 15th June. Books €10. All proceeds will be donated to CRY Ireland in memory of Pamela Reid.

Chroma Annual Art Exhibition 24
Carlow County Library
5th - 13th June
Mon - Fri 11 - 5pm,
Tues & Thurs until 7.30pm,
Sat Morning

Volunteer Meals On Wheels Delivery Drivers Required for St Catherine's Community Services Centre Carlow. If you have one to two hours to volunteer in your community for one morning per week, delivering meals within the radius of Carlow town, we would love to hear from you. Contact Meals on Wheels Service @ 059 9138700 or email mow@catherines.ie

JOB VACANCIES - Home Care Assistant/CARE Worker - Bagenalstown/Leighlinbridge. Comfort Homecare €15-€20 per hour. For all our latest job opportunities text RECRUIT and your name to Majella Thompson, Branch Manager 089-2447499 or

email majella
@comforthomecare.ie if you would like more information.

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.**

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.

Are You Eligible for a C.E. Scheme? Graiguecullen Killeshin Parish CLG is seeking to recruit participants for our Community Employment Scheme in the Parish Grounds, Swimming Pool, St. Fiacc's House, Rehab Care, Carlow Tourism, Éist, St. Pat's G.A.A, Snooker & Billiards Ireland. People must be in receipt of a welfare payment. If you or you know someone that is interested, please do not hesitate to call to Catherine or Ann Louise at our C.E. Office situated in the Swimming Pool building or just phone: 0599134887 for more information.

Safeguarding Children: Our parish values and encourages the participation of children and young people in parish liturgies and activities that enhance their spiritual, physical, emotional, social, and intellectual development and will work in a partnership way with parents at all times. Everyone in the Church has an obligation to ensure that the fundamental rights of children are respected. Our Parish is committed to working in partnership with the civil authorities to ensure that all aspects of child welfare are managed promptly, professionally, and justly. Further information is available on noticeboards at all church doors or on our website www.graiguecullenkilleshin.com. Diocesan policy and procedures are set out in the publication – 'Kildare & Leighlin Diocese: Safeguarding Children Policy & Procedures'. This document is available on the diocesan website – www.kandle.ie