



Sunday 20th October 2024
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

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.

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*Pope Francis' Message
 for Mission Sunday 2024*

Mission, we see, is a tireless going out to all men and women in order to invite them to encounter God and enter into communion with him. Every Christian is called to take part in this mission by offering their own witness to the Gospel in every context so that the whole church can continually go forth with her Lord and Master to the 'crossroads' of today's world. Today's drama in the Church is that Jesus keeps knocking on the door, but from within, so that we will let him out! Often we end up being an 'imprisoning' Church which does not let the Lord out, which keeps him as 'its own', whereas the Lord came for mission and wants us to be missionaries.



NEWSLETTER NOTES

To guarantee inclusion in our newsletter, all notices and anniversary bookings must be received before 2pm on the Wednesday before publication. Thank you.



NEWLY BAPTISED

This week we welcome two new members into our parish community.
Lily Cathy McManus
Croia Anne McManus



NEW GK JUNIORS

At our recent Youth Mass, 15 young people received a special blessing with chrism oil from Bishop Denis Nulty.



Alannah O'Leary, Amber Kirwan
Aoibhinn Maye Bonnie Quinn
Conor O'Sullivan, Eimear Pender
Ellie-Rose Hutton, Elliott Kinsella
Faye Brennan, Jack Shiels
James Murnane, Johnny McGrath
Leah Horahan, Saoirse Kehoe
Sofia Gaudina

This was an acknowledgement of their commitment to their Confirmation promises by becoming involved in various parish ministries. We wish them many happy, memorable moments as they continue to minister in our parish.

ROSARY FOR WORLD PEACE

Every Thursday in Oct at 3pm in St. Clare's Church.



HOME VISIT

If you are housebound and would like a visit from a priest once a month, please contact the parish centre.



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



This weekend marks the Holy Father's direct appeal for spiritual and financial support for the life-giving work of missionaries. Mission Sunday Collection will be held at all masses this weekend. Please use envelopes included in envelope boxes or at Church doors. Thank you for your support.

'DEEP PEACE'

Voices for community

A CHARITY CONCERT

A special concert will take place in Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow this Sunday 20th October at 4pm in aid of St Clare's Hospitality Carlow.

Featuring:

Carlow Cathedral Choir
Schola Cathedralis
Carlow Voices



Admission is free but there is a suggested donation of €10. Under 16s are free.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PROGRAMME

Young people preparing for Confirmation will be enrolled in the Parish Preparation Programme this Sunday Oct 20th at 10.15am Mass in Holy Cross and 11.30am Mass in St. Clare's. We ask God's blessing on the young people as they prepare to receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.



GK PARISH

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The AGM of the parish finance committee takes place on Wednesday 6th Nov at 8pm in the parish centre. Summary of 2023 accounts are available to view on Church notice boards and on our website. If anyone has any queries please come to the meeting on 6th November.

PARISH CENTRE VOLUNTEERS

Could you spare an evening now and again to volunteer in our parish centre when help is needed? If so, contact the parish centre.

What is involved:

- Welcome groups on arrival
- Guide groups to their room
- Stay on site while the centre is in use
- Occasionally help with refreshments



INFANT BURIAL GROUND

Recently we discovered that some infants had been buried near the grounds of the Romanesque doorway in Killeshin. On Sunday 3rd November, there will be a special Mass in their memory @3pm in the old cemetery. During the mass, this newly found burial ground will be consecrated and a special memorial stone and seat will be unveiled. All are welcome.

A word of gratitude to Tom Kennedy who worked tirelessly to make this happen.

ANNIVERSARIES

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SATURDAY 19th

6.30pm Bernie Hayden, New Oak Estate
Kevin Strong, John Sweeny Park
Gerard Murnane, Portlaoise Road
Johnny and Lizzie Corcoran, Whitney Place, their daughter Betty and their daughter-in-law Chrissie
Nora Gordon, 112 Church Street
Pat Kennedy, Ardenteggle, Killeshin his wife Agnes, son PJ, and their granddaughter baby Helen.
PJ O'Gorman, Athy
Rory Purcell, London (Birthday Remembrance)
Alice Smith, Garren, Stradbally (Birthday Remembrance)



SUNDAY 20th

9am Alice Grant, 122 St Clare's Road

Holy Cross

10.15am Patsy Comerford, Graiguecullen and Carlow (First Anniversary)
Eddie Malone, Coolhenry, Killeshin
Pat & Margaret Mullins, Coolnariska, Killeshin
Denis Dempsey, Coolhenry and his son Christopher Ashgrove
Betty Scott, Ballybit, Rathvilly

St. Clare's **11.30am**

Alan Lyons, Staunton Ave (First Anniversary)
Colette Callinan, Naas, formerly of Pacelli Ave (First Anniversary)
Patsy Comerford, Graiguecullen and Carlow (First Anniversary)
Michael P Lynch, Ballickmoyler
Ray Swan and his wife Elsie, Newbridge
Eileen Dowling, 11 St Clare's Road (Birthday Remembrance)
Katie Cullen, Manchester (15th Anniversary)
George Haughney, Sleaty st, his wife Hannah and deceased family members
Catherine and James Kelly, Hollywood Co Wicklow & daughter Mary
Peggy Byrne, Duggan Ave, son JJ and deceased family members

Friday 25th Eileen Stammers, Cheshire and St Fiacc's Tce.

SATURDAY 26th

6.30pm Elizabeth (Betty) Clarke, St Clare's Road (First Anniversary)
Kitty Grant, 33 St Fiacc's Tce and her sister Dolly Lacey, The Numbers
Paddy and Molly Alysburry, 103 Church Street
Sean (Spud) Murphy, Little Barrack St & Hertfordshire (Birthday Remembrance)

SUNDAY 27th

9am Ellen O'Reilly, Maher Road
William (Will) Kelly, 5 Radharc Oisín and The Rushes, Ballickmoyler

Holy Cross

10.15am Elaine Buggy, Tolerton (First Anniversary)

St. Clare's **11.30am**

Kitty Courtney, Oakley Park
Dympna McKenna, 186 Colclough Ave
Patrick & Nellie Murphy, Knockbeg
Jim Power, Michael & Mary Horohan, Coolenaugh



R.I.P

Bridge (Babby) Grant,
35 Fr Byrne Park and formerly of St. Fiacc's Terrace

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS 12th / 13th October

Red Bag €865 Tap Donations €72

Blue Bag €1727 Donation €80

Direct Debit Donation €200

Thank You

PARISH BINGO

Tuesday 15th Oct in St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm

Jackpot on 50 numbers €3,690

Double number €2,700

Lotto €950



KILLESHIN N.S CALENDAR 2024/25

Now available from the school office and Killeshin Stores. The cost is €10. The calendar includes all class photos and pictures of the various activities during the past school year.

CUPPA FOR REHAB

Rehab Care Carlow are hosting sweet treats and a cuppa coffee morning at their premises on Wed 23rd Oct from 11am. All are welcome.



WATER AEROBICS



Graiguecullen Swimming Pool
Mondays at 8.15pm. Wednesdays 8pm.
Only €8. No pre-booking required.

CARLOW LIVING WELL EXPO: EMPOWERING OLDER ADULTS IN COUNTY CARLOW

The purpose of the event is to showcase the supports and services available for individuals aged 55 and over in Carlow.

Admission: Free

Tues 22nd October

Woodford Dolmen Hotel

10.30am – 2.00pm: Speakers and Info stands
2.00pm – 4.00pm: Tea, Dance

Attendees can also take advantage of free health checks and visit stands dedicated to a wide range of topics, including: tips for reducing energy costs, information on housing grants, community engagement initiatives, recreational activities tailored for older adults and much more!

MEN'S ROSARY FOR PEACE

A special invitation to all men to join the Men's Rosary of Reparation to Pray for Peace in the World. Liberty Tree Carlow (Opposite McDonald's) Sat 2nd November at 1.30 pm and every Saturday in unison with 24 venues throughout Ireland and the World.
Enquiries 086 37426414



KILDARE & LEIGHLIN DIOCESAN PASTORAL MINISTER TRAINING PROGRAMME

This Lay Pastoral Ministers (Diploma in Pastoral Ministry, Level 7) programme aims to nurture and develop the talents of lay leaders.

Information evenings with tea and coffee available from 7.15pm

Thursday 7th, November: Dolmen Hotel, Carlow 7.30pm

Wednesday 13th November: Parish Centre, Leighlinbridge 7.30pm

For further information, contact Patrick Roche on 083 8305681 or parisgdevelopment@kandle.ie

COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT SCHEME

VACANCIES:

Mayo Parish Ref no. CES-2316582
Killeshin Soccer Ref no. CES-2361197
Crettyard Soccer Ref no. CES-2361194
Killeshin GAA Ref no. CES-2314004
Oisín Park Ref no. CES-2327470
Apply Jobsireland.ie or 056 4442711 or email mdceproject@gmail.com



MONTHLY MASS FOR PEACE IN CARLOW CATHEDRAL

Thursday 24th October
at 7pm.
Rosary and Divine Mercy followed by Mass and Benediction.
Celebrant Fr. Yanbo Chen SVD
All are welcome.



BARROW VALLEY ARTISTS

The Barrow Valley Art Group are hosting an art exhibition in Carlow College, St Patrick's on 25th Oct until 1st Nov. Tickets for the official opening are €5 on Fri 25th Oct at 8pm.
All in aid of County Carlow Hospice.
Info: 0876121666