

Clonmore Parish Lotto: Last week's numbers: 20; 1, 8, 6.

Winner: Veronica Winders c/o Bingo.

Next Week's Jackpot: €500; Jackpot plus Bonus number: €1,500.

€40 prize winners – Sadie Byrne, Aghowle; Martin Kearns, Ballynulta; Oisin Lyons, Wexford; James Bowes Killinure; Patrick.... Coolkenno

Coolkenno GAA Lotto: Last week's numbers: 1, 8, 11, 19. Winner: No Winner
This week's jackpot €5,500. Next Draw: 19th. August: Byrnes Clonmore
Lucky Dip Winners: Pat & Nancy Hughes; Don Jackman; Frances Coleman; Debbie Cushe

Thought for The Week

Prayer at the Ploughing 2019

At a recent launch of Prayer at the Ploughing challenge, I remarked on the most recent census where over 85% of respondents said they had a religious affiliation. In the seven weeks leading up to the Ploughing Championships, I am asking people all around the diocese to choose the prayer they like most, such as the Rosary or the Lord's Prayer. Perhaps a prayer learnt at their mother's knee or handed down ó ghlúin go glúin in their family. The Ploughing Championships takes place in the middle of the annual Season of Creation, which the Church marks from 1 September - 4 October. Because the 3-day ploughing championship focuses on rural living, I am also inviting people to submit a personal prayer (no more than 100 words) about the environment which they compose themselves. This new environmentally centred prayer could relate to farming, gardening or sustainability. People can submit their preferences and entries to prayerattheploughing@kandle.ie between now and 10 September. Alternatively they are welcome to post them to me at Bishop's House. A shortlist of the favourite prayers will be displayed at the Kildare & Leighlin stand when the event gets underway on 17 September. The theme of the Kildare & Leighlin stand at the ploughing is '**Digging Deeper - Rooting for Christ**' a continuation of our diocesan campaign exploring new ways for people to understand their faith.

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Have a Wonderful Week

PARISH NEWSLETTER



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.
18th. August 2019

PARISH CENTRE

Opening hours from 9.30 am to 1.30 pm.

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Three against two and two against three

Sadly, many people are no strangers to family feuds. In past generations, things like land and inheritance were major causes of family disagreements, causing parents to fall out with sons or daughters, or siblings to stop speaking for years. We may have heard other stories from our own families - secrets that were not talked about, relatives who were shunned for 'shaming' the family. These attitudes are dying away, and that is good. We are less concerned with keeping up appearances, and more focused on ensuring children feel loved and supported. Yet, there will always be conflicts in family life. Differences of opinion can arise over beliefs or choices, sometimes causing immense hurt on both sides. Often these disagreements are between generations. Parents who have raised their children in the faith can feel hurt when a son or daughter drifts away, or decides not to pass on the faith to their own children. Grandparents often carry this burden too. Some conflict is unavoidable as we navigate these situations, but we have a choice - do we allow anger and hurt to shape our interactions with loved ones, or do we listen with respect and try to understand and find common ground? Perhaps these inevitable conflicts are what Jesus refers to in today's Gospel - father divided against son, mother against daughter. It's a surprising statement given his usual focus on peace. But then, following Jesus is not a smooth path. Peace can be hard-won, particularly in families where there are so many different personalities and opinions. Let us pray for wisdom and patience to navigate the tougher times.

Happiness is not a station you arrive at, but a manner of travelling. Margaret B. Rumbeck.

Collections: Envelopes €421; Baskets €486
 Envelopes returned: 93. Envelope Winner: James Keegan
 Bingo: €750; Lotto: €440. Bingo Jackpot: €1350
 Lotto Winner: Veronica Winders €1,000

Anniversaries

THIS WEEK

NEXT WEEK

Ballyconnell 17th. August Christy Nolan, Rath Cross	Ballyconnell 24th. August
Clonmore 18th. August	Kilquiggan 25th. August John Wilson, Ballynulta' Month's Mind.

COLLECTORS FOR AUGUST

<u>Ballyconnell</u> Dominic Nolan M. J. Doyle	<u>Kilquiggan</u> Seamus Dempsey Cyril Clare	<u>Clonmore</u> Eddie McDonald Milo Gahan
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ALTAR SOCIETY

Ballyconnell: Angela Doyle	Kilquiggan: Sheila Redmond
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National Dawn Walk for Cancer
 Saturday 24th August 2019, starts at 5.45am in the Presentation De La Salle College, Bagenalstown, Co Carlow. Registration online www.nationaldawnwalk.com Support of this event is greatly appreciated.

RATHOE COMMUNITY CHILDCARE

Free ECCE Preschool places available for September 2019. Contact Barbara/Paula on 059-9148879 also check out our Facebook page. Rathoe Community Childcare are also recruiting for a part time Cook during term time. This is a Community Employment position, if you are eligible for a CE scheme and interested then please contact Eileen Miley in Carlow Early Years Training Scheme on 087-1952980

ATTENTION LADIES

ST. CATHERINE'S COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTRE UPCOMING COURSES AUTUMN 2019

The Carlow Catalyst Programme for Women, is offering free training to women interested in taking part in the following Hobby Courses. Personal Development, Make Up and Nail Care, Interior Design, Introduction to Microsoft Excel (Evening) Introduction to Microsoft Word (Evening) Holistic Health and Healthy Food Made Easy. Classes are 2 hours in duration over a 6-week period. Starting in September 2019, classes will be delivered in venues in Carlow town. These courses are available at no cost to women of working age, who are not currently working, not in receipt of a job seekers payment & who have a long term interested in work or education. To check eligibility or to find out more please contact: Orlaith or Sinead St. Catherine's Community Services, St. Joseph's Road, Carlow. (some social welfare payments may apply). 059 9138700; 0868678411; orlaithm@catherines.ie

Clonmore Cancer Medical Trust: Annual Crab Walk, Sunday 25th. August at 2pm.
 Cards available for collection in Crab Lane

Accommodation required for the National Ploughing Championships: 17th. - 19th. September 2019

If you have a house or B&B accommodation available to rent at reasonable rates please register your interest on: carlowtourism.com/submityourproperty. Alternatively contact Carlow Tourism on 059-9130411 or info@carlowtourism.com for further details.

BABY LOSS REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Will be held in Tynock Church on Thursday 5th September at 7.00 p.m. Bishop Denis Nulty will attend. If anyone would like to have a patch Included on our remembrance quilt You can leave it in Tynock or Talbotstown Church or drop it into Fr. Pat's house. If you need a piece of material for a patch or require further information contact Mary at 0862261264.

