

**Clonmore Parish Lotto:** Last week's numbers: 20, 7, 11, 19

Winner: €800 - Celia Byrne c/o Bingo

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

€40 prize winners - Jim Byrne Gould; Denise Walsh C/O Bingo; Raz Murphy C/O Bingo; Gerry Dowse, Tullow; O' Halloran Family, Ardoyne

**Coolkenno GAA Lotto:** Last week's numbers: 10, 22, 25, 27. Winner: No Winner

This week's jackpot €5,900. Next Draw: 16<sup>th</sup>. September: Dying Cow

Lucky Dip Winners: James Wilson (Jnr.); Don Jackman; Mary Nolan Killinure; Cathy Coleman, Hacketstown.

### *Thought for The Week*

## Season of Creation 2019 Prayer

**Protect  
God's  
Creation**



Creator of life, the earth is full of Your creatures, and by Your wisdom you made them all. At Your word, the Earth brought forth plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit, the waters teemed with swarms of living creatures of every kind, and the word was filled with every kind of winged bird, walking animal,

and creatures that creep upon the ground. Mountains, plains, rocks and rivers shelter diverse communities, and through the changing seasons Your Spirit renews cycles of life. During this Season of Creation, open our eyes to see the precious diversity that is all around us. Enlighten our minds to appreciate the delicate balance maintained by each creature. Inspire us to conserve the precious habitats that nurture this web of life. In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Have a Wonderful Week*

## PARISH NEWSLETTER



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

15<sup>th</sup>. September 2019

### PARISH CENTRE

Opening hours from 9.30 am to 1.30 pm.

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### Called to 'come to our senses'

The three parables of things lost and found emphasise the unending forgiveness of God, and God's rejoicing for those who return. In each of the situations there is a frantic search for that which is lost and a huge celebration when the lost is found. In the parable of the Lost Son there is much to reflect on. We hear that the younger brother eventually 'came to his senses.' We might pray today that God show us the aspects of our lives in which we also need to come to our senses. In this Season of Creation, we lament the destruction of God's creation, we reflect on the loss of biodiversity and the loss of human life caused by climate change. We pray that as a global community we might, like the lost son, 'come to our senses' and take the actions that are necessary to change course. It all seems so huge and perhaps we feel there is nothing significant we can do. That is not the case. As parishes, we can lead by example and show our commitment to care for the earth. The future of our environment depends on the action we take now as a society. As with all significant change, it begins with the grassroots. 'I wish to address every person living on this planet...to enter into dialogue with all people about our common home...The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all.' (Laudato Si' 3,23) Suggestion for the week: Can you encourage your family to make small changes in the home, such as ensuring all waste is correctly recycled, composting, encouraging one another to use public transport or walk/cycle when possible? We start with ourselves.

*Never look down on someone unless your helping them up.*

**Collections:** Envelopes €399; Baskets €387

Envelopes returned 82 Envelope Winner: Mary O'Toole

Bingo: €725; Lotto: €415. Bingo Jackpot: €1450

## Anniversaries

### THIS WEEK

### NEXT WEEK

<b>Ballyconnell 14<sup>th</sup>. September</b> Liam Kelly, Kilquiggan	<b>Ballyconnell 21<sup>st</sup>. September</b>
<b>Clonmore 15<sup>th</sup>. September</b> Bridget Curran (+6-1-2019) Haroldstown/Hacketstown; Siobhan Farrell, Haroldstown	<b>Kilquiggan 22<sup>nd</sup>. September</b> Aiden Kearns, Ballynultagh.

### COLLECTORS FOR SEPTEMBER

<b>Ballyconnell</b> Seamus Osborne Liam Henderiken	<b>Kilquiggan</b> Pat Murphy Ned Bowes	<b>Clonmore</b> Paddy Lawlor Liam Hickey
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### ALTAR SOCIETY

<b>Ballyconnell:</b> Mary Doyle	<b>Kilquiggan:</b> Marie Blake
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### MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 9.30. Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 9.30,  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 7.30.

"Would you like to meet new people? Do you enjoy playing board games, eg. scrabble, monopoly, chess etc.? Join us this coming Friday, 6th September, for an evening of friendship and fun as "Fun Friday" continues. Please come along to the Community House (opposite the Town Hall) in The Haymarket in Carlow Town Centre, this Friday night or on the first Friday of any month, [from 8pm to 10pm](#). This is a free event and is open to all adults. For more information contact Sinead on [\(087\) 2264202](tel:0872264202)."

## Seniors Alert Scheme

New Alarms are now available, contact community alert. No charge for alarm for 12 months, installation is free. Unit can be installed with or without a landline. Contact any of the following: 087-6540939; 087-2740152; 085-7796429; 087-9041277; 087-1159579; 087-2377291.



## Diocesan Stand

**399, Block 3, Row 18**

from September 17-19.

Bishop Denis and the diocesan team are looking forward to welcoming people into the diocesan stand throughout the ploughing. Come in for a cuppa, a chat, some blessed salt and more. Prayer at noon each day. People are invited to submit their

favourite prayer or to compose a new prayer for the environment (max 100 words) by September 10, to [prayerattheploughing@kandle.ie](mailto:prayerattheploughing@kandle.ie)

## Digging Deeper Rooting for Christ

## Safeguarding Sunday - Sunday, September 29

Bishop Denis is asking parishes to mark the first annual Safeguarding Sunday in our diocese. Parishes and their Parish Pastoral Councils and Liturgy groups will find the following resources available for use for the Sunday Mass:

- Introductory Prayer
- Prayer of the Faithful
- Bishop's Message to be read at Masses
- Diocesan Safeguarding Newsletter

## DIOCESAN PRAYER OF HEALING FOR VICTIMS OF ABUSE

Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts, heal your people's wounds and transform brokenness into wholeness. Give us, as a diocese, courage and wisdom, humility and grace to always act with justice. Breathe wisdom into our prayers and efforts. Grant that all who have been harmed by abuse may be healed. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. St Brigid, pray for us. St Conleth, pray for us. St Laserian, pray for us.