



## OUTDOOR BINGO

Following on from the success of our outdoor bingo on 2<sup>nd</sup>. August, we have programmed another outdoor bingo. It will take place on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup>. October at 2. pm in the carpark behind the church in Ballyconnell. Please spread the word.

### *Thought for the week*

#### Keeping Sunday Holy in a Time of Pandemic!

Our Sundays have certainly been a different experience in these past months! As Catholics, Sunday and particularly Sunday Mass is the highpoint of our week as a faith community. Yet we have had to endure the loss of this Sunday gathering and the nourishment of the Eucharist. Thankfully, while still a very different and limited experience, as this Update goes to print public Masses can take place in our diocese. We must continue to follow health and government advice and support all those priests, staff and volunteers in our local parishes who are doing their utmost to help provide the best Sunday and weekday experience possible. Everyone has a part to play in following guidelines and keeping one another safe in the church environment. For many this may mean continuing to stay at home and, where possible, joining in the celebration via webcam or a livestream. In the midst of a very fluid situation one thing holds firm. Sunday is the day of the Lord. It is the day when we remember and celebrate the resurrection of Jesus - the fundamental event of our Christian faith. Because of this, as followers of Jesus, it is a day we are called to keep holy. The most obvious and primary way we keep Sunday holy is through our attendance at Mass. But our keeping of Sunday is not limited to or exhausted by Mass. And, at a time when we are still dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass and may not be able to attend, this might be a very useful thing to remember.

*Have a Wonderful Week*

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

27<sup>th</sup>. Sunday in Ordinary Time. 4<sup>th</sup> October



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### Some Ways to Keep Sunday Holy

- Attend Mass when you can. If you can't, join via webcam / livestream
- If you can't do this, read and reflect on the Sunday readings alone or as a family.
- Make a spiritual communion.
- Make time for rest and relaxation +
- Avoid chores that can wait for Monday!
- Check in on those around you, especially the sick /elderly.
- Visit with family and friends - in person or via a phone call as appropriate.
- Enjoy the beauty of God's creation. Go for a walk or a Sunday drive.
- Share family activities - dress your table and share a Sunday meal together, crafts, baking, board games, gardening.
- Pray a family rosary.
- Visit a church to pray privately.
- Create a family/personal Sunday tradition

## CHRISTIAN ONE-LINERS

"I will not let anyone walk through my mind with dirty feet". Gandhi

## Anniversaries - with love we remember

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup>. October: Ballyconnell: Bridget & Patrick Tierney  
Ballyconnell & Christine Canavan (Manchester)



### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>. Mass in Killinure 7.30.  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup>. Mass in Ballyconnell at 9.30;  
Friday 9<sup>th</sup>. Mass in Killinure at 7.30 pm.

Holy Hour with music, prayers and scripture reflections in our Lady of the Wayside Church, Clonmore, on Wednesday evening at 7.30 - 8.30 pm. All are welcome.

## Collections

26<sup>th</sup>. /27<sup>th</sup>. September: Envelopes €635; Baskets €220

## PARISH LOTTO



A Sincere thank you to all the people who signed up for our Parish Lotto. Our Lotto will take place every Wednesday. Those people who had signed up pre-Covid 19 are still owed some weeks and their numbers will be entered into the Lotto every Wednesday. If you need to check to see how long you have paid up until you can

contact the Parish Office. There are still some forms available for people who wish to sign up as we did not have enough last weekend.

The Jackpot at the moment is €20,000. Every week there is also a prize of €1,000 divided between those who have 3 numbers. Our plan would be to have as many people sign up for yearly, half-yearly or quarterly or other periods. The promotor or seller of the tickets will also receive 10%

Carlow Mental Health Association is delighted that this year's Mensana Fest (Carlow's Mental Health Festival) is going ahead from 9<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> October. There are lots of talks, walks, mindfulness sessions, webinars and so much more. For our full timetable please check out our Facebook Page or contact us on [carlowmentalhealth@hotmail.com](mailto:carlowmentalhealth@hotmail.com) or 0858181353. We have limited places at events but most events will be livestreamed on our Facebook Page so you can watch from the comfort of your own home.

Evening classes at Colaiste Eoin Hacketstown are now enrolling for Mid October starting Monday evenings, 7-9:30pm.  
Modules available in QQI Levels 5 and 6 Childcare and Level 5 Healthcare.  
Contact Mairead (059)6471198 (087)4144395

## COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

## Celebrating the Permanent Diaconate

This Sunday we celebrate the ordination of Vincent Crowley to the Permanent Diaconate. You are very welcome to join in this celebration via Tullow parish webcam, available on <https://tullowparish.com/> at 3pm. Vincent is a native of Kilkenny but left the county when he was still in his teens to work in the bank in Tullow. His work brought him from Tullow to Naas, then Rathdowney and finally to Athy. He and his wife, Cecilia have three grown up children; Ruth, Jackie & Michael. Vincent has a keen interest in music and has played in various bands, music groups and societies over the years as well as playing in Church. Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate is a wonderful occasion for these men, their wives, families and friends. I ask our wider diocesan family to join with me in wishing Vincent the very best in his ordination and every blessing to those already ordained to the Permanent Diaconate ministering in our Diocese and also to Liam Dunne and Eugene Keyes in the coming weeks.

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