

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 to the outbreak of Covid-19. Professional staff are available reassurance where necessary. The support line is one seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024

Coolkenno GAA Lotto: Last week's numbers: 2, 17, 21, 25

Winner: No Winner. This week's jackpot €12,700.

Next Draw: 12th. July In Club house

Lucky Dip Winners: John Sommers; Wendy James; Siobhan Byrne,
Mick Nolan.

Thought for the week

SEEING YOUR LIFE IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL

1. Jesus gave the disciples a share in his mission by sending them out ahead of him. It was a gesture of trust and confidence on his part, even though they did not fully understand his mission. Have you ever been surprised by the trust shown in you by others to speak or act on their behalf?
2. Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. Perhaps your experience gives you examples of the value of having another with you when engaged in an important task.
3. The apparently strange instructions given by Jesus were intended to counteract practices by bogus preachers who used preaching as a mask for money-making. True disciples of Jesus focus on the mission and not on their own comforts. Is it your experience that vested interests can impede a task, whereas having the right motives makes your mission more effective?
4. The task of the disciples was to call people to repent, (metanoia = conversion, change the way we look at God and at other people). Who have been the disciples, the people in your life who have called you to be more trusting in God? To whom have you given this call?

Have a Wonderful Week

PARISH NEWSLETTER

11th. July - 15th. Sunday in Ordinary Time



PARISH CENTRE

The Parish Centre will be open Tuesdays and Fridays
from 9.30- 1.30

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Website: www.clonmoreparish.ie

The first mission

Two phrases come to mind as I read about the disciples heading off on their first mission: 'baptism of fire' and 'to be thrown in at the deep end'. We use these expressions to describe a difficult introduction to a new job or activity, when we are expected to learn as we go and cope with whatever obstacles we face. In today's Gospel, Jesus sends the Twelve out on their first mission. It is a challenging one and his instructions are brief and very specific: they are to bring nothing but a staff - no food or money - meaning they will have to rely on the hospitality of others for all their needs. They are to stay wherever they are welcomed, rather than move around from house to house, so they can't be choosy about their lodgings. Simplicity is key - no baggage, no luxuries, no distractions, nothing but the task of reaching to people. It might not be plain sailing, but Jesus offers advice for those difficult times too. It appears their mission of preaching and healing was successful, as we are told the disciples came back eager to fill Jesus in. Imagine the experiences they must have had during this time - the people they met and helped, the generosity of those who welcomed them, the conversations on the road, the chance to share their excitement at everything Jesus was doing. They were certainly thrown into a challenging situation, but they returned with a fresh perspective and strengthened faith. Jesus calls us to step out into the unknown, his words as our guide and his bond with us unbreakable.

'A boat is safe in the harbour, but this is not the purpose of a boat.'
(Paulo Coelho)

Christian Motivational Phrases

"God has a purpose behind every problem. He uses circumstances to develop our character. In fact, he depends more on circumstances to make us like Jesus than he depends on our reading the Bible." - Rick Warren

Anniversaries - with love we remember



Sunday 11th. July: Clonmore 10.30

John & Mary Gegan, Knockatomcoyle

Michael Kelly, Blackhill

James Coughlin

Saturday 17. Kilquiggan 6.30

Gerry & Kitty Frayne Cronalea.

Saturday 17th. July: Ballyconnell 7.30

James & Breda Osborne,

William Byrne Castledermot.

Sunday 18th. July: Clonmore 10.30

Thomas & Margaret Pollard, Redbog

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Results for

Wednesday 7th. July 2021 Numbers: 2, 7, 11, 25

One Winner. Next week's Jackpot €10,000

25 Match 3s win €40 each.

A wonderful way of supporting our Parish financially, and also be in with a chance of winning €20,000, is through the Lotto. If you would like to renew your lotto subscription (those are due for renewal) and if anyone wishes to join our lotto, you can get forms in the Parish Centre; or in the back of the churches. If you wish to know when you are due for renewal you can contact the Parish Office or contact Fr. John

VACANCY: Manager required in St. John's caring centre (for older people), Hacketstown, Co. Carlow. 19.5 hours (3 days) per week.

Please send CV to: The Chairman, St. John's Caring Centre, Main Street, Hacketstown, Co. Carlow. Email: stjohnscaringcentre@gmail.com

Wicklow based artist Andrea Kelly is looking for stories, memories or anything else you wish to share about Rathgall Hillfort (The Ring of the Rath) and surrounding areas. Contact her at

info@andreakelly.ie or at <https://www.facebook.com/wicklowtheatre>

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 13th. July Ballyconnell 9.30; Wednesday 14th. Mass in Ballyconnell at 9.30. Friday 16th. July. Mass in Ballyconnell at 7.30.



GREAT NEWS: For all our bingo aficionados' enthusiasts, we are happy to let you know that we will continue our Bingo in the Car Park at the back of the Church in Ballyconnell every Sunday evening at 7.30. Please spread the word.

Tour to Sligo

August 15th. - August 18th., staying in Clayton Hotel.

Further information: Duffy's Coach Hire: 087-2543235, 059 6471681

Are you being called to the Permanent Diaconate?

Permanent Deacons are ministers of the Word, the altar and service.

Bishop Denis is inviting expressions of interest in learning more about formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. The Permanent Diaconate is open to men aged between 30 and 60 who have a genuine sense of vocation to this calling. Deacons are self-supporting and continue in their family lives and secular employment.

A new programme of discernment and formation for the Permanent Diaconate in the Diocese will commence in September 2021.

For further information please contact Rev. John McEvoy before Saturday July 31st.

Tel: 059 9161114 Email: permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie

'You did not choose me but I chose you' - John 15:16