

## 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, 23, 29, 31

Winner: No Winner. This week's jackpot €1,100.

Next Draw: 16<sup>th</sup>. August In Dying Cow

Lucky Dip Winners: Trish Murphy; Sean Byrne; Mary Mernagh;  
Joe Doyle

*Thought for the week*

### SEEING YOUR LIFE IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL

1. The story of the Visitation is a story of two pregnant women reaching out to one another. For those of you who are mothers, perhaps you have been in that situation. What blessings do you recall in such encounters?
2. The story and the song of Mary are both celebrating the work of God in her life. When have you been particularly grateful for what was happening in your life? How did you express and celebrate your thanks?
3. Mary is praised for believing that God's promise to her would be fulfilled. How has your trust in God's promise to be with you helped you in your life?
4. Read the Magnificat a few times slowly and let your attention stay with whatever words or phrase you are drawn to. Place yourself in the position of the one saying the prayer. Let it be your prayer of thanksgiving for your own life

*Have a Wonderful Week*

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

15<sup>th</sup>. August The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



### PARISH CENTRE

The Parish Centre will be open Tuesdays and Fridays from 9.30- 1.30: Tel. 059-9156890

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Website: [www.clonmoreparish.ie](http://www.clonmoreparish.ie)

## The slow work of God

'Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give Our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you, and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete.' (Pierre Teilhard de Chardin) These beautiful words from French philosopher Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ speak to the sometimes-tortuous experience of waiting. In it the author gives us permission to not have all the answers, to allow our faith time to grow and develop. Above all, he invites us to do that most difficult of things: live in the present moment, and surrender ourselves to God in that moment. This poem comes to mind as I think about today's celebration of the Feast of the Assumption, when we recall Mary's role in the life of Jesus and in salvation. In our Gospel extract we meet Mary, pregnant and celebrating with her relative Elizabeth. Given the circumstances, it would be understandable if she was unsure and fearful. Her future is uncertain, as is that of her soon-to-be-born son. She cannot yet comprehend the enormity of what is to come. But Mary seems content to wait. When Elizabeth proclaims Mary as 'blessed', Mary bursts into prayer, praising God for his greatness and for 'looking upon his lowly handmaid'. In modern terms, it is a lesson in mindfulness. When we find ourselves impatient, struggling to comprehend or to trust God's ways, let us turn to Mary who accepted God's plan with trust and hope, allowing it all to unfold one step at a time.

## Christian Motivational Phrases

"Worry does not empty tomorrow of its sorrows; it empties today of its strength." - Corrie Ton Boom

## Anniversaries - with love we remember



Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>. August: Kilquiggan 6.30

Sean Tallon, Seskin; his parents and brother.  
Patrick & Mary Rooney; Stasia Nolan from Rath Hill

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>. August: Ballyconnell 7.30

Annie Waterton, Killinure

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>. August: Kilquiggan 6.30

Christy Nolan; Rath.

## MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>. August: Mass at 9.30; Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>. Mass at 9.30

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>. August. Mass in Ballyconnell at 7.30.

Collections: Envelopes: €748 Baskets: €249

Envelopes returned: 71; Bingo: Bingo: €. Lotto: €

### Clonmore Parish Cancer Society

Annual Crab Lane walk will take place on Friday 27<sup>th</sup>. - Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>. August to allow for social distancing. Your support will be greatly appreciated. Sponsorship cards are available or you can come and walk on the day and drop a donation into the box. A draw will take place as soon as the cards have all been returned.

Affordable Live-in Homecare provides live in carers for the elderly in your area. If you are looking for a live-in carer for your relative, please call Eileen or Tom today on 087 991 6791 or 087 744 0729. Our website is [www.alhomecare.ie](http://www.alhomecare.ie)

## 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](mailto:permanentdiaconate@kandle.ie)

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



**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 7.00. Please spread the word.

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

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>. August 2021 Numbers: 3; 7; 27; 32

No Winner. Next week's Jackpot €15,000

12 Match 3s win €84 each (one local winner)

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