

Coolkenno GAA Lotto: Last week's numbers: 1, 4, 19, 13

Winner: No Winner. This week's jackpot €1,900.

Next Draw: 11th. October in Dying Cow

Lucky Dip Winners: Barry Doyle, Brian -Breda Walker; Noreen Hughes; Bernie Doyle

2 Nights Pilgrimage to Knock on the 27-10-2021. Further details from Duffy's Coach Hire: 087-2543235, or 059-6471681

Thought for the week

SEEING YOUR LIFE IN THE LIGHT OF THE GOSPEL

1. We often get satisfaction from the things we own, clothes, cars, homes, gadgets, or money. There would be something unnatural if we did not. But what happens to us when our possessions begin to 'own' us, when they take a hold on us, when we become obsessed with them.? Jesus seeks followers who have the freedom to let go of possessions in order to be a servant of others. In wgho0m have you seen this freedom? When have you experienced it yourself?
2. Growth implies change. That change sometime means letting go of something we have at this moment: Job, status; home: security, or something else we value. There can be an apparent loss in letting go. Yet have you ever found that you gained by having the freedom to let go of something to which you had previously clung?
3. The disciples thought that Jesus was making impossible demands of people following him. He acknowledged that discipleship was impossible to us on our own efforts alone. How have you experienced the benefits of the help of others and of God when you were faced with difficulties in life?

Have a Wonderful Week

PARISH NEWSLETTER

10th. October - 28th. Sunday in Ordinary Time



PARISH CENTRE

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

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POINTS TO PONDER

Voluntary poverty is radical, and it always has been. Throughout church history there have been people who have taken up this call to give away all their worldly possessions. In early and medieval times there was Anthony of Egypt who sold his family's property after hearing this story, and Saints Francis and Clare of Assisi who were born wealthy and chosen radical poverty, and closer to our own time, St. Teresa of Calcutta, known as Mother Teresa, and of today officially canonised St. Oscar Romero who very publicly advocated for the poor in El Salvador and was martyred by a sniper while saying mass in 1980, as well as many more who have not received as much recognition. Choosing poverty and to advocate for people who have little money and power, is so against human inclination that we look at it with astonishment, just as the rich man and the disciples reacted with shock to Jesus' instructions. Of all the things people do because of their faith, this is one of the rarest. Being a Christian absolutely calls us to reckon with our money and our stuff, and to take seriously what our material situation reflects and impacts about our values, relationships and trust in God.

Christian Motivational Phrases

If you're too busy to pray you are too busy

Anniversaries - with love we remember



Ballyconnell 9th. October: 7.30:

Patrick Tallon, Ballyconnell and
James Tallon, Ballyshane
Bridget Tierney, Ballyconnell and her daughter
Christina Canavan

Kilquiggan 17th. October: 9.00

Esther & James Keogh; Charles Keogh and Elizabeth
and their sons James, John & Michael Clonskeagh,
Clonmore

MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 12th. Mass at 9.30; Wednesday 13th. Mass at 9.30
Friday 15th. October Mass at 7.30

The rosary will be recited at the grotto in Clonmore Graveyard every Thursday in October at 7pm. It is a great way to come and pray together for our own intentions and the intentions of Our Blessed Mother for the world. Everyone welcome.

Collections: Envelopes: €420 Baskets: €300

Envelopes returned:73 - Bingo: €185. Lotto: €30

Ballyconnell Bingo: Ballyconnell Bingo: Drive-In Bingo in Ballyconnell on Sunday 10th. October at 7.00 pm. Ballyconnell Bingo has always been a very important event in our community and it has always been well supported and well organised. We have to make an enormous effort to keep this activity going for the many people who benefit from it in our community and Parish. Due to adverse weather conditions, we are hoping soon to return to the hall for our bingo. To do this we will need a lot more help to keep this activity going. On Monday 18th. at 7.30 we will have a meeting for those who wish to help out with our bingo. We are very grateful to all those who from the very beginning have given voluntarily of their time and energy to our bingo.

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Results for Wednesday 6th. October 2021 Numbers: 2, 21,24, 27. No Winner. Next week's Jackpot €12,000 13Match 3s win €77 each.

A wonderful way of supporting our Parish financially, and also be in with a chance of winning €18,000, 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

HAY AND OATS COLLECTION

(Annual collection for Priest of the Parish)

We have come to that time of year again for our Hay and Oats collection. Thankfully, as a country, we are in a much better place than we were this time last year. First of all, I would like to thank you sincerely for your continued and generous support of our parish during this health emergency. We have all done very well in heeding advice and working diligently to ensure the safety of all parishioners and all attending our churches. Together we are weathering the storm. As you may know we have two accounts in our Parish:

1. Parish account; 2. Clergy Account.

Thanks to your continued support during this health emergency our Parish account is in relatively good standing. Our Clergy account has understandably bottomed out and we have had to borrow money from our Parish account to keep the Clergy account solvent. Last year we were unable to organise our Hay and Oats collection, so this year we are hoping to bolster up our Clergy Account. All the contributions that come in from the Hay and Oats will be lodged into the Clergy Account. Representatives in your area will drop in an envelope into your house over the next week or two. It would be greatly appreciated if you could place your donation into the envelope and drop it back to your representative or, into the Parish office. We would be grateful if you could put your correct address and Eircode on the front of the envelope. Once again, a sincere "Thank You" for your continued support. We also appreciate the hard work of our Parish Representatives who voluntarily give of their time to distribute the envelopes and collect them.

Stay safe everyone.

God bless and thank you. Fr. John O'Brien PP