

Coolkenno GAA Lotto: Last week's numbers: 10, 14, 19, 31

No Winner. This week's jackpot €3,900.

Next Draw: 28th. February in Club House

Lucky Dip Winners: Colm Doyle, Rath East; Danny Butler Ballyconnell, Phyllis & Helen McCarthy; Siobhan Byrne

Holy hour in Clonmore Church every Tuesday evening 7:30-8:30pm. Come away and rest a while with the Lord. All welcome.

Thought for the week



Trocaire Lenten Appeal

This Lent, Trocaire's Appeal highlights the impact that climate change and Covid-19 has on people's lives in Zimbabwe and how your love and generosity can give families a chance to build a better tomorrow.

Have a Wonderful Week

PARISH NEWSLETTER

27th. February - Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Parish Office will be open: Tuesdays and Fridays from 9.30 - 1.30.

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'It is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks.' Today's Gospel is taken from the Sermon on the Plain, where Jesus is warning a 'multitude of people' about the dangers of hypocrisy. We, too, are reminded that we are disciples who must learn from the Teacher, otherwise we will be like the blind leading the blind. This learning and listening is ongoing so that we can be filled again and again with Christ's challenging love. This Gospel call us to remove the logs from our own eyes so that we can see more clearly. It appeals to the reader to stop and check in with ourselves if we are about to make judgements about others. Whatever the situation may be, perhaps a comment about migrants, homelessness or gossip, we are challenged to ask ourselves first: 'How am I going in relation to this?' before we rush to condemn others. Jesus urges us to remove the planks from our own eyes first. The end of this parable speaks to the fruits and treasures which come from people. Trees bear fruit according to what they themselves are. It is almost like saying what you put in is what you get out. If we are feeding ourselves with fake news, intolerance and hatred, then that is what will come out. If we are spending time with the Teacher, where we experience healing, forgiveness, love and with those qualities and they will be evident in our lives. Spending time with today's Gospel, perhaps we can examine how we feed our body, mind and spirit to ensure that we are living in a way that is not hypocritical before the Gospel message of Jesus Christ

Christian Motivational Phrases

The Cross means there is no shipwreck without hope, there is no darkness without dawn, no storm without a haven. St. John Paul II

Anniversaries - with love we remember



Ballyconnell Saturday 26th. 7.30

James, Brigid and Jerry McCarthy, Haroldstown
Sean & Lillian Ryan, Millbank, Shillelagh.

Kilquiggan Sunday 27th. 9.00 AM

Kathleen & Michael Byrne, Aghowle Upr.
Sean & Lillian Ryan, Millbank, Shillelagh

Kilquiggan Sunday 6th. 9.00 AM

Paul O'Toole, Ballyconnell, month's mind,
James & Nora Clare, Ballynultagh.

Clonmore Sunday 6th. 10.30

Marie Nolan, Rath and her sister Sinead Doyle
(Clonmore)

Collections: Weekend: 19/20 February

Envelopes: €388 Baskets: €254. Envelopes returned:60

Bingo: € Lotto: €

Mass Schedule

Tuesday 1st. March Mass at 9.30

Wednesday 2nd. March Ash Wednesday

Mass in Ballyconnell at 9.30; Mass in
Kilquiggan at 10.30; Mass in Clonmore at
7.30 pm. At each one of these masses'
ashes will be blessed and distributed, at
each of these masses.

Friday 4th.: Mass at 7.30 in Ballyconnell.

Friday 4th. First Friday: Fr. John will attend the sick and housebound.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: Sunday 10th. – 17th. April 2022.

Further details form Duffy Coach Hire: 087-2543235; 059-6471681



Ballyconnell Bingo: There will be bingo

Sunday 27th. at 2 pm. Please spread the word;
and thanks for your support.

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Results for
Wednesday 23rd. February 2022 Numbers: 3, 25, 28, 31 - No Winner.
Next week's Jackpot €15,000. 5 Match 3s win €200 each.

A sincere thank you to all who support our Parish Lotto. The
lotto is a very welcome support for our parish finances. For
you personally, it is also an opportunity for you to win some
money. If you are not in you can't win.

Synod News: A Listening Lent, across Kildare and Leighlin

The Kandle online synod survey will go live on www.kandle.ie/synod/ on Ash
Wednesday. If you can't make it to a local in person listening session during
Lent you might like to complete this survey instead, individually or as part of a
group. You might also share it with those you think might not have a chance to
attend in person. The Synod Committee wants to leave no voice out of this
listening - the lived experience of every person matters and counts.

We are learning how to listen well so that we might truly understand each
other, we are learning how to rely on the Spirit more than on ourselves, and we
are especially learning how to dialogue so that everyone's voice is heard.
(Patricia Carroll, Member of Task Group for the Irish Synodal Pathway)

Humility in listening must correspond to courage in speaking: Everyone has the
right to be heard, just as everyone has the right to speak. Synodal dialogue
depends on courage both in speaking and in listening. It is not about engaging
in a debate to convince others. Rather, it is welcoming what others say as a
way by which the Holy Spirit can speak for the good of all (1 Corinthians 12:7).
(From the Handbook for the Universal Synod)