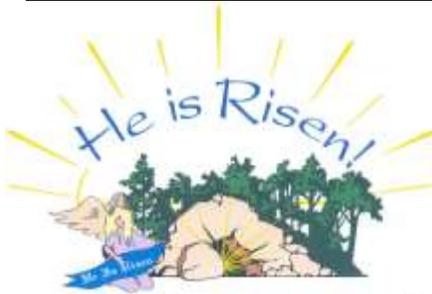


Coolkenno GAA Lotto

Last week's numbers: 6, 24, 26, 31. No Winner. Next week's jackpot €4,600. Next Draw: 18th April in Club House

Lucky Dip Winners: Pat Nancy Hughes; Caroline Murphy; Cal Nolan; Bernie Rooney

Thought for the week



Easter Sunday is the 'feast of feasts', a day of joy and happiness as we celebrate the resurrection of Christ. Light a candle and pause for a few moments to become aware of God's presence. Make the sign of the cross as you pray:

Lord of all life, You are our Hope and our joy, our source of true happiness
We have journeyed to Easter and in the most difficult of trials We have renewed our Baptism And proclaimed your resurrection. We embrace with gladness the new life to which you call each one of us. Bless us, our families and all the world, With your constant presence and protection. May we give you thanks every day and share the good news of our faith with all we meet. And may the light of our Easter faith Guide our footsteps into your ways of love, peace and truth Through Christ Our Lord. Amen. In Easter joy we proclaim, Christ is risen! Alleluia, alleluia!

If you have Holy Water, use it to bless yourself as you make the sign of the cross. Place your candle safely somewhere prominent in your home as a reminder of the light of Christ among us.

Have a Wonderful Week

PARISH NEWSLETTER



17th April: Easter Sunday

The Parish Office will re-open on Tuesday 26th April from 9.30 - 1.30.

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An Easter Message for 2022

Everyone remarks these days on how good it is to be able to gather together. These past two years of restricted and curtailed ceremonies, in this most sacred week of the year, was very challenging. While we continue to emerge out of that more restricted period we are learning, now, what we must do to live alongside this pandemic. The mantra from health authorities has moved, positively, from 'regulation' to our taking on 'personal responsibility'. Earlier this week, our Christ Mass offered us the opportunity to gather in large numbers for the first time in three years. And we have continued to gather in those numbers for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and into the great Easter Vigil and Easter Day. Isn't it great to gather, wonderful to see each other in a faith context again? Today on Easter Sunday we gather at an empty tomb in the realisation that Jesus has risen: "Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he has risen" (Lk.24:5), the two men tell the women as they gather at first light at the empty tomb. He is alive, then and now, and His life brings joy and hope to our Church. During Lent we gathered in different groups, in different fora, as we took part in the Listening Lent on the Universal Synod journey which Pope Francis has invited us. In those gatherings you spoke honestly about your joys, your pains, your hopes for the Church, your Church, our Church. These gatherings remind us of the importance of our listening to one another; as the women listened to the angels, and the disciples listened to

the women. It is also very important to listen to the Risen Lord. Holy Week has offered us very tangible ways to experience our faith: the washing of the feet - our invitation to service, the veneration of the Cross - our invitation to reverence, the Easter Vigil fire - our invitation to be that light for one another. Christ is our Light. His light comes from an empty tomb. A light that penetrates the darkness of war and the prevalence of evil in our world. A light that reminds us, we have nothing to fear. A light, in a world that is broken that offers hope. A light that illuminates a message we need now to hear. As we gather, wherever we gather, may we put before the Risen Lord our joys and hopes, our griefs and anguishes in the knowledge that in Him all things are redeemed, all hope restored, and all life is made new.

Blessings for Easter.

Bishop Denis

ANNIVERSARIES - WITH LOVE WE REMEMBR



Ballyconnell 17th April 9.00 am

Jack Carroll, Ballyconnell and his parents Cis & Peter.

Kilquiggan Sunday 17th. April 10.00 AM.

Deirdre Dolan, Ballynultagh

Clonmore Sunday 17th. 10.30

Months mind Mass Pat Tomkins, Coolkenno
Thomas Dowling, Minvaud

Kilquiggan Sunday 24th. April 9.00 AM

Anthony & Anne Bailey, Coolkenno

Clonmore Sunday 24th. April 19.30 AM

We remember James (Jimmie) Kearns, Quarry Street, Shillelagh, who was buried during the week.

Collections: Weekend: 9/10 April

Envelopes: €471 Baskets: €387. Envelopes returned:75

Bingo: €440 Lotto: €



Ballyconnell Bingo

There will be bingo Sunday 24th. April. Please spread the word; and thanks for your support

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Results for Wednesday 13th April, 2022 Numbers: 8, 10, 23, 30 - No Winner. Next week's Jackpot €11,000. 12 Match 3s win €84 each.

Pilgrimage to Oberammergau: Fr Liam Morgan, PP Naas, Sallins and Two-Mile-House is leading a pilgrimage to see the Passion Play at Oberammergau. Dates of travel are Friday 5th August to Friday 12th August. Price €1890 per person sharing includes return flights, private transfers, walking tours of Kitzbuhel and Salzburg, half board accommodation and tickets to the play. Please contact Tully's Travel for more information by calling 059-9136100

Xavier Society for the Blind

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