PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Results for Wednesday 3rd. May: Numbers: 4, 12, 14, 31 - No Winner -Next week's jackpot €11,000 - 9 Match 3's - €112 each.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK ALZHEIMER'S PATIENT'S PRAYER

Pray for me I was once like you. Be kind and loving to me that's how I would have treated you. Remember I was once someone's parent or spouse I had a life and a dream for the future. Speak to me, I can hear you even if I don't understand what you are saying. Speak to me of things in my past of which I can still relate. Be considerate of me, my days are such a struggle. Think of my feelings because I still have them and can feel pain. Treat me with respect because I would have treated you that way. Think of how I was before I got Alzheimer's; I was full of life, I had a life, laughed and loved you. Think of how I am now, My disease distorts my thinking, my feelings, and my ability to respond, but I still love you even if I can't tell you. Think about my future because I used too. Remember I was full of hope for the future just like you are now. Think how it would be to have things locked in your mind and can't let them out. I need you to understand and not blame me, but Alzheimer's. I still need the compassion and the touching and most of all I still need you to love me. Keep me in your prayers because I am between life and death. The love you give will be a blessing from God and both of us will live forever. How you live and what you do today will always be remembered in the heart of the Alzheimer's Patient.

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HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK





Love one another

'Love one another' is the basic principle of Christianity, to love as Jesus loved. It is simple, yet we can make it so complicated. Jesus' love was controversial for some people, because it was love without exclusion. To love as Jesus loved is to love those it is hard to love. This love ultimately led to Jesus' death. Jesus loved sinners, tax collectors, prostitutes, people of other religions, the poor, the unwanted, the sick, the beggar, the leper. This love is too much for some Christians today also. It is hard to love the sinner or to love family members or friends who have hurt us. Yet this is the love that we are called to. Once we begin to accept that we are infinitely loved by God, it is like a domino effect where that love is poured outwards in our lives. We are part of this outpouring of God's creative love and are called to bring this into places where there is none. In this way we are helping to heal, sustain and nourish this world. Let us hear those words of the Gospel more clearly today: 'Just as I have loved you, you must also love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples.' Let us dream of, and work towards, a world where this is a reality. 'God has given us the power to create beauty, to make another smile, to be a healing presence in someone's sorrow, to bring justice to the oppressed, to console those in difficulty, to bring peace and joy to others, to help those in need, to laugh and enjoy life, to do good and turn from evil, to forgive those who have hurt us, and, most of all, to love.' -

IRIS PEREZ

Christian Motivational Phrases "What you are is God's gift to you, what you become is your gift to God". Hans Urs Von Balthasar.

ANNIVERSARIES - WITH LOVE WE REMEMBER



Saturday 6th. May Ballyconnell 7.30 Josephine Timmins, Killinure Sunday 7th. May Kilquiggan 9.00 am. Owen Dolan, Stratnakelly and all deceased members of the Dolan Family Ballyrahan Sunday 7th. Clonmore 10.30 James Tallon, Ballyshane. Stephen Cole, Ballykilduff

<u>Sunday 14th. Kilquiggan 9.00.</u> Elizabeth Lanigan, late of Dublin, Cronalea

Sunday 14th. Clonmore 10.30 Edward and Margaret Jones, Michael & John Jones and all deceased members of the Jones Family, late of Ballyduff. Thomas Walsh and his parents Ballyduff. John & Katy Byrne, Ballyshane; Denis and Mary Byrne Gould; James and Margaret Byrne Seskin



Mass Schedule

Tuesday 9th. May Mass at 9.30; Wednesday 10th. Mass at 9.30; Friday 12th. Mass in Oratory in Killinure.

Collections: Weekend: April, 29/30

Envelopes: €298 Baskets: €331 - Bingo: €495. Envelopes returned:53 Bingo in Ballyconnell hall on Sunday @ 8 PM. The jackpot this week is €925 if you check on 50 numbers.

Coolkenno GAA Lotto

Last week's numbers: 14, 20, 23, 26. No Winner. Next week's jackpot €10,100. Next Draw: Monday 8th. May, in Club House. Lucky Dip Winner: Andrew Nevin; Linda Wilson; Bernie Rooney; Margaret Byrne

Bishop Denis and the Diocesan Pastoral Council are inviting all priests and some lay people from each of our parishes to gather for an evening of prayer, listening and discernment to help us to discover the next steps on our journey together as Church. Each parish will gather with neighbouring parishes in what we are calling Pastoral Areas. Building relationships with those around us will be vital if we are to move into the future with strength. Our pastoral area meeting will be in Tullow Parish centre on Wednesday 1th May at 8.00 pm

<u>Pentecost Novena</u>: Takes place from 19th -27th of May. This novena will be broadcast daily on Radio Maria and Shalom World Prayer Channel.

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