

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto

Results for Wednesday 31st. May: Numbers: 8, 12, 23, 28 - No Winner -
Next week's jackpot €15,000 - 21 Match 3's - €48 each.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Pentecost: The Church's Birthday.



From locked room to waiting street
They were locked in a room and burdened with fear locked in a room with fear, joined one with the other in continuous prayer. "The Advocate" he told them "Would descend from on high", but why he had to leave them they still wondered why. Below them people gathered with them Mary prayed; it was her desire their fears be allayed. Courage was needed, Reverence and Wisdom as well Right Judgement and Wonder His story to tell. Into that room on that Pentecost Day came a powerful Understanding and it took them away from the locked room upstairs. His people to greet filling with Wonder and Awe all gathered the street.

A Short Prayer: For ev'ry pain we must bear, For ev'ry burden, ev'ry care, There's a reason. For ev'ry grief that bows the head, For ev'ry teardrop that is shed, There's a reason. For ev'ry hurt, for ev'ry plight, For ev'ry lonely, pain-racked night, There's a reason. But if we trust God, as we should, it will turn out for our good. He knows the reason.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK

PARISH NEWSLETTER

4th. June 2023

The Most Holy Trinity

The Parish Office will be open on Tuesdays and
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A mystery to me

'It is a riddle, wrapped in a mystery, inside an enigma.'

This expression, originally used in 1939 by Winston Churchill, is typically used to describe something that is immensely puzzling or too complex to understand. The word 'mystery' is often used in everyday speech. When we can't wrap our heads around something, we shrug and say: 'It's a mystery to me,' or: 'It's another of life's great mysteries.' As a child, I used to wonder about the religious meaning of 'mystery'. I remember someone telling me that if something is a mystery, it can never be fully understood, though that does not mean we should stop trying – like Jesus being fully human and fully divine (the incarnation), Jesus' death and resurrection (the Paschal mystery), and three persons in one God (the Trinity). It is this last mystery that we celebrate today. One of the most poignant attempts to explain the Trinity came from C.S. Lewis, who reasoned that if God is love, then God must contain more than one person: 'God is not a static thing- not even a person – but a dynamic, pulsating activity, a life, almost a kind of drama. Almost, if you will not think me irreverent, a kind of dance.' The idea of the Trinity as a sort of divine dance is a good place to begin reflecting on this great mystery of God as a communion of love. In today's Gospel, we see that Jesus is comfortable with an element of mystery. He does not reveal everything to his disciples at once, as it 'would be too much for you now.' The full truth will be revealed later, when the Spirit comes. The more we reflect, the more we pray, the more we are open to the Spirit, the more we will understand about the great mystery of God as love

Christian Motivational Phrases

Evangelization is telling people about what we love.

ANNIVERSARIES - WITH LOVE WE REMEMBER



Saturday 3rd. June Ballyconnell 7.30

James & Breda Osborne, Liscolman; William Byrne, Castledermot.

Peter Walker, Ballyconnell and all deceased family members.

Sunday 4th. June Clonmore 10.30

John O'Brien, formerly Ballykilduff who died recently in N.J.

Saturday 10th. June. Ballyconnell 7.30.

Patricia Kearns, Shillelagh and Tommy Kearns, Ballynultagh

Sunday 11th. June. Clonmore 10.30

Edward McDonald, Oldtown, Month's Mind.
Eddie Johnston, Knockatomcoyle.

Mass Schedule



Tuesday 6th. Mass at 9.30;

Wednesday 7th. Mass at 9.30;

Friday 9th. June Mass in Clonmore cemetery at 8.00.

Collections: Weekend: May, 27/28

Envelopes: €372 Baskets: €419 - Bingo: €680. Lotto €.

Envelopes returned: 60

Bingo in Ballyconnell hall on Sunday @ 8 PM. The jackpot this week is €1000 if you check on 50 numbers.

"Songs Of Praise": with music by the 4 Hims in Mullinacuffe Church, Sunday 4th. June at 7.00 pm. All are welcome.

Coolkenno GAA Lotto

Last week's numbers: 14, 19, 24, 32 No Winner. Next week's jackpot €10,500. Next Draw: Monday 5th. June in the Dying cow. Lucky Dip Winner: Brian Plunkett, Colm Walker; Waterton Family; Brian Walker

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Continues this Monday 5th June at 7.30pm in St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen, Carlow
GUEST SPEAKER for this Monday is: Dr Nicola Brady - Chair of the Steering Committee of the Irish Synodal Pathway

Letter from Bishop Denis: Friends, Peace be with you all. My name is Jim Deeds, and I am facilitating a process designed to help us all think, talk and pray about the future in Kildare and Leighlin Diocese. Unfortunately, I have taken a fall here in my home in Belfast and have broken my back. This injury will heal in time, but it has taken me off the road. Accordingly, I invite you to an in-person meeting with fellow lay people and clergy in your pastoral area (the group of parishes in your geographical area). I will join you by Zoom and help facilitate our dialogue with members of your Diocesan Pastoral Council being present in the room to facilitate as well. We will begin by hearing from Bishop Denis set out the call for the Diocese to '**Put Out Into Deep Water**'. I will then lead us in prayer with the beautiful text that Bishop Denis has encouraged us to see as the guide text for this new time - Luke 5:1-7. Following on, and flowing out, from that time in prayer I will invite you to begin to explore how we feel about this mission - our hopes, our concern and the prompts of the Holy Spirit. We might set out some principles that we can gather round together to help us make decisions as we 'put out into the deep'. We will finish by considering if there are some action points, we could set ourselves for the coming months. The proposal is that we would meet again in September to further our dialogue and take stock of our progress. I look forward to seeing you there. Jim

Date for Our Pastoral area meeting. The meeting will be from 7.30pm to 9.30pm with tea & coffee available from 7pm in each venue.
Thursday 8th June - Tullow Pastoral Area - Tullow Parish Centre.