PARISH NEWSLETTER



31st. August, 2025 22nd. Sunday in Ordinary Time

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ANNIVERSARIES - WITH LOVE WE REMEMBER

<u>Sunday 31st. August, Kilquiggin 9.00:</u> Fint & Vincent Doyle, Coolkenno. Sunday 7th Sept. Clonmore: Theresa Joyce, Clonmore

<u>Attention sick & Housebound</u>: I will attend the sick and housebound on Friday 12th. Sep. not Friday 5th.

Collections: Weekend: 23/24Aug: Envelopes: €446
Baskets: €533; Envelopes ret. 70 - Bingo: €610

Ballyconnell Bingo: The jackpot this week will be €775.

Check on 13 will be €50.

<u>Coolkenno GAA:</u> 2, 20, 23, 30 - No Jackpot winner. This week's jackpot 10,700. Next draw Monday 1st. Sep. in Dying Cow. Lucky dip winners - Bridgid Timmins, Carol Murphy; Pat Whelan, Gessie, Oscar

<u>Childminder available</u>: Kind reliable mature lady available to care for a member of your family day or night: Phone: 087:9939731

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto
15, 17, 29, 32 - No jackpot winner.
Next week's jackpot €20,000. 4 match 3's get €250 each

It is Good for Us to Be Here: Liturgy Conference 20th September - Carlow Cathedral and Carlow College

Come and join with Bishop Denis and the Diocesan Liturgy Commission for a day of personal enrichment as we explore many aspects of the celebration of Mass and liturgy in our parishes. In his invitation to the day, Bishop Denis says: "I warmly invite every parishioner in our diocese - congregation member and liturgical minister - and our clergy to come along to this day. I know it will be personally enriching, informative and practical, as well as being a time to meet old friends and make new ones! I look forward to personally welcoming you in Carlow on 20^{th} September."

Look out for more details on speakers, available workshops and booking information next week.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The Christian must not be lukewarm. The Book of Revelation tells us that this is the greatest danger for a Christian, not that he or she may say no, but that they may say a very lukewarm "yes". Lukewarmness is, as the late Pope Benedict, emphasised, what discredits Christianity most. Therefore, it is one of the biggest problems facing the Catholic Church as a whole and therefore every Catholic diocese and every Catholic Parish including our own. We need to confront it straight on. The greatest way of all God has established to inflame us is at mass. Whoever draws near Christ, draws near the fire. Origen said in the third century. If that's true, then all the more Christ says to us. 'Whoever receives me, receives the fire'. Whenever we receive Jesus in Holy Communion, we ingest Fire. Christ has come to ignite that fire and how he wants each of us to become truly enkindled! St. Catherine of Sienna used to say in the 1300s. 'If you are what you should be, you will set the world ablaze!' Mass is the place where Christ helps us to become who we should be. As we prepare to receive Him today, we beg the great cloud of witnesses surrounding us now to pray for us that we may be enveloped by fire, always burn with love to the glory of God, ad bring that flame of faith out to warm others hearths, and fill our parish and the whole Fr. Roger J. Landry world with the fire of God's amazing love.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK