PARISH NEWSLETTER



3rd August, 2025 18th. Sunday in Ordinary Time

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ANNIVERSARIES — WITH LOVE WE REMEMBER <u>Saturday 2nd August Ballyconnell 7.30:</u> Ciss & Michael Keogh Ballyconnell.

<u>Sunday 3rd. August Clonmore 10.30:</u> Molly & Paul Cusack - Buckingham <u>Saturday 9th August Ballyconnell 7.30:</u> Tom & Nancy Dempsey - Coolkenno, William Bowes, Michael Cahill, also his sister Terese Cahill, Co. Clare, formerly from Killinure.

<u>Sunday 10th August Kilquiggan 9.00</u> - Mary & Patrick Rooney & Statia Nolan, Rath.

Sunday 10th. August Clonmore 10.30: Sarah Coyle (nee Byrne), Gould, Coolkenno



MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday 5^{th} . Mass @ 9.30; Wednesday 6^{th} . Mass @ 9.30 Friday 8^{th} . Mass in Oratory in Killinure @ 7.3

Collections: Weekend: 26/27 July: Envelopes: €374
Baskets: €466; Envelopes ret. 47 - Bingo: €565

Ballyconnell Bingo: The jackpot this week will be €700.

Check on 13 will be €50.

<u>Coolkenno GAA:</u> 10-11-1-14 - No Jackpot winner. This week's jackpot 10,300. Next draw Monday 4th August in the Dying Cow. Lucky dip winners -€25 euro each. Michael Butler, Charlie Ryan, Johnny Byrne, Nicola Bolger.

PARISH LOTTO: Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto

Wednesday 30th July. - No jackpot winner. Next week's jackpot €20,000. 10 match 3's get €100 each

Sat 9th August Community BBQ in Littlewood Hall, @ 7pm. Proceeds of the evening go towards Littlewood Hall upkeep Sun 10th August @ 3pm in St Michaels Church Aghold: Musical Concert with Hillhouse Choristers (Armagh) under the direction of Mr David Wilson Musical Director & Organist -No Charge - Donation Box at the door proceeds going to church funds.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Some people bless themselves - make the Sign of the Cross - when they pass a church. What does it mean? Perhaps only God knows. It is a prayer, an invocation, a visible act of faith, a public yet personal gesture as you pass 'God's house' - 'teach De' - 'teach an phobail'. It is a reminder of how precious and universal that gesture is: to bless yourself in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. You see people blessing themselves in all sorts of situations: absentmindedly on the way into church; solemnly at the end of mass; in thankful delight, as with sports people; poignantly, in the case of mourners at a grave. In extreme sickness, when the brain can no longer form words and the only way we can turn to God may be with our feeble fingers, forming a cross. This sign can grow hurried and thoughtless through custom, but in monets of crisis and deep emotion, there are few gestures as rich in meaning as blessing ourselves.

HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEK