

# Parish Newsletter

## 17 May 2026

### The Ascension of our Lord.

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#### Anniversaries: With love we remember

##### Saturday 16th. Ballyconnell 7.30:

Josephine Timmins, Killinure  
Terry Keogh, Drummin.

##### Sunday 17th. Kilquiggan 9.00:

Margaret & Thomas Foley, Wexford.

##### Sunday 17th. Clonmore 10.30:

Stephen Cole, Ballykilduff.  
Edward, Margaret & Michael Jones, Ballyduff, Mary & John, James and all deceased family members of the Jones Family.  
Thomas Walsh and his parents.

##### Sunday 24th. Kilquiggan 9.00:

Eilish & Eamonn Dempsey, Mullinacuffe

##### Sunday 24th. Clonmore 10.30:

Charlie Kehoe and his son Mick., Clonmore

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#### Weekday Mass Schedule

Wednesday: 20<sup>th</sup>. May: 9.30 Mass in Ballyconnell

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>. May: Mass in Killinure at 7.30

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Collections: 9/10 May: Baskets: €794 (Includes first communion mass); Envelopes €250.

Bingo €805: Next's weeks jackpot €750

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Coolkenno GAA: 4, 19, 21, 22. No jackpot winner  
This week's jackpot. €14,400: Next Draw: 18<sup>th</sup>. May  
in Dying Cow. Lucky Dip winners: Teresa Byrne,  
Harry Ellis; James Doran, Mick Butler.

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Parish/Diocesan Lotto: Wednesday 13th. May  
Numbers: 14, 16, 24, 25. No jackpot winner.  
Next week's jackpot. €18,000.00  
8 Match 3 €125 each.

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#### Dates for your Diary:

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>. Meeting of our Parish Finance  
Committee in Parish Centre At 6.30

Meeting of our PPC at 7.30 in our Parish Centre.

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>. Bishop Denis and Pat Roach  
are meeting with representatives from the 5  
parishes of Our Pastoral Area. We would welcome  
some representatives from our Parish to attend  
this meeting at 3.00 pm in Tullow Community  
Centre.

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#### Kildare & Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine.

Bishop Denis Nulty invites you to join with him and  
parishioners from across the diocese at the shrine  
of Our Lady of Knock, on Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup>.,  
ceremonies begin at 2.30 pm in the Basilica.  
For information on buses contact Duffy's Buses.

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#### In Aid of St. Joseph's Young Priest society:

Coffee morning, cake sale and Raffle in Tullow Parish  
Centre on Friday 29<sup>th</sup>. May from 10-midday. Your  
support will be much appreciated.

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#### WHY SUNDAY MATTERS

'Sunday has always been the day of the Lord: the day of  
resurrection, the day of rest, the day of Eucharist.  
From the very beginning of our Christian faith, Sunday  
has been central to the life of the Church and remains  
the heart of Christian practice. It is on this day that we  
gather as a community, united in our love for Christ, to  
encounter the risen Lord and be nourished in body and  
soul. The Mass is not just a ritual; it is the source and  
summit of our faith. It is where we encounter Christ in  
His living presence, and it is through the Eucharist that  
we are strengthened to live as true disciples. Attending  
Mass on Sundays, or its vigil on Saturday evening, is not  
just an obligation; it is a profound privilege and a chance  
to experience God's love in a deeply personal way. As we  
come to this sacred celebration let us do so with hearts  
full of gratitude for the precious gift of Christ's  
presence among us.'

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#### Giving to Charity

It would be nice if we all gave something back, more  
preferably to all those who do lack. Like the homeless,  
the hungry, the depressed and the bereaved, when their  
situations are fully understood, it will all be believed. It  
matters not if the amount is too big or too small, it will  
make a real difference to them all. If a single currency  
from each person was got. A massive amount would  
always help a lot. Like a dollar from every Canadian you  
see, perhaps one Yuan Renminbi from every Chinese.  
*Please dig deep into your pockets so that we, can get as  
much as we can for charity. Remember that we're serving  
the needs of others, Like some young children and young  
mothers.*

*Liam Gleeson*

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#### Pray for Life Novena

The *Pray for Life* Novena is an invitation to join  
thousands of people across Ireland to pray for the  
protection of human life, from Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to  
Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May. Each day's intention is accompanied by  
a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a  
culture of life in Ireland. Visit [www.prayforlife.ie](http://www.prayforlife.ie)  
for the daily novena prayers and to sign up for daily  
reminders. The prayers will also be posted on  
[facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena](https://facebook.com/PrayforLifeNovena). This is an  
initiative of the Council for Life of the Irish Catholic  
Bishops' Conference.

HAVE A WONDERFULL WEEK