

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Deacon: Rev. Liam Dunne

Season of Creation 5 *Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*

Bring the human family together

The misunderstanding between Jesus and the disciples continues. John is perturbed by a man he describes as ‘not following us’, someone from outside their group who is claiming to work in Jesus’ name. Jesus responds with a lesson in openness and inclusiveness: ‘Whoever is not against us is for us.’ The disciples have been caught again in an attitude of worldly competition, and Jesus challenges their blindness by offering an alternative vision: we are to appreciate the goodness of others and work together with people of good will.

This message resonates with us as we continue through the Season of Creation. In early 2022, Rabbi Yonatan Neril affixed a letter to the wall of the Russian Orthodox Church in Jerusalem’s Moscow Square. The letter, expressing concern about humanitarian and ecological concerns arising from the invasion of Ukraine, was signed by more than 150 religious leaders worldwide. It called on Patriarch Kirill, leader of the Russian Orthodox Church, to implore President Putin to de-escalate the armed conflict and to seek peace: ‘In this moment, religious leaders are called to rise to the occasion on behalf of God, people, and all creatures.’ In November that year, faith leader joined global leader at the COP27 climate conference in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt. In a joint statement, they called for ‘urgent and ambitious action for the most vulnerable people and communities’ affected by climate change, in particular for gender justice to be prioritised and the voices of women and girls heard. In January 2023, Pope Francis met a delegation of Buddhists from Cambodia, emphasising the need for people of all religions to work together to bring about a ‘change of heart, vision and practice’. He noted that the Buddha left his disciples the practice of *metta*, which involves not harming living things and living a simple lifestyle. These are just a few examples of ‘bringing the human family together’ in a common goal to protect our common home. Our message is stronger when we work together. © Triona Doherty & Jane Mellet, 2023. *The Deep End: A Journey with the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Mark*. (Dublin: Messenger Publications 2023).

‘We are called “to accept the world as a sacrament of communion, as a way of sharing with God and our neighbour on a global scale. It is our humble conviction that the divine and the human meet in the slightest detail in the seamless garment of God’s creation, in the last speck of dust of our planet. - *Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew*

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid’s Talbotstown
Sat/Sun, 28th & 29th September, 2024

St. Patrick’s Rathvilly
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Assumption Tynock
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 28th & 29th September

John Byrne, 22 Fr. Cullen Tce
Siobhan Farrell, Haroldstown
Margaret O’Leary, Williamstown
Frank McArdle, Ricketstown.

Jenny Curran, St. Patricks Park
Patrick & Kathleen Deering, Ballybit
Bob & Kathleen Myers, London & Bough

Sat/Sun, 5th & 6th October

Maureen Curtin nee Loughlin, formerly Straboe – 1st Anniversary
Joan Sibbald, 9 Ballyoliver
Bernie Williams, Coolmanagh

Patrick & Nellie Keegan, Ballyoliver
Micheál Keogh, Williamstown

ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION – Adoration on Friday 3 – 6 p.m.

ST. BRIGID’S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Sunday, 29th September – Mass at 9.30 a.m. Reader: Fiona Kane.

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Sunday, 6th October – Mass at 9.30 a.m. Reader: Lucilla Brophy.

SACRAMENTS 2025

First Holy Communion Enrolment on Sunday, 29th September –
Talbotstown NS & Tynock NS in Talbotstown Church at 9.30 a.m. Mass.

Rathvilly NS and Rathmore NS in Rathvilly Church at 11 a.m. Mass.

Confirmation Enrolment on Sunday, 6th October –

Rathvilly NS & Rathmore NS in Rathvilly Church at 11 a.m. Mass.

DATES FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2025

First Holy Communion

Saturday, 10th May – Rathmore NS & Rathvilly NS in Rathvilly Church at 11 a.m.

Saturday, 17th May – Talbotstown NS & Tynock NS in Tynock Church at 11 a.m.

Confirmation

Saturday, 5th April – Rathmore NS & Rathvilly NS in Rathvilly Church at 11 a.m.

PARISH HOUSEBOUND VISIT FOR OCTOBER

Kiltegan Area – Wednesday, 2nd October

Rathvilly Area – Friday, 4th October

FEAST OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI – (4th October)

BLESSING OF PETS - Sunday, 6th October at 12 Noon in the grounds of St. Patrick's Church, Rathvilly. St. Francis was a lover of nature and things of creation. It is tradition to bless pets on this day.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 21st & 22nd September

We thank all our parishioners who contribute to the weekly Collections.

Rathvilly: Offertory €218.84

Envelopes €371.31

Kiltegan: Offertory €68.20

Envelopes €195.00

PARISH LOTTO (Kildare & Leighlin Co-Op Lotto Draw)

Results for 25th September, 2024 No Jackpot winner of €15,000

Numbers: 04-08-23-29. 15 Match 3 numbers and get €67 each.

One local match three winner this week.

Winner – Jean & Rody McEvoy. Promoter – Fr. John McEvoy.

The draw takes place each Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Parish Centre, Portlaoise.

On **Wednesday, 2nd October the Jackpot is €16,000.** Tickets €2.

Tickets available in the Post Office, Parish Office, lotto promoters and also in Rathvilly, Tynock & Talbotstown Churches after Mass in the Sacristy.

PINS TO PIONEERS

We hope to organise a presentation of Pins to Pioneers in October. If anyone would like to become a Pioneer or if any young person who took the pledge at Confirmation who would like to receive an adult Pin please contact the Parish Office or contact Sophie Kelly on 087 1302587 and calling out to any Pioneer who feels they are due a Silver Pin for 25 years a Pioneer, Gold Pin for 50 years a Pioneer or Diamond Pin for 60 years a Pioneer please let us know.

Price List for Pins – Adult Pin over 18 yrs €7.00 and Certificate €0.50

Silver Pin €40 & Cert €4 Gold Pin €40 & Cert €4 Diamond Clasp €20 & Cert €4.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 9-18-23-28

Bernie Smith, Ballyoliver, Rathvilly 2-9-18-23

Karen Kelly

Pat Ivory, Tynock, Kiltegan 9-11-18-23

Breda Keogh

Pam Byrne, Woodgrove Avenue 9-14-23-28

Anthony Byrne

Promoter's prize €20 was won by Joe Curran, Woodgrove Avenue

Next draw 1st.Oct. 2024 Jackpot €20,000. Thank you for all your support.

Set Dancing on a Tuesday night in St Tegan's Hall, Kiltegan from 8.30pm –10.00pm. New members welcome

RATHVILLY GAA CLUB

Lotto results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 17-20-27-29.

Match 3 win or share €150. 5 Lucky dips

Margaret Breen Shillelagh

On line winner

Alannah Kavanagh Mountkelly

On line winner

Ryan Sibbald Knockroe

Post Office

Sue Molloy Rathvilly

Collette Kelly

David Deering Navan

Helen Deering

Next draw 1 Oct.2024 **Jackpot €9,900**

Visit of the Relic of St Bernadette to Carlow Cathedral

The Relics of St. Bernadette will visit the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow on Monday 7th October. The Relics will be received by Bishop Denis at the 10am Mass. A water ritual, with water from the Grotto, is scheduled for 12 noon, Mass for the Sick and the Sacrament of the Sick will be celebrated at 3pm. The visit of the Relics will conclude with a torch light procession at 8pm. The torch light procession will commence at both Holy Family Church, Askea and St. Claire's Church, Graiguecullen. The Relics may be visited throughout the day in the Cathedral, which will remain open on the evening until 10pm, the visit of the relics concluding with a prayer of thanksgiving.

EXPLORING A VOCATION TO PRIESTHOOD INFORMATION DAY

An information day for those interested in exploring a vocation to the priesthood will take place in University College Dublin on the 12th October. More details from vocations.ie/explore

RUNNERS AND WALKERS WANTED FOR OUTRUN HUNGER 5K

Whether you run, jog, or walk you can help St Clare's Hospitality Food Kitchen, Carlow 'Outrun Hunger.' Sat Oct 19th 10am - Carlow Rugby Club, Oak Park, Carlow R93 RX25 Registration opens 8.30am Refreshments & prize-giving afterwards in Carlow Rugby Club, T-shirts, medals & refreshments for all participants.

1. Adult Entry €20 2. U18 Entry: €5 - u18s must be accompanied by an adult.

3. Team of 4 - Corporate Team Challenge Cup: €200 - any 4 adults from a business. So, lace up your runners and let's help those in our community who are experiencing food insecurity! For every €2 raised, we can provide a meal to those in need in St Clare's food Kitchen, Graiguecullen, Carlow.

Book your place today by logging on to www.popuraces.ie/race/outrun-hunger or call Jacqui on 0868283637 for more info.

IN PRAISE OF BRIGIT

In Praise of Brigit 524-2024 is the title of a one-day conference dedicated to the fascinating figure of St Brigit at Glenstal Abbey on Saturday 26th October. For information phone 061 621005 or email: events@glenstal.com All are welcome.

GRAIGUECULLEN BINGO on Tuesday 1st October St. Fiaccs Hall @ 8.30pm

Jackpot on 50 numbers €3300 Double number €2490 Lotto €800