10th Sunday in Ordinary Time Deacon: Rev. Liam Dunne

Mark 3:20-25 Out of his mind

The opposition to Jesus is growing. His relatives think he has gone mad (3:20-21) and the scribes (teachers of the law) have arrived from Jerusalem, from headquarters, to see what Jesus is doing and saying. The scribes are unwavering in their opposition to Jesus. So far Jesus has been involved in five controversies, breaking sabbath law on more than one occasion; the crowds are gathering around him, he is gaining quite the reputation as a teacher and a healer. The scribes make two charges: one, that Jesus is possessed by Beelzebul, the prince of demons, and two, that Jesus' casts out demons', which is considered akin to practising magic.

Today, talk of demons probably makes us uncomfortable, but it is hard to get through Mark's Gospel without noticing that they have quite a presence as characters. Mark uses the demons in the narrative to show the power of Jesus, to show that Jesus is the superior one, the Son of God (3:11). For Mark, Jesus is an exorcist and a healer. While the demons seem to have zero impact on other characters in the narrative, they confirm to us (the reader) what we already know: that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. The theme of insiders and outsiders recurs throughout the Gospel and we might be horrified to see that while the demons frequently announce the real truth of who Jesus is, Jesus' own family are outsiders, they do not understand him. Jesus is abandoned by his family in Mark, and continuously by the religious leaders; this theme gathers pace as the Gospel moves on. Jesus forms a new family: his family of disciples and wider circle of followers who 'do the will of God' (3:35). Finally, the accusations of the scribes are not totally untrue – Jesus is possessed – but with the spirit of God (Mark 1:10). And so, the accusation of blasphemy is turned on the scribes themselves, because when they say that Jesus 'has an unclean spirit' (3:30), they are actually denying that the power of God is at work in in Jesus.

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'All that is gold does not glitter. Not all those who wander are lost; The old man that is strong does not wither; Deep roots are not reached by the frost. J. R. R. Tolkien

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RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid's St. Patrick's The Assumption
Talbotstown Rathvilly Tynock
Sat/Sun, 8th & 9th June, 2024 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Recent Death: Mary Byrne, Killalesh Upper whose Funeral took place on Saturday

Sat/Sun, 8th & 9th June

Months Mind Mass: Edward Guthrie, Bough

Agnes Smith Corrigan, Monavothe

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

George Byrne, Maplestown Philomena Whyte, Garretstown

Sat/Sun, 15th & 16th June

Jeremiah & Mary Clarke, Knockboy Maura & Liam Dunne, Rathmore

Derek, Joey & Billy Faulkner, Bough Martin Dunne, Rathmore

Michael & Kathleen Byrne, Barnhill Eamonn Dunne, Tankardstown

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

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

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

ST. BRIGID'S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Saturday, 8th June – Mass at 6.00 p.m. Reader: Breedh Murphy.

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Sunday, 16th June – Mass at 9.30 a.m. Reader: Fiona Kane.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 1st & 2nd June

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €509.93 Envelopes €498.25 Kiltegan: Offertory €104.00 Envelopes €220.15

ROSARY FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

The Rosary will continue in Tynock Church on Tuesday evenings at 7.30 p.m. for the month of June – the month of the Sacred Heart.

MISSION APPEAL

Missionaries of Africa (White Fathers) Fr. Diarmuid Sheehan will speak at all Masses next weekend. Envelopes will be available on the seats in the Church in support of their work. Please support the missions.

PARISH CEMETERY MASSES

Tinneclash Cemetery – Sunday, 14th July at 7.00 p.m.

Rathvilly Cemetery – Sunday, 4th August at 11.00 a.m.

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

Results for 5th June, 2024 No Jackpot winner of €20,000.

Numbers: 20 - 28 - 29 - 31. 4 Match 3 numbers and get €250.00 each.

No local match three winners this week.

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

On Wednesday, 12th June the Jackpot is €20,000. Tickets €2.

Thank you to all our parishioners who support the Lotto.

This is our only fundraiser and we would appreciate it if you could support our lotto each week – tickets available in Centra, Post Office, Parish Office and lotto promoters – thank you.

RALLY FOR LIFE 2024

Ireland's largest annual pro-life march takes place Saturday, 6th July at 1.30 p.m. Parnell Square, Dublin. Contact 01 8730465 to book a seat on a rally bus from your area. See www.rallyforlife.net and www.thelifeinstitute.net/rally2024 for more information.

ALL-IRELAND POLLINATOR PLAN FOR JUNE

Local communities can lead the way in creating an Ireland where pollinators can thrive. Our Bees and other pollinating insects are in trouble.

The good news is that you can help by making your garden pollinator friendly. Every garden, no matter its size, can be a haven for hungry pollinators.

Download the set of pollinator friendly garden guidelines www.pollinators.ie

ACCORD now seeking marriage preparation facilitators. Might this be you ... Accord Catholic Marriage Care Service CLG is currently recruiting volunteers to train as marriage preparation programme facilitators. If you are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church; and, have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage ... then Accord wishes to hear from you! Contact Aisling on 01 505 3112 or by email to <a href="mairiage-marriage

Marriage Preparation Programme: Places available on the following dates – 6th & 7th September 2024, 11th &12th October 2024, 8th & 9th November 2024. Book your place today on www.accord.ie

CHILDMINDER REQUIRED

Kind and reliable childminder required in Rathvilly or surrounding area to mind 3 children starting late August. Ideally in children's own home but this can be discussed further. Required for school term time only. Please call or text (preferably text and I will call back) on 0858228176 Thank you.

Graiguecullen Bingo Tuesday 11th June - St. Fiacc's Hall @ 8.30pm.

Jackpot on 44 numbers €1220 Double number €1370 Lotto €1400.

RATHMORE NS – DISCO

80's & 90's Disco in Molloy's Bar on Friday 28th June, fancy dress optional, tickets €10 available on the door or from Rathmore National School - rathmorens.ias@gmail.com or phone 059-9161375. All proceeds to Rathmore NS.

RATHVILLY G.A.A. CLUB

Lotto Results: No Jackpot winner. Numbers drawn 14-15-28-30

Match 3 win or share €150 5 Lucky dips

Aisling Maher Slaney Bank
Grania & Brian Murphy Bough
Mary Dwyer Dunlavin
Ann Doyle Haroldstown
Caroline Dunne Stratford
On Line winner
Bingo winner
Bingo winner
Bingo winner

Next draw 11 June 2024 **Jackpot €8,300**

RATHVILLY PARKS TENNIS CAMP

2hr/day Cost €45 Date: 8th-12th July 5 - 15 yrs start 2.30pm

All equipment provided Register on www.carlowtennis.ie

Contact: Helen Chalton 0861675663

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 14 - 18 - 23 - 26

Tony Carthy, Slaney Bank, Rathvilly 6-14-18-23 Online Winner Mary McNamara, Monavothe 5-14-23-26 Michael Kehoe

Promoter's prize €20 was Karen Kelly, Ballyoliver, Rathvilly

Next draw 11th. June 2024 **Jackpot €20,000.** Thank you for all your support

Adult Faith Development for the 21st Century: Diarmuid O'Murchú

Although formal religion seems to be declining around the world, there is a notable increase in people seeking out more adult forms of faith and spirituality, both within and outside traditional settings.

At the same time, the Irish national <u>synodal</u> synthesis of 2022 reported a widespread lament for an absence of adult faith formation to help bridge a generational divide.

"...there is a crisis in transmission of faith ... we are unsure about how to evangelise in the modern world..."

Join Zoom Meeting on Thursday June 13th @ 8.00 p.m.

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83513793463?pwd} = \underline{QUxkcE5vSUFsREVpL0pGWFlhVGZI}$

QT09 Meeting ID: 835 1379 3463, Passcode: 556417

DUFFY'S COACH HIRE

Duffy's are running a number of trips throughout the summer months:

Tour to Killarney on Sunday, 28th July for 4 nights

Tour to Westport on Sunday, 18th August for 4 nights

Tour to Scotland on Sunday, 27th October for 4 nights

For details please contact 087 2543235 or 059 6471681