

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Deacon: Rev. Liam Dunne

Luke 5:1-11 “Into the Deep”

The disciples are understandably sceptical when Jesus tells them to cast their nets ‘out into the deep water’. They have been working hard all night and have caught nothing. They must think there’s something in what Jesus says, however, or maybe they are just humouring him. Either way, they agree to try again. And what a result! They get such a huge catch of fish that their nets begin to tear, as they fill two boats to sinking point. They get a lot more than they bargained for, just trusting Jesus and taking that leap of faith.

One line in this Gospel that stands out is Peter’s reaction: ‘Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man’. Peter is completely overcome, as well he might be. The scene makes him uncomfortable and painfully aware of his flaws, but Jesus immediately puts him at ease. Instead of focusing on Peter’s shortcomings, Jesus looks ahead at what is possible for Peter, reassuring him with the simple words, ‘Do not be afraid’. Peter has demonstrated his trust by being open to Jesus, and there are wonderful things in store for this disciple. A net full of fish is just the beginning.

We might never find out what’s possible if we don’t step outside our comfort zone, whether it’s reaching out to repair a broken relationship, speaking up for someone who has been wronged, or taking the first step to change a habit that is destructive of ourselves or others. The big challenge is to trust that God, who is constantly urging us to pull away from the shore, knows what God is doing. God wants us to ‘live life to the full’, to take that next step we’ve been agonising over. Do not be afraid; put out into the deep water.

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“A boat is safe in the harbour, but this is not the purpose of a boat. - Paulo Coelho

ALL MASSES AND PRAYERS ARE ON OUR WEBSITE & RADIO

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GRAIGUECULLEN VALENTINES BINGO Tuesday 11th February @ 8.30pm

FREE Pink Sheet with every book Chocolates left & right of the winners

FREE Hamper with Lotto draw. Jackpot on 46 numbers €1480

Double Number €390 Lotto €600

CHRISTMAS CRIB - Sincere thanks for your generous donations for Homeless Charities. We received a total of €825.52.

RATHVILLY KILTEGAN PARISH

NEWSLETTER

St. Brigid’s

Talbotstown

Sat/Sun, 8th & 9th February 2025

St. Patrick’s

Rathvilly

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Assumption

Tynock

Recent Deaths: Ned Byrne, Knockavagh

Pat Kirton, Great Yarmoth, Norfolk, grandmother of Nicola Murphy & Abbie Kirton.

ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat/Sun, 8th & 9th February

Martin Molloy, Rathvilly

Vera Lawlor, Rathvilly

Christopher & William Lawlor, Rathvilly

Bridie Doyle, Tankardstown

Andy Smith, Coole & London

Thomas & Ellen Foley, Rathmore & deceased family members

Canice Donnelly, Broughillstown & deceased family members

William, Kieran, Thomas & Michael Byrne, 16 Ballyoliver

Adrian Byrne, Fr. Cullen Tce.

Mary Hanlon, Ricketstown

Patrick Hanlon, Bough

Kate Hanlon, Borris

Kathleen Faulkner, St. Patrick’s Pk

Sat/Sun, 15th & 16th February

Joe Curran, Collins Park

Mick & Mary Byrne, The Moate

Laurence (Chappie) Byrne, Knockroe

Molly & Jim Nolan, Ballyhackett

Laurence & Mary Dowling, Rathmore

Mai & Myles Carson, Rathmore and deceased family members

Ellen Byrne, Maplestown

Christy Gahan, Collins Park

Helen Smith, St. Patrick’s Park

Vena Doyle, Foxcover

ST. PATRICK’S CHURCH, RATHVILLY

Tuesday – Mass at 9.00 a.m. Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

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

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION, TYNOCK

Sunday, 9th February – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader: Lucilla Brophy.

ST. BRIGID’S CHURCH, TALBOTSTOWN

Sunday, 16th February – Mass at 9.30 a.m.

Reader – Breedh Murphy.

SPECIAL MASSES FOR THE SACRAMENTS

Sunday, 16th February – Talbotstown Church 9.30 a.m. Rathvilly Church 11 a.m.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation children to attend.

ECUMENICAL TABLE QUIZ

Ecumenical Table Quiz takes place on Friday, 21st February in The Harp Lounge at 8.30 p.m. Team of 4 - €40. Please support.

SPECIAL MASS

Next weekend, February 15th/16th will be a celebration of love. Special prayers and blessings will be included in all the Parish Masses to celebrate St. Valentine. Everyone is welcome to attend and join in the celebration and prayers.

ST PATRICK'S DAY IN RATHVILLY

Weather permitting Rathvilly Parish will celebrate St Patrick's Day in a special way this year. People are invited to gather at St Patrick's Well on March 17th at 10:15am where shamrock and water will be collected. Prayers will be said at the well in honour of St Patrick. We will then process to St Patrick's Church for Mass. After this celebration all are invited for light refreshments in the parish meeting room.

PARISH SURVEY

A parish survey is being distributed this weekend for parishioners to share their experience and views of the parish. This will be circulated online with physical copies available in the Churches. A special box will be available in the Churches for the return of physical surveys. This will guide the work of the redevelopment group in the parish and allow all parishioners voices to be heard. Your support and time is much appreciated in completing this activity.

COLLECTION FOR CHURCH FLOWERS

Collection for flowers for the Church will take place Sat/Sun, 15th /16th February. Donations of Flowers for the Altar would also be much appreciated.

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS – 1st & 2nd February

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

Rathvilly: Offertory €271.97	Envelopes €346.00
Kiltegan: Offertory €206.46	Envelopes €249.60

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

Results from 5th February, 2025 No Jackpot winner of €10,000

Numbers: 07-10-11-32. 20 Match 3 numbers get €50 each.

No local match three winner this week.

Next draw on Wednesday, 12th February. **Jackpot €11,000.**

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

Thank you to our parishioners for supporting the Lotto.

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

RATHVILLY COMMUNITY CENTRE AGM

Rathvilly Community Centre Committee will hold its AGM on the 25th February 2025 in Lawlor's Bar at 7.30pm. Nominations for executive positions should be sent to Brian O'Donoghue by 5pm on 15th February 2025, via email info@rathvillycc.ie or in writing to Williamstown, Rathvilly. Co. Carlow. Nominations are sought for chairperson, secretary, joint treasurers, vice chair and assistant secretary. Open invite to anyone interested in the School House Community and Enterprise Centre, please come along and show your support.

The School House Community & Enterprise Centre

The committee of our local centre will be shortly going door to door seeking support for our Buy-A-Brick Fundraiser. This is an opportunity for your name, a family name, or a loved one's name, or a family crest to go on the wall of the building when renovated and be part of the history of the building. There are single brick (€100) and double brick (€150) options available. There's also a business/corporate option available. Please keep an eye out for our committee members and support if you can.

RATHVILLY NS - 6 WEEK DRAW – Results Week 3

€100 – Joanne Byrne.	Promoter – Kian Corcoran.
€50 – John Patrick Kehoe.	Promoter – John Patrick Kehoe.
€20 – Msgr John McEvoy.	Promoter – Parish Centre.
€20 – Julie Kehoe.	Promoter – John Patrick Kehoe.

Promoters Prize €20 – Cameron Doyle.

Results Week 4

€100 – Mark Barrett.	Promoter – Rylie Barrett.
€50 – Alfie Sibbald.	Promoter – Éireann Sibbald Nolan.
€20 – Calvin & DJ Corrigan.	Promoter – Calvin Corrigan.
€20 – Freya Kenny.	Promoter – Robert Kenny.

Promoters Prize €20 – Sorcha Doyle.

SLANEY ROVERS A.F.C.

Lotto Results: No Jackpot Winner. Winning numbers were 11 – 12 – 23 – 26
Tom Whyte, Woodgrove Avenue 4-11-12-26 Anthony Byrne
Mary Keogh, Kiltegan 11-21-23-26 Online Winner
Promoter's prize €20 was won by Breda Keogh.
Next draw 11th. Feb. 2025 Jackpot €13,200. Thank you for all your support.

RATHVILLY GAA CLUB

Lotto Results: Jackpot Won. Numbers drawn 8-9-11-19

Match 3 win or share €150

Congratulation to Brendan Flood London winner of Jackpot € 11,700

Next draw 11 Feb 2025 **Jackpot € 2,500**

Membership for 2025 is now due and all players should register before commencing training. Membership Officer Sean Kavanagh or Treasurer Colin Gibbons. Thank you for your continued support.

CHILDMINDER WANTED

Starting: July/August - 5 Yr Old Boy 3 Evenings after School
3 Full Days for Summer and Mid Terms - Contact 0871239048.

RATHVILLY TIDY TOWNS

Tidy Towns Meeting on Tuesday, 11th February at 8 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room. This is to plan for 2025. New members needed – New helpers needed – New supporters needed. All are welcome.