

Carbury Parish Newsletter

Sunday 30th July 2017

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<i>Derrinturn Church Mass Times</i>		<i>Kilshanroe Church Mass Times</i>	
Monday	9.30am	Monday	
Monday – Adoration	10am – 12 midnight		
Tuesday	9.30am	Tuesday	
Wednesday	9.30am	Wednesday	9.00am
Thursday	9.30am	Thursday	
Adoration for Priestly Vocations	8.45pm		
Friday	9.30am	Friday 4 th	7.30pm
Saturday	10.00am 7.30pm	Saturday	7.30pm
Sunday	8am 11am	Sunday	11am

Next Week's Gospel Mt 17 1-9

Kilshanroe Church: We will shortly be in a position to put a plan for Kilshanroe church before the people of the parish. Preliminary drawings have been done. They are being fine tuned at the moment. As soon as they are ready, we will put them on show.

World Meeting of Families Preparation: 52 families are needed for each church, one for every Sunday of the coming year, to carry the candle to the Altar each Sunday in preparation for World Family Day. Any families interested are asked to call the Parish office on 046 9553355 to add their names to the list.

The National Church collection in aid of 25 million people facing hunger crisis in East-Africa will take place in Carbury Parish at all Masses this weekend Saturday the 29th and Sunday the 30th of July. The money raised will be donated to Trócaire, the overseas development agency of the Catholic Church in Ireland, which is delivering emergency food, water and health care to the 25 million people affected. Severe drought, driven by climate change, is currently affecting Kenya, South Sudan, Somalia and Ethiopia and this has resulted in failed harvests and the widespread death of livestock. Conflict has exacerbated the effects in South Sudan and Somalia, with areas in both countries now on the verge of famine.



Family Picnic - An invitation from Bishop Denis: Bishop Denis invites families and extended families to join him for a family picnic on Sunday, August 27th in Punchestown, starting at 3pm. A great afternoon of entertainment and fun is being planned so save the date and get your extended family to save it too!

Anniversary Mass List

2017	Derrinturn	Kilshanroe
Sat 29th July St Martha	10am Olivia, Lily & Jim Cox. 7.00pm Confessions 7.30pm Jenny Fox, Ballyshannon. Kathleen Brennan, Trinity Crescent. Rose, Thomas & Patrick Kearney, Killina, Anniversary Mass. Tom Dolly, Annie & Patrick Donooghue and deceased members of the Donooghue family, Kilpatrick.	7.00pm Confessions 7.30pm Marjie Morrin, Bal.
Sun 30th July <i>Seventeenth</i> <i>Sunday in</i> <i>Ordinary Time</i>	8.00am 11.00am Helen Fanning Boherbree, Birthday Remembrance.	11.00am
Mon 31st July St Ignatius	9.30am Griff Owen, Birthday Mass.	
Tues 1st August St Alphonsus	9.30am Conor Boyle, Birthday Remembrance.	
Weds 2nd August St Eusebius,	9.30am	9.00am
Thurs 3rd August St Thomas	9.30am Bridget & John Reilly & deceased members of the Reilly family, Ticknevin Lock.	
Fri 4th August St John Vianney	9.30am Remembering the deceased on Our Mass card List.	7.30pm
Sat 5th August St Mary Major	10am Remembering the Living on Our Mass card List. 7.00pm Confessions 7.30pm Theresa Herbert of Lowlown & Ferbane, 10 th Anniversary.	7.00pm Confessions 7.30pm Derek Waters Kilmurray, also Joan Kenny & Vincent Kenny, Dublin.
Sun 6th August <i>Transfiguration</i> <i>of the Lord</i>	8.00am 11.00am Nicholas O'Neill. Kathleen Fillingham née Connolly, Killina.	11.00am



Horse Drive in aid of Carbury Carers takes place this Sunday the 30th of July, starting from the Turn Inn. Horses leaving approximately 2pm and returning at 4pm. Auction and Raffle will take place on their return. Refreshments will be available on the day. All proceeds for this event will go towards supporting our local carers. Please come out and support this worthy cause, looking forward to seeing you all on the day. Your support is always appreciated.

New website for Vatican Dicastery for Laity, Family, Life: The website can be viewed online at www.laityfamilylife.va, the new site offers news about the Dicastery's activities, as well as social updates and videos. Explaining the mission, "The new website, in addition to telling about the Dicastery's activities, wants to become a familiar place for lay people and families, where everyone will feel at ease and have a chance to be heard."

Communion Calls in the Parish are *Wednesday the 3rd and Thursday 4th of August*; Killina, Ticknevin, Ballyhagen, Clonkeen, Haggard, Coonough, Ballyshannon and Parsonstown, Should anyone wish to have a Priest call to their home please contact the Parish Office on 046 9553355 or email carburiyparish@gmail.com

Edenderry Rugby Club Lotto Results: There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot on Tuesday 25th July. There were no match three winners. Five names were drawn and each received €30. Next week's Jackpot is €4,300

<i>Collections for Saturday the 22nd of July & Sunday the 23rd of July 2017</i>			
Collections	Amount	Collections	Amount
Derrinturn Basket	€685	Development	€1570
Kilshanroe Basket	€385	Peters Pence	€10
		Mass Cards	€30

Carbury GAA Lotto took place on Monday the 24th of July. The following numbers were drawn in this week's lotto, 02 08 09 21 and the bonus number was 26. There were 2 winners of the match three, who each received €100.

<i>Derrinturn Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for weekend of the 5th & 6th of August 2017</i>		
<i>Mass Time</i>	<i>Readers</i>	<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>
<i>Saturday 7.30pm</i>	Teresa Corrigan	Peg Hughes & Patsy Daly
<i>Sunday 8am</i>	Mark Murray	Bernadette Connolly
<i>Sunday 11am</i>	Monica Flynn	Muriel Skelly & Fidelma Mallen

Eucharistic Ministers and Readers Lists will be compiled over the next few weeks, if any Eucharistic Ministers or Readers contact information has changed or they would like to change their current day/time before the new list is compiled, could they please contact the Parish Office on 9553355.

<i>Kilshanroe Eucharistic Ministers & Readers for weekend of the 5th & 6th of August 2017</i>		
<i>Mass Time</i>	<i>Readers</i>	<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>
<i>Saturday 7.30pm</i>	Deidre Carley	Lily Boyle
<i>Sunday 11am</i>	Alan Ryan	Owen Smith

Bishop Denis Homily In Lourdes on the Kildare and Leighlin Diocesan Pilgrimage



It was very interesting in the past couple of days I got two postcards, one from Nevers and the second from Knock. The Nevers card reminded me of the tomb of Bernadette and how it was her wish never to return here to Lourdes.

It reminded me of the witness statements I read some time back of the three exhumations of her body as part of the process towards canonisation. The very last exhumation took place 46 years and 2 days after her death. Doctor Comte's who was charged with detaching relics from her intact and uncorrupt body, talked about her liver organ being in a remarkable state of preservation. The Knock postcard wishing me well with this pilgrimage reminded me as far back as June 2014 the seed for this pilgrimage was sown! Three years later that seed has reaped a great harvest! Mass at the Grotto is for all pilgrims I think the goal of their pilgrimage. The series of apparitions, eighteen in all, began here on February 11th 1858, one of the key messages coming from that conversation with the young Bernadette Soubirous and Our Lady was that a church must be built here. Bernadette was told to dig in the mud, and a spring of water gushed forth. This was the place of the dump; this is where the poorest gathered to collect firewood or refuse that still held currency in the home of the poor. We are dealing with that Bernadette!

The spring of water that resulted from her digging has over the many years become a great source of so many miracles of healing. People wonder today what is the great gift of Lourdes. Is it cures or miracles? I think of the story of the pilgrims returning some time back from a pilgrimage here and as they packed their check in bags, aware of weight restrictions, they stuck one bottle of Jameson in the middle of the Holy Water containers. They were, as luck had it, stopped by customs officials on their way into Dublin airport, as the official checked through the bags and dutifully found the Jameson, he wondered was this another miracle of Lourdes! There are not many miracles in the physical sense today, and even those that we, must first be rigorously examined. Perhaps the real gift is somewhere near the second Station of the Cross as *'Jesus accepts His Cross'*, the gift of acceptance of the disability, the illness, the depression, the anxiety – whatever that Cross may be is perhaps the greatest gift Lourdes offers.

I notice many people who walk around the Grotto sanctuary touch the rocks that are seeping with water. We are all touching the holy water coming from a spring above; we are touching the rocks that were here in 1858. It brings me back to that small section in front of the Apparition Chapel in Knock where there are some original stones from the gable apparition wall. Just like here at the Grotto pilgrims walk up and rub the stones, a prayer is interrupted, a petition offered, a thanksgiving made. And all of this because a young illiterate girl by the name of Bernadette Soubirous, a miller's daughter, living in a cachot met Our Lady within this cave back in 1858.

We stand today on holy ground. *"This is holy ground, in this holy place, where God's love is found, we come to seek his face"*. Matthew's gospel reassures us it is the young, in fact it is *"mere children"* to whom the richness of the gospel unfolds. Through the humble, barely literate thirteen year old Bernadette, Our Lady called sinners to conversion, and enkindled within the Church a great fervour of prayer and charity, especially here in Lourdes embracing the sick and the lonely.

Lourdes is many things to many people – the baths, the grotto, the confessionals, the stations, the cups of coffee, the evening sing song. Lourdes is very special. Late at night here at the Grotto groups huddle in quiet prayer. Shsst! In our own way we find that tile I've spoken about so often that marks the spot where Bernadette and today, 159 years later, we kneel. We walk in Bernadette's shoes! And we are squeezing into those shoes because most of us have outgrown the shoes of a thirteen year old! *"I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children"*.



Thank you Lord for the gift of the thirteen-year-old Bernadette to our church and our faith. Thank you for the witness of the sick this morning and the example of those accompanying them on this pilgrimage.

St. Brigid, pray for us

St. Conleth, pray for us

St. Lasarian, pray for us

St. Bernadette, pray for us

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.