

Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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| <p>8th/9th June</p> <p>Vigil 6p.m.Gavin O'Connor, Anniv. Muff Vigil: 7.30p.m. Niall & Marion O'Halloran Anniv. Corlea 9.00a.m. Hugh & Rose Duffy, Anniv. 10.30a.m.Tom Rooney, Anniv. 12noon: Jim McKeown, Anniv.</p> | <p>15th/16th June</p> <p>Vigil 6p.m.Jimmy Armstrong Months Mind & Carmel Finnegan Anniv. Muff Vigil: 7.30p.m.Patsy Gargan Months Mind Corlea 9.00a.m.Pat Boylan, Anniv 10.30a.m.Mary & John Sheehy, Anniv 12noon:Rose & John McKiernan Anniv,</p> |
| <p>Tuesday 10am: Patrick & Margaret Clarke, Anniv. Wednesday 10am: Derek Kane. Anniv. Thursday 10am: Philip Farrelly, Tierworker.</p> | <p>Thursday 1p.m. Wedding Mass Friday 10a.m.Special Intention</p> |

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord: Paul Lennon, Ervey, Noel Curran, Dublin, Fr. Michael Walsh, PP, Tubber, Sean Brady, Limerick, Marcin Krupinski, Poland.

Reborn through Baptism & The Holy Spirit : Congratulations to **Nicole Marie Hanratty, Ryan Martin Wakely,** and **Thomas James McDaniel**, on their recent baptisms. The next Baptism Preparation meeting is on **Thursday 4th July** at 8p.m.in The Parish Centre. Baptisms take place on the **Second and Fourth Saturdays** of each month at 4p.m.

Bulletin Notices: All notices to be addressed to Parish Office by Thursday at 9a.m.

Holy Land Pilgrimage 2011: **2 PLACES LEFT** ON THE PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND FROM OCTOBER 14TH – 22ND INCL 2013. THE PILGRIMAGE OF A LIFETIME LED BY FR. GERRY. BOOKINGS WITH MAP TRAVEL AT 8783111. www.maptravel.ie COST €1329 PLUS taxes. The Parish Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo and the Amalfi coast, 2013 with MAP Travel will take place from September 2nd – 9th. Cost is €995 plus extras. www.maptravel.ie

Holy Hour: Thanks to all those who took time last weekend to respond to the invitation of Pope Francis to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for the needs of the family, and our country at this very important time. Thanks to all who led the prayers and music.

Exams students: We keep all exam students in our prayers during these weeks.

Enrolment for First Holy Communion: We welcome the children and their families for a Mass of Pre –Enrolment for the Sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion this weekend.

Reception: The Parish hosts a reception to express thanks to the Chairpersons of the Schools Boards and the Sacramental Teachers on Thursday next.

Golden Jubilee of Ordination: Please remember in your prayers Fr.Michael Sheerin, PP Lobinstown who marks the Golden Jubilee of Ordination to the Priesthood this week. We wish him Ad Multos Annos.

Community Text Alert: A copy of the Community Text Alert can be down loaded from the Parish website. Completed forms can be forwarded to Sgt. D. Burke, Kingscourt Garda Station.

Home Visitation: Fr. Gerry completes visits to Mountview and Bramblewood these weeks.

Castletown Accordion Band: We welcome the Castletown Accordion Band to Mass this weekend. They will join us again on June 30th. Congrats on their recent great success in Austria.

Additional Readers: We are currently updating our Mass Readers and are requesting parishioners to consider becoming Readers in Kingscourt Church. Please contact Fr. Gerry.

This Week's Collections Plate: €1298 Many thanks. Development Target:€1850 **Received €2410**

Choose Life 2013

Church Teaching

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* states in article 2273: "The inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and its legislation."

The *Catechism* elaborates: "The moment a ... law deprives a category of human beings of the protection which civil legislation ought to accord them, the state is denying the equality of all before the law. When the state does not place its power at the service of the rights of each citizen, and in particular of the more vulnerable, the very foundation of a state based on law are undermined." (80 CDF, *Donum vitae III*)

Abortion Legislation

It has been claimed that Ireland has an obligation to legislate for abortion in the context of the 1992 X Case. This is untrue. **There exists no constitutional provision or statute requiring politicians to legislate for any Supreme Court decision.**

Legislators can make a positive choice: they can preserve current medical practice which guarantees necessary treatment for pregnant women while respecting the right to life of the baby.

Similarly the December 2010 decision of the European Court of Human Rights in the *A, B and C v. Ireland* case did not oblige Ireland to introduce legislation authorising abortion. Rather it left "future policy on protecting the lives of unborn children in the hands of the Irish people" -

Extract from *Prayer for the Child in the Womb*

Lord Jesus, you are the source and lover of life. Reawaken in us respect for every human life. Help us to see in each child the marvellous work of our Creator. Open our hearts to welcome every child as a unique and wonderful gift. Amen

Community Notices: Step out for Diabetes on June 22nd. Visit www.diabetes.ie or lo call 1890 909909. Lough an Leagh Heritage Group are planning a *Gathering* at Lough an Leagh on Sunday 21st July, based on the theme of the Humble Potato. Further information from www.loughanleagh.com. Information evening on the property tax in The Workhouse on June 14th at 7p.m, all welcome. Corlea School Sponsored Walk on June 23rd at 2p.m. Further info from 085 7280380/087 9046425. Good Luck to Muff NS in the Schools County Final next weekend. Congratulations to Saint Joseph's NS Kingscourt who were awarded their third Green Flag recently. Congrats to all involved on this great achievement. Congratulations to the pupils of Carrickleck NS on their achievements at Community Games 2013. Congratulations to the Kingscourt Harps players, mentors and management on their dedication, commitment and sportsmanship over the past 25 years and on securing recent success. You have raised the spirits of a community. Well done! Kingscourt Social Services Outing to Sligo, Booking deposit with Sadie O'Reilly. Kingscourt Garden Club meeting in Blakes on Wednesday next, June 12th at 8p.m. All welcome. Meath Archaeological and Historical Society present a talk in Oldcastle library on June 13th on Flax growing in Meath/Westmeath by Richard Stokes.