

# Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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20 <sup>th</sup> / 21 <sup>st</sup> July	27 <sup>th</sup> / 28 <sup>th</sup> July
Vigil 6p.m. Bridie Rogers Anniv Muff Vigil: 7.30p.m. Paul Lennon, Months Memory Corlea 9.00a.m. The Muldoon family 10.30a.m. Maisie Caffrey, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary 12noon: The People of the Parish	Vigil 6p.m. James Carr 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv Muff Vigil: 7.30p.m. Coleman Burns, Anniv. Corlea 9.00a.m. Margaret Carolan, Anniv. 10.30a.m. James McCarthy, 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary 12noon: Pat Donnellan Anniv.
Tuesday 10a.m. Willie & Robert McCullagh, Anniv Wednesday 10a.m. Katie Pierce, Anniv.	Thursday 10a.m. Dec members of all the Wakley Families. Friday 10a.m. Special Intention Saturday 1p.m. Wedding

**Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord:**

**Kathleen McEntee**, Dublin, **Patrick Carolan**, Barleyhill, **Mark Quinn**, Castletown

**Thanks** to all involved with our Community Mass at Muff to mark the feast day of our Lady of Mount Carmel on Tuesday evening.

**Reborn through Baptism & The Holy Spirit:**

Congratulations to **Siobhan Niamh O'Connor**, **Dara Joe McCabe** & **Alex Daniel David Jones**, on their recent baptisms. The next Baptism Preparation meeting is on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August at 8p.m. in The Parish Centre. Baptisms take place on the **Second and Fourth Saturdays** of each month at 4p.m.

**Welcome Fr. Michael & Fr. Louis :**

We extend a warm welcome to **Fr. Michael Bennett**, St. Patrick's Father, Kiltegan who is visiting the parish this week. Fr. Michael has worked extensively in Zimbabwe – home country of Fr. Fernando – and South Africa. We also are delighted to welcome **Fr. Louis Eustace** who is visiting his family at this time also.

**Parish Bulletin:**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO PARISH BULLETIN PRINTED DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST. IF YOU HAVE A FUNCTION THAT NEEDS A MENTION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST, PLEASE E.MAIL TO THE PARISH OFFICE BY THURSDAY OF THIS WEEK AT 9A.M. FOR INCLUSION IN NEXT WEEKS BULLETIN.**  
[info@kingscourtparish.ie](mailto:info@kingscourtparish.ie) The bulletin will resume on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Parish Child Safeguarding:**

In line with best practice in our diocese, the parish has a trained team of 4 child safeguarding representatives, namely, Aine Gogarty, Barbara Gaynor, Catherine Byrne and Dara Murtagh who can be contacted at 042 9667314. Fr. Sean Henry is the Designated Liaison Person within the Diocese of Meath.. See [www.meathsafeguarding.ie](http://www.meathsafeguarding.ie).

**Offering Day:**

Next Sunday is an **Offering Day** in support of your Priests.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage 2011:**

**THE PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND FROM OCTOBER 14<sup>TH</sup> – 22<sup>ND</sup> INCL 2013. IS SOLD OUT, THE PILGRIMAGE OF A LIFETIME LED BY FR. GERRY. BOOKINGS WITH MAP TRAVEL AT 8783111. [www.maptravel.ie](http://www.maptravel.ie) COST €1329 PLUS taxes.**

**Parish Pilgrimage:**

**Last remaining seats on the Parish Pilgrimage to San Giovanni Rotondo and the Amalfi coast, 2013 with MAP Travel which will take place from September 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup>. Cost is €995 plus extras. [www.maptravel.ie](http://www.maptravel.ie)**

**Grandparents: Kingscourt Come Dancing:**

Mass to mark **Grandparents Day** will take place on Sunday next at 12noon. All welcome. Limited copies of **Kingscourt Come Dancing DVD** are now available from The Parish Repository at €10. Limited copies of the Souvenir Programme for **€1**.

**Parish Rummage Sale:**

A very sincere word of thanks to Ann Burns and her team who worked so hard on the recent very successful Parish Rummage and Jumble Sale. Thanks to all who supported it and to the management of the Matt Talbot Hall for facilitating the event in every way. . €2,705 was raised from the day. Many thanks.

**Mass Intentions for 2014:**

The 2014 Diary for booking Masses will be available in **late September**. Please note that **Months Memory Masses** and **First Anniversary Masses** **take priority**. To facilitate a Month's Memory Mass - *which always happens at short notice* - it may be necessary to reschedule a previously long timed booked Anniversary Mass for another date. Your understanding with this pastoral matter is greatly appreciated.

This Week's Collections Plate: **€1205** Many thanks. Dev.Fund target **€1850**. Received **€1575**

**Community Notices**; Bright Stars Support Group for Autistic Children Charity Shop now open beside Dun a Ri House Hotel, Mon – Sat 10a.m. – 5p.m. Meath Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage from September 12<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>. Megan and Marie thank all who supported the recent Ladies Mini Marathon in aid of JP United Fund raising €3242. Cystic Fibrosis National Collection this weekend. Bishop Michael Smith will lead the Diocesan Pilgrimage to knock on Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to all who were so generous to the Lourdes Collection last week amounting to 1375.60 This will enable sick parishioners to travel on the forthcoming pilgrimage in September. Blood Donor Clinic in Community Centre on July 29<sup>th</sup> from 5 p.m. – 8.30p.m. Cake sale and Coffee Day in aid of Shercock Cancer Support on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Enquiries to 087 6439106. Handball & Racquetball Lotto 14/19/22/24, no winner. Cabaret night in The Headford Arms Kells on July 31<sup>st</sup> with Fergal Flaherty, Lorcan Daly, Maria Butterly and guests in aid of Ciaran Maree Cancer Research, admission €10. World Youth Day Gathering at The Cathedral in Mullingar on Saturday. Register [fionamccabe21@gmail.com](mailto:fionamccabe21@gmail.com) Meath Historical Society outing led by Noel French on July 28<sup>th</sup>, contact 01 8259438.

### **July Diary:**

21<sup>st</sup> July: The Gathering at Lough an Leagh on The Humble Potato from 2p.m. All welcome

28<sup>th</sup> July Mass at 12noon to mark the special role of Grandparents. All welcome.

30<sup>th</sup> July; Fr. Gerry will bring Holy Communion to the Sick and Housebound.

Meeting in Parish Centre at 8p.m. for all who might assist with stewarding etc at Cemetery Sunday Mass.

31<sup>st</sup> July A Gathering for all those travelling on the pilgrimage to San Giovanni and The Amalfi Coast in The Parish House at 7.30p.m.

## **Choose Life 2013**

### **Abortion Legislation**

This Abortion Bill **will provide** the widest possible legal justification for deliberately and intentionally destroying the life of the unborn child, with no time limits and no mechanism for ensuring that the right to life of the unborn is adequately vindicated as required by Article 40.3.3 of the Constitution. In practice, the right to life of the unborn child will no longer be treated as equal. This Bill represents a legislative and political 'Trojan Horse' which heralds **a much more liberal and aggressive abortion regime in Ireland.**

Medical evidence does not support the view that abortion is an appropriate treatment for expectant mothers with suicidal feelings. Mothers in these situations deserve the best professional care and support that can be provided. As well as involving the deliberate killing of an unborn child, this Bill by promoting abortion risks creating the very symptoms of suicidal feelings it claims to address.

Moreover, the Abortion Bill makes it lawful to induce the premature delivery of an unborn child in response to the suicidal feelings of a mother, foreseeably exposing that child to the risk of serious and permanent damage to her or his health. Where a child is perhaps only days away from viability, the Bill is silent on whether the child will be killed or delivered with serious risk to the health of the child.

Where are the mechanisms to vindicate the Constitutional right to life of the child in these circumstances? How can an act which involves serious risk to the health of a child be reconciled with the State's duty in Article 42A of the Constitution to ensure that in all decisions the welfare of the child will be 'the paramount consideration'? - Cardinal Seán Brady, 1 July 2013.

### ***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 other the marvellous work of our Creator. Amen.