

Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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19 th / 20 th October	26 th /27 th October
Vigil 6p.m. Mary Smith First Anniv, Muff Vigil Kathleen Woolley. Anniv Corlea 9.00a.m For the intentions of Parishioners 10.30a.m. Tommy Caffrey & dec family Anniv 12noon: Kingscourt Apostolic Society Members	Vigil 6p.m. John & Jane Cullen and dec family Muff Vigil: John Tierney, Months Memory Corlea 9.00a.m. Mass 10.30a.m. Eileen McKenna Anniv. 12noon Mass Declan Rooney Months Memory.
Tuesday: 10a.m. Luke and Margaret Morris Anniv Wednesday: 10a.m. Kathleen and Russell Joslin RIP	Thursday: 10a.m. Kathleen Carolan, Friday 10a.m. Mass

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord:

At all Masses during the month of November and on each First Friday, we remember those whose names are on the new Altar List of the Dead. The List of the Dead forms are available in your envelope boxes or in the Churches. Please return them by November 1st.

May Davison, Mullingar, Elizabeth Tinnelly Dean, Meathhill & Yorkshire

Reborn through Baptism & The Holy Spirit:

The next baptism preparation meeting is on Thursday November 7th at 8p.m. in The Parish Centre. All baptisms take place on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month at 4p.m. in Kingscourt Church.

One in the Sacrament of Marriage:

We congratulate Alexandra Valentino and Garret O'Connor, Sarah Tohill and Conor Lyons on their recent marriages. Couples intending to marry in the Diocese of Meath must complete an ACCORD pre marriage workshop. See www.accord.ie or phone 046 9023146. Contact the Civil Registrar at www.crsappointments.ie

Holy Land Pilgrimage:

Fr. Gerry and the 53 pilgrims on the Year of Faith Pilgrimage to the Holy Land will remember the intentions of all parishioners at all the Holy Shrines and at the many Masses celebrated there during the current pilgrimage.

Notices for the bulletin:

In so far as possible, we request that all notices for inclusion in the parish bulletin reach the Parish Office by Thursday at 9a.m. to ensure publication. Please mark them Parish Bulletin.

Apostolic Society:

The Mass at 12noon on this Sunday is for the intentions of Kingscourt Apostolic Society. We owe one and all an immense debt of gratitude in raising Mission awareness in our parish and for the very generous support of mission outreach throughout the world. Our envelope Collection this weekend is for Mission support. Thanks to the Apostolic Society for mounting their annual display and thanks to all in the parish who support them with their prayers and practical assistance.

Monthly Remembrance Mass:

To facilitate the many requests from parishioners, the monthly remembrance Mass will now take place on the First Saturday of each month at the 6p.m. Vigil Mass. This will come into effect from January 2014. The First Friday Evening mass will continue on the Friday evenings and will be exclusively for those whose names are on the new Altar List of the Dead.

Month of the Rosary;

October is traditionally the Month of the Rosary. The Rosary is recited each morning before 10a.m. Mass and on each Monday night at 7p.m. at the Fatima grotto at Kingscourt Church

Vocations:

If you are interested in the Diocesan Priesthood in Meath, please do more than just think about it! Take the first step in following the Lord's call by talking with Fr. Gerry or any Priest or by contacting Fr. Mark English, Vocations Director at 01 8255342 .

Healing Programme:

The Parish Bethany Bereavement Group commence their 5 week healing programme on Wednesday October 30th in The Parish Centre. All are welcome.

Eucharistic Adoration: **Eucharistic Adoration takes place in our parish on each Tuesday from 10.30a.m. During these months it takes place in the parish centre. We are asking more parishioners to consider giving just 30 minutes per week to Adoration.**

This week's collection **Plate: €2,305** Many thanks. Development Fund: Target€1850 Received €2,070

Community Notices: Members of the Bethany Support Group will be in the Parish Centre after 10am Mass on Fri 1st Nov, confidentiality assured. Scouts Fancy Dress Disco in Dun a Ri Fri 25th, 7-9pm, Adm €3, age 6-12yrs. To mark International Credit Union Day on October 24th next, the Credit Union Car draw for a Car and three tablets will take place at 12noon all welcome. Meath Archeological and Historical Society present a lecture on Kingship, Violence and Loch de Gabhor Landscape in The Pastoral Centre, Dunshaughlin on October 22nd at 7.30p.m. Lady's Fun Football in aid of Crumlin Children's Hospital, Fri 29th Nov, contact Rosaline 0879594677 or Kim 0879653244. North Meath Photographic Society, 2013/14 season has just commenced; all new members are very welcome. Meetings are in the Iona Hall Kells each fortnight at 8pm on Wednesdays. Next meeting 23rd Oct.

Recycling Bank Holiday Weekend in aid of St. Joseph's N.S. - Bagged clothes, list of metal objects, details on our school website. More prizes and bigger prizes every week at Kingscourt Bingo, don't miss your chance to be a cash winner, come to Bingo in the Matt Talbot Hall 8.30pm every Thursday. Lotto Draw also takes place at Bingo, tickets available at Bingo or in local shops. Cookery Demonstration by Chefs Pauric & Robert White at Mannan Castle Golf Club, Donaghmoynne, Monday 21st October at 8pm Everyone Welcome. Tickets only €10 (Tickets will be available at door). Cruicetown Cemetery Conservation Committee will hold its Annual General Meeting in Nobber Community Hall on Friday 1st November. It will be held immediately after the Annual Cruicetown Cemetery Conservation Committee requiem Mass which will be held on Friday 1st November at 8pm in St John the Baptist Church Nobber.

Pope Francis on Prayer

Pope Francis emphasized the importance of prayer in light of the Gospel of Martha and Mary. The heart that knows how to pray, knows how to forgive he told those gathered in the chapel of his residence at Casa Santa Marta. The biblical figures of Martha and the prophet Jonah in [today's readings](#), he said, share an identical flaw: both did not know how to pray. The Gospel recalled when Mary asks Jesus in a reproachful tone to tell her sister to help her, to which Christ replies that "Mary has chosen the better part." "This part," the Pope explains, "is that of prayer, that of the contemplation of Jesus. In the eyes of her sister it was a waste of time, it also seemed, perhaps, a bit of a fantasy: to look at the Lord as if she were a child full of amazement." "The Lord: this is the better part, because Mary listened to the Lord and prayed with her heart. And the Lord tell us: 'The first task in life is this, prayer.' But not the prayer of words, like parrots; but prayer [of the] heart: to look at the Lord, to listen to the Lord, to ask the Lord. We know that prayer can make miracles."

The power of prayer is noted in the first reading which spoke on the conversion of Nineveh upon hearing the announcement of their imminent destruction by the prophet Jonah. The Holy Father noted that Jonah, like Martha, is more willing to deal justice without mercy. "There are others who are as stubborn as Jonah, that are the justiciars. He went, prophesied, but in his heart he said: 'They deserve it. They deserve it. They asked for it! He prophesied, but didn't pray!' the Holy Father exclaimed. "He didn't not ask forgiveness from the Lord for them. He would only beat them. They are the justiciars, those who believe they are just! And in the end, the book of Jonah continues, we see that he is a selfish man, because when the Lord saves, through the prayers of the people, Nineveh, he gets angry with the Lord: 'You are always like this. You always forgive.'" Concluding his homily, the Holy Father warned that to pray without heart, pessimism, as well as to seek justice without forgiveness are the temptations that keep Christians from choosing "the better part." When one does not pray, they close the door thus keeping the Lord from acting in their life. "Prayer in front of a problem, in a difficult situation, [...] is opening the door to the Lord so he can enter. Because He re-does things, He knows how to arrange things, to rearrange things," he said.

