

# Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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December 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup>

Vigil 6p.m. Ann Monaghan and daughter  
Caroline Carry

Muff Vigil: Jean Smith 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv

Corlea 9a.m. Eileen and Peter Duffy

10.30a.m. Thomas and Noreen Wakely, Anniv.

12noon Sheila McCabe and dec family.



Monday: 10a.m. Funeral Mass

Monday: 1p.m. Wedding Mass

Tuesday: 10a.m. John, Mary & Willie Power.

Wednesday: 10a.m. Mass of Peace for New

Years Day and the intentions of Pope Francis.

January 4<sup>th</sup> / 5<sup>th</sup>

Vigil 6p.m. Remembrance Mass for the following anniversaries; P.J. Gorman, Norah Fleming, Eileen Galligan, Peter & Kathleen Kieran, Christopher Gogarty, James & Patricia Armstrong, Molly Taylor, Robert & Eileen O'Connell, Rachel Lynch, Charlie Lynch, Michael & Joan Gargan, Patrick & Kathleen O'Connor, George & Mary Monaghan, Martin O'Donnell, John Lee.

Muff Vigil: Kitty & Benny Curtis Anniv.

Corlea 9a.m. Susan & Patrick Owens, Anniv.

10.30a.m. Patsy Kate & John Clarke & Pauline Kiernan Anniv

12noon Michael Tevlin Anniv

Wednesday: 12.30p.m. Wedding Mass in Muff

Thursday: 10a.m. John & Mary McGrane Anniv.

Friday: 10a.m. Altar List of the Dead.

Friday: 1p.m. Wedding Mass.

Friday: 7p.m. Altar List of the Dead

Eternal rest grant  
unto them O Lord:

Maggie Reilly, Cortubber, Dick Thompson, Dublin, Oliver Nesbit, Mount St. Joseph, Madge White, Rathkenny.

Reborn through  
Baptism & The Holy  
Spirit:

The next baptism preparation meeting is on Thursday January 2<sup>nd</sup> 2014 at 8p.m. in The Parish Centre. All baptisms take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month at 4p.m. in Kingscourt Church. We extend a warm welcome to all families whose babies were baptised in the parish during 2013 to a special Mass of Blessing on this Sunday, the Feast of the Family at 12noon in Kingscourt Church.

Mass for New Years  
Day 2014:

We encourage all parishioners to begin 2014 by joining at our First Mass of the New Year on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> January at 10.00a.m. praying for world peace and the intentions of Pope Francis.

One in the  
Sacrament of  
Marriage:

Congratulations to Graham Carolan & Sandra Eogan, Emma Smith & John McManus, Elaine McDermott & Alan O'Reilly on their recent weddings. Couples intending to marry in the Diocese of Meath must complete an ACCORD pre marriage workshop.

Christmas Day  
Offering Day:  
New Year  
Greetings:

Thank You for your Christmas Offerings in support of your Priests on which they depend.

Pope Francis World  
Day for Peace:

Wishing all Parishioners at home and abroad every health and blessing for them and their families throughout the coming New Year. "Fraternity as the foundation of peace and as the pathway to peace" is the title chosen by Pope Francis for his first message for the 47th World Day for Peace, which will be celebrated on 1 January 2014. The document, consists of ten points, including a brief prologue and a conclusion, structured in relation to two biblical quotations: "Where is your brother?" (Genesis 4:9) and "And you will all be brothers" (Matthew 23:8), and six phrases describing attributes of fraternity: "Fraternity, the foundation and pathway to peace", "Fraternity, a prerequisite for fighting poverty", "The rediscovery of fraternity in the economy", "Fraternity extinguishes war", "Corruption and organized crime threaten fraternity" and "Fraternity helps to preserve and cultivate nature".

Parish Pilgrimage  
2014:

Our Parish Pilgrimage 2014 from September 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> in the footsteps of Blessed Pope John XXIII. Cost €995 plus taxes. Bookings with MAP Travel at 01 8783111.

**HOLY LAND  
PILGRIMAGE  
2014:**

Fr. Gerry will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 27<sup>th</sup> – November 3<sup>rd</sup> during the school midterm break. It is the experience of a lifetime. Bookings with MAP Travel at 01 8783111, email [patricia@maptravel.ie](mailto:patricia@maptravel.ie). Enquiries to Fr. Gerry. Cost € plus taxes

This week's collection: Plate: €1610 Many thanks. Development Target €1850 Received €2950  
Christmas Day Plate: €3620.

**THE MASS COLLECTION ON THIS SUNDAY IS FOR ACCORD. PLEASE SUPPORT**

**Community Notices:** Band Bingo & Lotto resumes on Jan 2nd: Fitness Classes in The Community Centre, Call 087 911436. Carrickmacross Scouts Fundraising today from 1.30p.m. Call 086 8335313. M&F thank all involved in Movember realising €6000 for the Irish Cancer Society & Kingscourt Cancer Care. Muff School Enrolment from January 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> 2014.

**Diary for January**

1<sup>st</sup> January: Special Mass for Peace in Kingscourt at 10a.m. to mark the New Year.

2<sup>nd</sup> January: Parish Baptismal Team meeting at 8p.m. in Parish Centre.

6<sup>th</sup> January: Feast of the Epiphany. Masses at 10a.m. & 7p.m. in Kingscourt.

12<sup>th</sup> January Social Services Christmas Dinner at The Castle.

16<sup>th</sup> January: Parish Pastoral Planning meeting

19<sup>th</sup> January: Remembering our Emigrants.

22<sup>nd</sup> January; Annual Service at the Church of the Immaculate Conception to mark the Week of Special Prayer for Christian Unity

26<sup>th</sup> January: Catholic Schools Week 2014

**THANKS**

A very sincere word of grateful thanks to all involved in so many aspects of parish life and ministry during the past year. Thanks to Parish Staff and volunteers, Parish Finance Committee, Pastoral Planning, the co-ordinators and Ministers of the Word and Holy Communion, Youth Readers, all choirs, musicians, organists, cantors, stewards, counters, collectors members of the Parish Baptismal teams, the Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Team, Funeral Stewards, the Adoration Committee, members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society, Pioneers, Parish Safeguarding Team, our Sacristans, servers, those who prepare and clean our Churches and prepare the flowers and linens. A sincere word of thanks to all who prepared and decorated the Churches for Christmas and throughout the year. We are indebted to you all. You do a truly wonderful job quietly behind the scenes. Thank You to the Chairpersons and the volunteer members of the Boards of Management of our four Catholic Schools who give of their time and expertise in the development of our schools. I commend all involved in the many voluntary, cultural and sporting groups within the community for their leadership and generous spirit. Thanks to one and all.

We are blessed to live within this Parish Community which has a great spirit of co-operation and goodwill heeding the Christian message that every human person is of value and that every good action allows the light of Christ to shine through us. God indeed delights in all his people.

The year ahead will continue to bring challenges of different kinds to every home and family in our parish. May our homes and lives continue to be touched by simple kindness, inspired by wisdom, graced with understanding and kept safe from all harm.

I wish you all a truly blessed New Year.

*Fr. Gerry*

