

# Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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<p>16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> May  Vigil 6p.m.: Thomas McCabe Anniv.  Muff Vigil: 7.30p.m. Julia McMahon, Anniv.  Corlea 9a.m. Jim, Catherine &amp; Pat O'Meara Anniv  10.30a.m. Marian &amp; Niall O'Halloran Anniv.  12noon Sean Smith Anniv.</p>	<p>23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> May  Vigil 6p.m.: Sean Forkan Anniv.  Muff Vigil: 7.30p.m. Patsy Gargan Anniv.  Corlea 9a.m. Dec members of the McConnon Family.  10.30a.m. Maggie Carolan, Months Memory  12noon James Campbell, Months Memory  3p.m. Celebration of Confirmation.</p>
<p>Tuesday: 10a.m. Mass for all who sympathised with Sean and Evelyn O'Reilly on Sean's recent death.  Wednesday: 10a.m. Special Intention.</p>	<p>Thursday: 10a.m Hugh, Kathleen &amp; Hugh Calliff, Anniv  Friday: 10a.m Morning Service</p>

**Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord:** Ada Tomlinson, London. Anna McKenna Meegan, Carrickmacross, Dettie Nulty, Meathhill.

**One in the Sacrament of Marriage:** Couples intending marriage in the Diocese of Meath must complete an ACCORD pre marriage workshop, visit [www.accord.ie](http://www.accord.ie). Further information on registration from [www.crsappointments.ie](http://www.crsappointments.ie) The following are the dates for the Navan ACCORD Centre for 2015. June 19<sup>th</sup> / 20<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup>, September 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>, October 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>, December 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>

**Reborn through Baptism & The Holy Spirit:** The next baptism preparation meeting is on Thursday 4<sup>TH</sup> June 2015 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.

**Adoration:** Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues from after Mass each Tuesday in the Parish Centre. We are asking parishioners to consider giving even half an hour for quiet prayer and reflection before the Blessed Sacrament this Eastertide. Please pray for Vocations.

**First Holy Communion:** Congratulations to James Cash, Katie Rose Clarke, Ciaran Cooney O'Reilly, Darragh Farrelly, Meghan Hurt, Noah McCormack, Alana McElroy, John McKeon, Michael McKeon, Peter O'Reilly, Sarah Reilly and Nakita Rock from Laragh Muff N.S., who celebrated their First Holy Communion this weekend. Thank you to their teachers, parents and all involved in preparation for this great faith occasion in their young lives.

**Confirmation 2015:** Bishop Michael concludes the ceremonies of Confirmation in our parish on Sunday next at 3p.m. We ask all the pupils and their sponsors to be seated by 2.40p.m. Confirmation rehearsals on Monday and Tuesday at 11.15a.m.

**Holy Land 2015:** Meath Pilgrimage to the Holy Land from September 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> 2015. Bookings with MAP Travel at 36. Upper O'Connell Street, Dublin 1 at 01 8783111. Cost is €1250 plus taxes. Pope Francis has recently encouraged all Catholics to visit the Holy Land because "everything started there and is a glimpse of what awaits us in the afterlife – heaven on earth."

**Easter Dues:** Next weekend is an Offering Day in support of your Priests.  
**Trocaire:** Thanks to all who supported the Lenten Trocaire Campaign realising €7,900 from the parish. Your generosity is phenomenal.

**Altar Servers:** Altar Serving is an important ministry in the Church and is greatly valued in our parish. We would welcome new members to join our existing teams. A meeting for the current teams, prospective servers and their parents take place in The Parish Centre on this Monday evening at 7.30p.m.

**Ministers of Holy Communion:** We are currently seeking additional parishioners to consider serving as Ministers of Holy Communion in Kingscourt. Please contact Emma Rooney at 087 2153793 or Fr. Gerry by May 22<sup>nd</sup> next.

This week's collection: **Plate: €1275** Many thanks. **Development Target €2000** Received **€2450**

**Community Notices:** The Irish Blood Transfusion Service will be in Kingscourt Community Centre on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 4.30p.m. – 8.30p.m. Monster Auction in aid of St. Vincent de Paul in Carrickmacross on May 31<sup>st</sup>. If you have items to auction, please contact 086 0680933 or 087 2223406.

May Dates:

17<sup>TH</sup> May: Annual Exam Mass for students and families at 12noon.

18<sup>th</sup> May: The Parish Child Safeguarding Committee will meet with the parents of the current Altar Servers and prospective Altar Servers in The Parish Centre at 7.30p.m.

Rosary for the Month of May on each Monday at 7.00p.m. at The Fatima Grotto.

23<sup>rd</sup> May: Kingscourt Stars GAA present D - Kube! at 8p.m.

24<sup>th</sup> May: Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation at 3p.m.

25<sup>th</sup> May – 29<sup>th</sup> May: Annual Meath Diocesan Retreat.

**MARRIAGE IS IMPORTANT:BE INFORMED BEFORE YOU  
VOTE.**

**The choice we are asked to make in the Marriage Referendum on Friday next is a decision that only the people can make. The Constitution belongs to the people of Ireland. As the Referendum Commission states “a referendum gives Irish Citizens the opportunity to make a decision for their country”. You are encouraged to exercise your democratic right to vote on Friday.**

**There have been many words spoken and opinions expressed over recent weeks. The decision before the people touches on a matter that goes to the very heart of the Constitution. Now it is your turn to ensure that your voice is heard. Please reflect carefully about the choice you will make and pray for guidance as you undertake your civic duty.**

**+Michael Smith, Bishop of Meath**