

Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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21 st /22 nd Nov Facebook & Webcam
Saturday 6pm: Kathleen Sullivan, First
Anniversary.
11.00a.m: James & Nellie McKeon, Anniv.
Patricia Finnegan, Anniv, Paddy & Peig
O'Shaughnessy, Anniv. Hugh, Claire, Pat, Nancy
& Jim O'Reilly, Anniv.
Thursday 10am: Altar List of the Dead.
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The Parish Office

THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN ON MONDAY and TUESDAY of this week FROM_10.30AM TO 12.30PM. All bookings and enquiries can be made during these times. All notices to be included in the bulletin should be at The Parish Office by 10.00a.m. on Thursday

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord:

Annie Tierney, Copponagh, Chris Crosby, Cabra Woods, Mgr. Paddy Gallagher, Ballina, Frank Burke, Bettystown.

Reborn through
Baptism & The Holy
Spirit:

Baptisms take place on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month at 4p.m. in Kingscourt Church. The next baptism preparation meeting is on Thursday 3rd December 2020 at 8p.m. in The Parish Centre, with Team D. Please note ALL BAPTISMS TAKE PLACE IN Kingscourt.

One in the Sacrament of Marriage:

Couples intending marriage in the Diocese of Meath during 2020/2021 must complete an ACCORD pre marriage workshop, www.accord.ie. The final 2020 Date for the Navan ACCORD Centre is December 4th/5th EARLY BOOKING IS ADVISABLE at www.accord.ie For the civil registration of marriages, please visit www.crsappointments.ie

Current Restrictions:

It is regrettable that religious practice was not considered important for the country in this current Level 5 lockdown. In the churches of our parish and indeed every parish we have taken every care to make our public liturgies safe, with sanitising of all surfaces between Masses with our very dedicated Covid 19 teams, social distancing, wearing of face coverings, designated exits and entrances. Our churches are so well ventilated, with very high ceilings, and large doorways. There is no evidence-based justification of clusters being associated with church attendances.

Faith and religious practice are part of our human condition and add greatly to the wellbeing of people at every level and indeed society

at large, giving great encouragement, hope and assurance. They can provide great consolation for families and individuals. Coming to Mass, celebrating the Sacraments, receiving Holy Communion, and praying as a faith community could help all of us to face the pandemic as a people and a nation. Bishop Tom has expressed concern about the movement of religious observance to a virtual platform. No other country in Europe currently has stopped public worship and these include countries with much higher infection rates. He remarks that the restrictions are among the most stringent in the world. These restrictions are particularly felt, difficult and poignant especially for families who experience bereavement and loss Let us pray that we can commence our public prayer very soon.

November Offerings:

Thank you for your continued financial support of your priests at this difficult time for individuals and families. Your support in so many ways is deeply appreciated.

Holy Hour:

Please continue to join us on Tuesday evenings of November for an hour of prayer, reflection, music, rosary, Adoration and quiet prayer from 7.30p.m, on webcam

Dun an Ri High 5:

Our parish continues a little initiative which we acknowledge from the LiveLine show with Joe Duffy. We are calling on individuals or business people to consider sponsoring 5 small gifts or vouchers - €10 per voucher/gift totally €50 − which we will acknowledge to the sponsor. We will leave these gifts or voucher from collection in Kingscourt Church after Sunday mass. We ask parishioners to take one gift, not for themselves but for a neighbour or friend, dropping it at their home, respecting and cognisant of current guidelines. The recipient might send us a picture to social media. This small initiative reminds us that we are a people, parish and church community, called to be full of positivity, confidence and optimism. Thanks for the great response! Thank to <u>David McNally of McNallys365 chemist</u> for this week's vouchers.

Happy Retirement:

Good wishes to former President of INTO Rosena Jordan who recently retired from her teaching career. We thank Rosena very sincerely for her generous years of service especially in this parish, to the pupils and families who were entrusted to her care and the wider education community.

Christmas Cards 2020:

It has been a year like no other! Our need to connect with family and relations especially this Christmas will be so important. A limited number of Kingscourt Christmas Cards are available from The Parish Office and at The Parish Repository. Cost is 6 for €5. Send someone a little bit of home!