

Kingscourt Parish Bulletin



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<p>22nd/23rd June Saturday 6pm: Seán Ward, First Anniversary. Corlea 9am: Eamonn Donnery, First Anniversary. 10.30am: Paddy & Tommy McGuinness & deceased family, Anniv. Philomena, Johnny & Marie Rooney, Anniv. Nancy & Paddy Clarke, Anniv. Bríg O'Reilly, Anniv. Katie & Ann Pierce, Anniv. Carmel Finnegan & deceased family, Anniv. 12 Noon: Benny McCabe, Months Memory.</p>	<p>29th/30th June Saturday 6pm: James, May & Eugene Tully & deceased family, Anniv. Corlea 9am: Mass 10.30am: Eamon Hughes, Month Memory. 12 Noon: Special Intention.</p>
<p>Tuesday 10am: Prayer Service. Wednesday 10am: Andy & Eileen Clarke, Anniv.</p>	<p>Thursday 10am: Mass. Friday 10am: Special intention.</p>

<p>The Parish Office</p> <p>Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord:</p> <p>Reborn through Baptism & The Holy Spirit:</p> <p>One in the Sacrament of Marriage:</p> <p>Pope's Collection:</p> <p>Parish Finance Committee:</p> <p>Kingscourt Parish Pilgrimage 2024:</p> <p>Funeral Policy and Bereavement Support:</p>	<p>THE PARISH OFFICE IS OPEN ON <u>MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY</u> 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 <u>by 10.00a.m. on Thursday.</u></p> <p>Mae O'Sullivan, Borrisokane, Brigid Joyce, Castleconnell.</p> <p>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 4th July 2024 at 8p.m. in The Parish Centre, with Team D. Please note ALL BAPTISMS TAKE PLACE IN Kingscourt.</p> <p>Congratulations to Katherine O'Mahony and Adrian Murphy on their recent marriage. Couples intending marriage in the Diocese of Meath during 2024 must complete an ACCORD pre marriage workshop, www.accord.ie. The 2024 Dates for the Navan ACCORD Centre are 5th/6th July, 20th/21st September, 11th/12th October, 3rd & 10th November. Early booking essential.</p> <p>The Mass Collection on next Sunday is to support Pope Francis and his care for the poor and marginalised. Your support would be really appreciated.</p> <p>The Parish Finance Committee meet on Thursday at 8.30p.m. in the Parish House.</p> <p>Kingscourt Parish Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Montserrat takes place from for seven nights from September 24th - October 1st, in the four-star Sumus Stella Hotel and Spa on the seashore of Pineda del Mar in North Eastern Spain. The cost is €1180pps. The cost is inclusive of daytime return flights, transfers, 20kg checked baggage with priority boarding, seat allocation, half board, three full day tours, an escorted walking tour, tour manager, and all religious services. <u>Booking with Navan Travel at 046 9068600.</u> Only two remaining places now available!</p> <p>At a recent meeting of the Parish Pastoral Planning team there was much discussion on death, loss, and bereavement. It was acknowledged that the parish is proactive in bereavement support and commended the excellent work of the Bethany Bereavement Support Team. It was also acknowledged that our priests and parish facilitate bereaved families at every level, with all arrangements, preparation of the funeral Mass, prayers, visits to family homes/funeral home, evening removals as requested, and collaboration with the funeral directors. With an ageing priest cohort, parish schedules, commitments, and an ever-increasing</p>
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Parish Consultation:

workload, it was decided that the day and date of a funeral Mass may not be presumed by families and will now be dependent on both the schedule and availability of the priest of the parish at a given time. All funeral Masses in this parish are celebrated at 10a.m., except Sundays, when they take place at 12noon. Your understanding and kind cooperation is deeply appreciated.

Kells Deanery Meeting and Parish Consultation:

The bishop recently met with the priests and chairpersons of each parish in the Kells deanery. This deanery consists of the parishes of Kingscourt, Carnaross, Drumconrath/Meath Hill, Kells, Nobber, Kilbeg, Kilskyre, Moynalty, Lobinstown and Rathkenny.

There are 20 churches in the deanery, with 8 weekday Masses, 12 Vigil Masses and 22 Sunday Masses currently served by 10 priests, one of whom is on loan to the diocese and can be recalled at any time. There are No priests under 45, with 2 priests under 55, one of whom is on loan from Africa and can be recalled at any time, 4 under 65 and 4 over 75.

There are 16 primary schools with 1778 pupils and 4 secondary schools with 1973 pupils.

Your response to the following is earnestly requested.

1. The Diocese of Meath is requesting that each parish, including Kingscourt, formally *identify a grouping of parishes* within the diocese and from the above parishes, of not less than four, and to a maximum of six which could work collaboratively in an amalgamation of parishes to be possibly served by no more than two priests.
2. The parish and people of Kingscourt is to identify what resources and responsibilities, administrative duties, formation programmes, etc, these parishes could collaborate on in an amalgamation of parishes. Parishes with their parishioners *must identify a reduction in their current weekend Mass schedule* to accommodate the new reality of amalgamation.
3. The Diocese of Meath is requesting all suggestions, comments, and observations which could help with this process.

Each parish is encouraged to participate fully with this process. It is paramount that every parishioner take time to reflect and engage with this consultation. You are requested to return your proposals, suggestions, reflections, feedback and observations on each of the three sections to *The Kingscourt Parish Pastoral Planning Team, The Parish Office, Kingscourt by Sunday 30th June.* All materials must be signed with your name, address, and contact numbers. Any responses received anonymously cannot be considered. All the responses will then be collated as our collective parish response and forwarded to the bishop for his deliberation and future decisions.

Your engagement with this very important process, which will affect every parish, and have immense implications and reverberation for all of us, people, priest, and parish, is sincerely and earnestly requested.

Plate €1896

Development Fund €1695

Many thanks!

Supporting the parish:

Community Notices:

New Mums Group meet in The Parish Centre on Tuesday at 10a.m. Kingscourt Breast Cancer Support Group meet in The Parish Centre on Wednesday at 7.30p.m.

