

KILQUADE PARISH NEWSLETTER

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B: 2nd September 2018



**St. Patrick's
Kilquade**



**St. Joseph's
Newtown**



**St. Anthony's
Kilcoole**

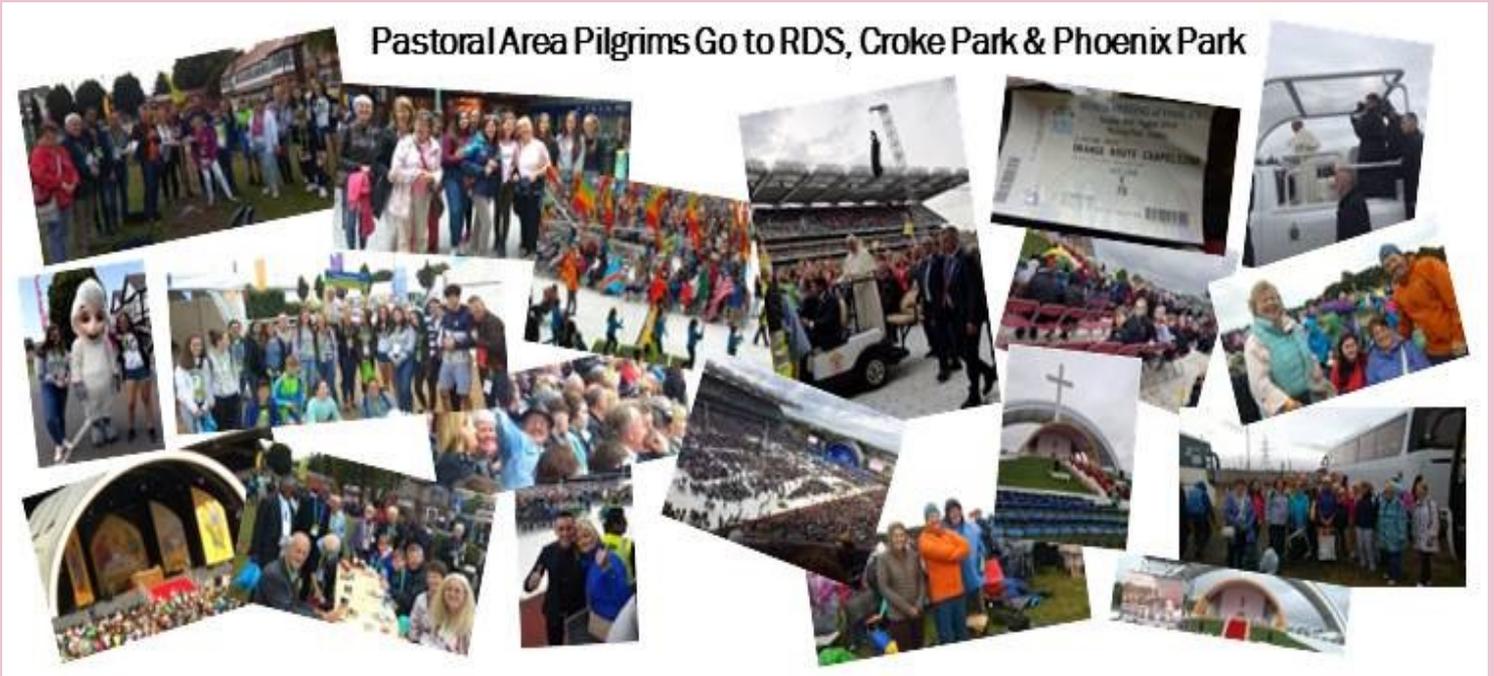


**Carmelite Church
Delgany**



**Holy Spirit Oratory
Newcastle**

Pastoral Area Pilgrims Go to RDS, Croke Park & Phoenix Park



A WEEK OF WONDERFUL AND MEMORABLE MOMENTS!

We prepared ourselves in many different ways for the adventures that came our way last week. Pilgrims from the pastoral area attended the programme together in the RDS on Wednesday and on Thursday a group of 21 youth attended. Each afternoon we came together for the Mass in the Arena.

Saturday night was so special, with the arrival Pope Francis to the applause and cheers of many thousands... including 40 of us from our pastoral area! It was a late night on Sat with an early start of 7am on Sunday for the hardy pilgrims in the 6 buses from the pastoral area as we set off to the Phoenix Park. The rain came down but the spirits were high. With endless supplies of sandwiches and coffee we awaited patiently, then waved at Pope Francis in the distance and at 3pm, joined the many thousands singing "A Joy For All The Earth" and it certainly was a joy – an absolute joy for us all to celebrate the Eucharist with such a wide and varied Faith Family both present in the Park or connected through technology. Now, let us build on this.... and look forward to the opportunities that we unfold together!

PHOTOGRAPHIC ACCOUNT OF THE WEEK:

If you have a photo of any of the WMOF events in the pastoral area or in Dublin from Sunday 19th to 26th Aug and would like to share with us, please send them through to communicationsgroup@greystonesparish.ie as we will create a record of this historic week on our parish website. Remember, to check with those in the photos that you can send it on to us!
(The Pope himself won't mind!)



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 7pm Vigil: St. Joseph's: Newtown
 Sat 8pm Vigil: Holy Spirit Oratory: Newcastle

Sun. 8.30am: St. Joseph's: Newtown
 Sun. 9.30am: Carmelite Monastery: Delgany
 Sun. 10.30am: St. Anthony's: Kilcoole
 Sun. 11.30am: St. Joseph's: Newtown
 Sun. 12 noon: St. Patrick's: Kilquade
 Sun. 6.30pm: St. Anthony's Kilcoole

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WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are a new parishioner or just visiting Kilquade you are very welcome and we, the existing community, hope you feel at home. Our parish incorporates the villages of Kilquade, Kilcoole, Kilpedder, Newcastle, Newtownmountkennedy, Delgany and the surrounding countryside. If you are new to the parish please make yourself known to one of the priests of the parish. Be sure to visit our parish website www.kilquadeparish.ie.

HOSPITAL & HOME VISITATION: If you know of a parishioner who is sick and would like a visit please don't hesitate to contact one of the priests or the parish office.

KILQUADE PARISH OFFICE: The parish office is situated behind St. Patrick's church in Kilquade. The parish office is open Monday to Thursday from 10am to 1pm. Our parish secretary Una Kennedy will help you with any enquiries at 01-2819658

PREPARATION FOR BAPTISM: Our new approach to preparation for the Sacrament of Baptism here in the pastoral area of the parishes of Greystones and Kilquade is now well in place. The purpose of the preparation programme is to support parents in reflecting on the significant step they are taking in bringing their child to be baptised into the Christian Community. A new element in the programme is the Welcoming Ceremony. This is a way of bringing the celebration of baptism into the community. Within it we will introduce the children to the Christian community to which they will belong and become a part of, as they grow in their faith. Parents will present their child to the community. The child will also be anointed on the heart at this time. Baptisms take place on different weekends in St. Joseph's, Newtown, St. Patrick's, Kilquade and St. Anthony's, Kilcoole. **Registration for Baptism and the preparation programme is managed by the parish office at 01 2819658.**

BAPTISMS: We welcome babies **Max, Bonnie, Lacey, Emma, Noah & Aron** who are being baptised into our Christian community this weekend. We pray that they will grow in awareness of God's loving presence in his life.

WEDDINGS BELLS: Congratulations to **Denise Frawley & Justin Daly, Niamh O' Sullivan & David Doran, Jossa Hunt-Tyrrell & Seamus Miochain, Danielle Hogan & David Evans** who were recently married in St. Patrick's Church, Kilquade. May the Lord help to deepen their love for one another in the years ahead.

REST IN PEACE: We pray for the repose of the souls of **Sheila Conway Newtownmountkennedy, and Terry (Terence) Kavanagh Roundwood** who's Requiem Mass were celebrated in St. Joseph's, Newtown on Tuesday 28th August & Wednesday 29th August. We offer our sympathy to their families & friends. May they rest in peace.



Hear Me and Understand

* He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." Mk 7:14-15

GOSPEL REFLECTION: Judgment tends to have a bad reputation. We often associate it with condemnation, and in the Gospels, we associate it with the Pharisees. Today's Gospel features the Pharisees doing exactly what we expect. "They observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands." The Jewish people had strict purification laws that applied to all areas of life. The Pharisees attempt to accuse Jesus of not following the ancestral traditions. Jesus doesn't take offense at their judgments per se. He instead points out the hypocrisy of their words. "You hypocrites? This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."

From there, Jesus turns his attention to the concerns of the heart. "The things that come from within are what defile." He lists off a number of sins, including some the Pharisees were likely struggling with, including evil thoughts, envy, and arrogance. When we examine the list, perhaps we're reminded of our own trips to the confessional! As we strive to follow Jesus and live with integrity, we must be aware of our hearts. We must judge our own actions. Are they leading us closer to God or away from Him? Are we growing in love of our neighbour, or are we becoming more closed in on ourselves?

As we move into this week, consider the state of our own heart. Perhaps you are overly scrupulous in less important areas. Perhaps there are large areas of overlooked sin that you've excused for too long. Whatever it is, the judgment of God need not cripple us. He offers us a share in His mercy as soon as we turn to Him. This week, allow your heart to be transformed!



MASS PATH WALK:

On **Sunday 9th September** we have a guided walk led by a local historian of the old Mass Path from Kilcoole to St. Patrick's church, Kilquade. We will leave from the front of St. Anthony's at 10.30am and

conclude our guided walk with Mass in St. Patrick's, Kilquade. It is a great opportunity to remember and relive the traditions of earlier days. It is part of our 50th celebrations for St. Anthony's church. All welcome.

SCRIPTURE READING: Each week we suggest a piece of Scripture to use in your prayer. Light a candle and read slowly the passage, re-read it a couple of times and reflect on it and listen to what God is saying to you. **This week's passage is Mk 7:31-37**

BECOMING A CATHOLIC?: Are you or someone you know interested in finding out more about the Christian Faith and the Catholic Church. If so please contact Fr. John after Mass or make enquiries to the Parish Office. We will begin our preparation for **Adults** wishing to be baptised or indeed make their 1st Communion or be Confirmed in the Catholic Faith at the Easter Vigil next Easter soon.

REGISTRATION FOR PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION OR CONFIRMATION IN 2019:

Participation in the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation require preparation on behalf of the person and their families. We provide a preparation programme aimed at the parents of children who are eligible to receive these Sacraments in 2019. Registration for the preparation programme is now open on our website and closes on the 30th of September 2018. If you have a child entering either 2nd or 6th class in school this September then please register for the preparation programme during this coming week



FULLFILLING LEGAL OBLIGATION:

Fr John together with the Parish Child Safeguarding representatives wish to remind all in Public Ministry of our legal responsibility to ensure that each person who has a role in the running of our Parish is Garda vetted. We need to play an active role in ensuring that we create a safe place for children, young people and vulnerable adults in our Parish in line with best practice **and** fulfil our obligation to the State by adhering to the law. It is a Diocesan requirement to be Garda vetted every three years.

A large number of people in Parish Public Ministry have completed the Garda vetting process however there are some people who have yet to complete it. We are now asking for those to come forward to be Garda vetted. Please contact the Parish office or the Sacristans to obtain a form to apply to be vetted. The forms must be returned with two forms of identification by the end of August.

Anyone new coming on board to help in the Parish must go through the vetting process prior to taking up their role. People who are currently in role who have not undertaken the process will have to stand aside until they have been Garda vetting to ensure we as a Parish fulfil our legal obligation.

We thank you for your cooperation and continued support in the Parish. Fr John Daly, Máire Ní Shiodhail, Frances Stephenson

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK: Annual Legion of Mary Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine Sunday 30th September. Cost €25. Bookings to Mavis on 0862044930



POPE'S SKODA GIFTED TO CROSSCARE:

The blue Skoda Rapid used by Pope Francis during his historic trip to Ireland is to be used to help homeless families. It will be used by Crosscare staff based in the agency's Mater Dei homeless hub. Each week, Crosscare staff assist homeless families at the hub move on from this temporary facility to more secure, long-term accommodation. Since it opened, 100 families have moved through the temporary system, facilitated by Crosscare workers in their homeless services. The blue Skoda Rapid used by the Pontiff will be used by Crosscare staff to take families who are moving on to view their next accommodation.