

As we are now in Level 3 Restrictions.

Ballon Mass

will be available on our webcam: mcnmedia.ballon.

Also available on radio 107.6FM

Sat 17th Ballon 6.00pm	Tom Nolan, Boggan
Sunday 18th Ballon 11.30am	Joe Smithers, Rathrush Pauline Byrne, Kilcoole
Tue 20th Ballon 10.00am	Ballon & Rathoe schools will be tuning into this Mass for start of school year.
Wed 21st Ballon 10.00am	
Thurs 22nd Ballon 10.00am	
Fri 23rd Ballon 7.00pm	
Sat 24th Ballon 6.00pm	
Sunday 25th Ballon 11.30am	

Collections 11th Oct. Offertory:€222.15. Envelopes:€1043.50
Thanks to everyone for your continued generosity to the Parish.

Mission Sunday 18th October 2020: Overseas missionaries are in crisis. Please use the envelope in your box or spare envelopes in both churches. You can also donate €4 by text "Mission" to 50300 from which World Missions Ireland will receive €3.60.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People: ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

Ballon GFC Lotto. No Winner. No's 12- 19 -20 - 27. Lucky Dip Winners €25: Nicole Gaul, c/o Noel Nolan, Mary Gittens, Ballylean, Tom Murphy, Snr., Wexford, Brian Sheehan, Lisgarvan. . Next wk's Jackpot €4,700. Draw Mon 12th Oct in Fr. Flood Hse at 9pm. Tks €2.

Ballon Business & Training. 059-9159447

Cook & Chatter Tues 20th Oct @ 10am €10. QQI Level 3 Internet Skills Wed 21st Oct €30 refundable deposit, 10 weeks, free course. QQI Level 4 Customer Service dates to follow. Now booking. €30 refundable deposit, 13 weeks, free course. 2021 diaries and calendars now on sale! Personalised Christmas cards starting at €2!

Zoom Family Rosary: In this month of October the 'Zoom Family Rosary' is an online meeting place where families from Ireland and other parts of the world can pray the Rosary together, using mobile phones, tablets, laptops and desktop computers. Download the Zoom app and sign up for free. Once you are signed up click on the link: <http://bit.ly/ZoomFamilyRosary> which will bring you to a web page where you can register. Once registered, you will receive a return email with a clickable link to 'Join'. This link will bring you to the 'Zoom Family Rosary'. Use this link each Saturday to join in the online Rosary

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Open Tues, Wed & Thurs 10am -1pm

Items for the newsletter must be in by 5 pm each Wed, they can be phoned in, emailed or put through the letter box.

Fr. Jim O'Connell 086 810 2675/ 059-910 7096

Cuchulainn Rounders: Our AGM was held on the 4th of October & brought a close to a very challenging 2020 season. The club would like to thank Marion Doyle, Jacqui Walsh Gorman & Cairiona Dowling for all their hard work over the previous years. Also thank you to Matty Dowling for his work as Chairperson. The club hope that our juvenile structure can return for 2021 & reflect the success of previous years. Thank you to all our sponsors who have helped us to keep the club running this year & a special mention to Michael McAsseys, our main sponsor, who is always on hand to help. Elected Officers: Chairperson - Billy Connors Secretary - Carmel Moloney Registrar - Vanessa Dowling PRO - Ann Marie Brennan & Jade Whelan Treasurer - Una Kelly Youth Officer - Vanessa Dowling ASAP - Sinead Abbey Committee Members - Fintan Kelly & Matty Dowling.

Congratulations to Mary Flynn C/O McAsseys winning €43 in this weeks Split the Pot Draw. Our next draw is the 21st of Oct. Envelops available from Michael McAsseys, Siopa Glas & any committee member. Thanks to everyone for their support.

We have always done it this Way !

Paul Dempsey who was born in Carlow said at his instillation as Bishop of Achonry on 30th August 2020, towards the end of the ceremony. "My vision, my hope, my dream is that we the people, priests, religious and bishop, listen to that call of Jesus "put out into the deep", let's not be prisoners of mediocrity, but agents of hope, going out into the deep, the uncharted waters with, as Pope Francis put it, "The Joy of the Gospel" Let us not be held back by the voices that say; "we have always done it this way" "The disciples would still be sitting at the shoreline with empty nets if they listened to that voice!"

"*She knows now.*" A mother ran into the bedroom when she heard her seven-year-old son scream. She found his two-year-old sister pulling his hair. She gently released the little girl's grip and said comfortingly to the boy, "There, there. She didn't mean it. She doesn't know that hurts." He nodded his acknowledgement, and she left the room. As she started down the hall the little girl screamed. Rushing back in, she asked, "What happened?" The little boy replied, "She knows now."



"And this one has it's own built-in microphone, my Lord"