

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sat 13th Ballon 6.00pm	Brigid Abbey, Lisgarvan
Sun 14th Rathoe 10.00am	David Kennedy Snr, Gilbertstown & deceased members of the Kennedy Family Mick Brophy, Kilcool, 2nd Anniversary
Sun 14th Ballon 11.30am	
Tues 16th Ballon 7.30pm	
Wed 17th Rathoe 10.00am	
Thurs 18th Ballon 10.00am	
Fri 19th Rathoe 7.30pm	
Sat 20th 11.00am Ballon	First Holy Communion
Sat 20th Ballon 6.00pm	
Sun 21st Rathoe 10.00am	Thomas O'Halloran, Grangeford & Julie O'Dwyer, Manchester Pat Bermingham, Jnr, Ballynunnery & Grandparents Paddy & Mary Kate, Bendenstown
Sun 21st Ballon 11.30am	

Collections 7/05/2023: Offertory €775.10. Envelopes €991.55
Thank you for your continued support .

Graiguecullen Bingo on Tuesday 16th May St.Fiacs Hall @ 8.30pm. Over €13,000 in PRIZEMONEY Jackpot on 50 numbers €7720 Double number €810 Lotto €1650

Ballon Business & Training Service P: 059 9159447 / email ballonbts@gmail.com . . **CRAFT/HOBBY COURSES. Yoga Course** - Friday 12th May, 7.30am to 8.15am x 5 weeks. **Perimenopause/ Menopause 1 Day Workshops** - Sat 13th May, 2pm to 5pm
Digital Skills - Tues 16th May, 10am to 12.30pm x 5 weeks (*Tablets provided for use during class). **Art Classes** - Wed 17th May, 2pm to 4pm, x 6 weeks (*Art pack provided for new participants)
Sewing Course - Monday 22nd May, 9.30am to 12.30pm x 4 weeks
Pottery & Prosecco - Saturday 27th May, 7pm to 10pm x 1 evening
Perimenopause/Menopause 1 Day Workshops - Sat 17th June, 2pm to 5pm
Pilates - Monday 26th June, 6.15pm to 7.15pm X 3 weeks
Manual Handling Training - 7th June, 2pm & 6pm
Creative Writing - Poetry & Prose, Fri 8th September, 10am to 12.30pm x 5 weeks (*Caligraphy set provided for new participants)
CERTIFIED COURSES QQI Level 5 Book-keeping Wed 4th September, 7pm - 10pm x 10 weeks . **QQI Level 5** Payroll Thurs 7th September, 7pm - 10pm x 10 weeks. **PHECC First Aid Responder & 1st Aid Training** - 3 Day course contact office for dates
*TSG finding available for these certified courses on some department of social protection payments. **Children's Workshops**
Children's Creative Pottery Workshop - Sat 27th May, 2pm to 5pm
Polly's Mini Creative Moments & Kids Yoga - Mon 10th & Tues 11th July, 10.30am to 12.30pm. **Bricks for Kidz** - Camp 8th to 11th August, 10am to 1pm. **Personalised Labels**—15 personalised round labels per sheet. Ideal for communion, confirmation, baptism, weddings, birthdays & more. **Children's Activity Packs**—Personalised 13 page activity booklet with colouring pencils.

Dawn Chorus in Altamont Gardens on Sun 21st May at 4.30am lead by Éanna Ní Lamhna. Limited tickets available at altamontgardens@opw.ie.

Ballon GFC Lotto. No Winner. No's 02- 05 -09 - 11

Match Three Winners -€50 each: Michael Dawson, Maple Lawn, Eoghan Murphy, The Oaks. Next week's Jackpot €3,900. Next Draw Mon 15th May 2023 in Fr. Flood House at 9pm. Tickets €2.

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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.

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Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

in St Clare's Church, Graiguecullen, Carlow

GUEST SPEAKER for this Monday 15th May at 7.30pm is:

Fr Vincent Sherlock PP Parish Priest of Tubbercurry, Co Sligo & Internet Blogger

Rathoe Retirement Group: will recommence their meetings on **Wed 24th May at 2.30pm** in Rathoe Hall. New members welcome. **Altamont Trad Session** on Wed 17th May at 2pm. Located in the new orchard Garden.. Everyone welcome.

Burrin Celtic Lotto: No's 11---14---23---30. no winner: €100-- Harry Nolan, Cunnaberry: €20-Heather Zerafa, Ballon: €20---Teresa Nolan, Laragh: €20: Lisa Brennan, c/o Bingo. Next week's Jackpot: €4,650

Gift Ideas for First Holy Communion from Veritas. Choose from beautifully designed rosaries, to bibles, missals, prayer books, crosses, medals, watches and much more to make this sacramental occasion memorable and meaningful for the children and their families. This First Holy Communion season, SPEND €50 ON COMMUNION GIFTS AND GET A €10 VOUCHER on selected products until 31st May 2023. Browse the complete range of gifts on www.veritas.ie or visit your local Veritas store. Thank you!

Exam Mass. At Knock Shrine: For all students preparing for exams and their families. Take some time out from your studies for a quiet moment to ask for God's strength and guidance as you move through your exam period. Bing your pencil case to have it blessed. June 5th, 7.30pm, Knock Basilica. www.knockshrine.ie.

Mass on Radio from Ballon Is now back on air. 107.6fm



"You were in the confessional a long time, What have you been up to?"

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