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**Knockbridge:** The total Parish contributions (envelope & donations) for 19/07/20 amounted to €4,222.70

**Kilkerley:** The total Parish contributions (envelope & donations) for 19/07/20 amounted to €1,840.00

See on the last two columns of this newsletter about how you can contribute to the running costs of your parish.

**Ministers of the Eucharist Next Weekend**

**Kilkerley: (August)**

Mary McGeown & Cillian Quigley 1st

Eugene Callan & Larry Quigley 2nd

**Knockbridge:**

Anne Dorian & Teresa McEnteggart 1st

Cyrese Conroy & Frank Woods 2nd

### MASS TIMES

**Knockbridge: Weekdays: Wednesday & Friday 9.30am (except 1st Fri.)**

**Weekends: Saturday 7.30pm, Sunday 11.30am**

**Kilkerley: Weekdays: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30am ( 1st Fri. 7.30pm)**

**Weekends: Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 10.00am**

For those unable to attend Mass you can watch Mass via webcam. See details about [churchmedia.tv](http://churchmedia.tv) in this newsletter

#### **KILKERLEY: Anniversaries**

**Saturday 25th July 6.00pm :Brian & Jane McElroy and DFM**

**Sunday 26th July 10.00am :Jimmy Flynn MM**

**Tuesday 28th July 9.30am: Dec'd mems.of the Woods Family**

**Thursday 30th July 9.30am: John and Mary Quinn**

**Saturday 1st August 6.00pm: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Sunday 2nd August 10.00am: \_\_\_\_\_**

#### **KNOCKBRIDGE: Anniversaries**

**Saturday 25th July: 7.30pm** Rose McGeeney

**Sunday 26th July 11.30am:** Pat McArdle and Joan, Brigid & Tom McArdle

**Wed. 29th July 9.30am** Dec'd mems. of the Meegan Family and Tom McGahon

**Saturday 1st August 7.30pm:** Darren Callan M.M.

**Sunday 2nd August 11.30am:** Breda Ui Uallachain, Seán Clifford and Ciaran McKenna.

#### **Prayers for the recently Deceased:**

**Darren Callan, Drogheda & Knockbridge, Baby Tadhg McMahan, Carrickrobin, Kilkerley, Mary Kirk, Riverstown, Mary Agnew, Pearce Pk. May Lally, Mt., Avenue, Olive O'Connor, Laurel Brook Gardens, Sharon O'Hagan, formally of Ramparts, Rose Quinn, Cookstown, Co. Tyrone**

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#### **Ministers of the Word**

#### **Next Weekend (August)**

**Kilkerley:**

*Bernadette Mullen 1st*

*Bernard Mulholland 2nd*

**Knockbridge**

*Sinead Collins 1st*

*Seamus Kirk 2nd*

#### **Adoration of Our Lord**

#### **Jesus Christ: Would you**

#### **like to exercise your soul?**

*An invitation is extended to*

*those who would like to*

*spend an hour before Jesus in the*

*Blessed Sacrament on Mondays. 10am-*

*10pm in St. Mary's Church,*

*Knockbridge & the Church of the*

*Immaculate Conception, Kilkerley on*

*Fridays. from 6.30-7.30pm.*

*In the Blessed Sacrament you will find*

*romance, glory, honour, fidelity & the*

*true way of all your love upon the*

*earth. JRR Tolkien (author of Lord of the Rings)*



### 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 26/7/20

NEW PROTOCOLS WHEN ENTERING THE CHURCH BUILDING

• Please maintain physical distancing while outside the church.

• Please use hand sanitiser on entering and leaving the church.

• Please cooperate with the guidance of stewards on seating arrangements and traffic flow through the church.

• Please maintain physical distancing as indicated with floor markings on entering and leaving the church and when approaching for Holy Communion.

• Entrance to the church is by front entrance only.

• Only alternate pews can be used, please use the pews identified.

• On entering, the church seats will be filled from the front of the church backwards, to minimise cross traffic.

• On exiting the church seats will be vacated from the back forwards in an orderly manner, one side of an aisle at a time, to minimise cross traffic.

• Family units may occupy one seat as a group; otherwise the required physical distance applies in other identified seats.

• During weekday Mass only the pews either side of the centre aisle will be used.

• At weekend Mass only the pews on the ground floor will be used.

• When approaching for Holy Communion the celebrant, assisted by stewards, will provide guidance on the order of approach from the seats.

• For Holy Communion the celebrant and Eucharistic ministers will be stationed at 3 designated positions around the altar to maintain physical distancing and clear traffic flow.

• Weekly church envelopes will be placed in the designated collection basket inside the main entrance on arrival or departure.

• Please comply with national regulations on physical distancing, hand sanitising, cough etiquette & good hygiene standards while using church facilities.

**Resources for home.** Check out resources for individual and family prayer compiled by the Diocesan Pastoral Team. Go to ... [www.armaghprays.com](http://www.armaghprays.com)

### Stewards at Mass

Due to the new covid-19 guidelines, Stewards/Ushers will be present to guide you to your seat. ...please respect their instructions.

### Covid-19 Parish Support Team

We now have two teams, one for each parish. Part of their task is to ensure that the churches are cleaned regularly. The team have already cordoned off parts of the church to reduce the space that needs to be cleaned. In the interest of safety for all, please follow the instructions in & outside the church. Many thanks for the teams of volunteers....more are needed. If you are interested in joining this support team in your respective parish, please contact Fr. Gerry during this week.

**The Sacrament of Confirmation** will take place on Saturday 22nd August at 11.00am in St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge

#### **Confirmation Preparation Video's**

The Irish Bishop's Council for Catechetics are in the process of producing 3 videos to help prepare children for the sacrament of Confirmation this year. The first video is now released and is available on the diocesan website at <https://www.armagharchdiocese.org/confirmation-day/> and on the Armagh prays website at <https://www.armaghprays.com/confirmationvideo>. Please share this information with parents of pre-Confirmation children.

**Baptisms.** Individual Baptisms may now be celebrated under the following conditions: No more than six people present in the church building. Physical distancing and cleanliness requirements will be maintained at all times. For the purposes of contact tracing, a record of all six people present will be kept.

#### **Recent Baptisms (Kilkerley)**

We welcome into the Christian community Cathal Edward Mohan and Ava Kate O'Hanlon who were recently Baptised in the Church of the Immaculate Conception

**August First Thursday /First Friday sick calls** will take place on the following days:

**Knockbridge: Thursday 6th.**

**Kilkerley: Friday 7th**

If you have a family member or neighbour in either Kilkerley or Knockbridge who would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office and one of the parish clergy will visit him/her adhering to Government guidelines re: physical distancing, masks/visors and using hand sanitizers.

### Parish Collections in Church

Due to covid-19 there is no longer a parish collection at the offertory during Mass. However, you are welcome to place your contribution in a basket as you enter and exit the church...these will be supervised by stewards.

#### **Parish Collections: Alternatives**

#### **Supporting your Parish Online**

You still may wish to set up a standing order, or the Archdiocese has provided on the diocesan website an online facility to assist parishioners who may wish to support their parish in their Sunday envelope/offertory collection & priest's dues. Please visit [www.armagharchdiocese.org](http://www.armagharchdiocese.org) and locate the **'Donate to our parish'** button.

#### **Blessing of the Graves 2020 : Knockbridge**

As this annual event usually attracts large numbers, in the interest of safety, the blessing of the graves will be very different in this 'Covid-19' year. Fr. Gerry & Fr. Brian will conduct a prayer service & Blessing of Graves in the graveyard on Sunday 16th August at 10.30am (before 11.30am Mass) The numbers attending will be limited to choir members, the sacristan, a reader and someone to lead the rosary. **The service will however, be videoed and placed on the parish Facebook, webcam and website page within 24 hours for all to see.** After the service Bottles of Holy Water can be collected by parishioners who wish to bless their family graves. You will find these bottles on a table at all three entrances to the cemetery from 10.30am to 7.00pm... You may wish to contribute to the running costs of the cemetery as you go in. A rota will be arranged to facilitate this.

**St. Brides GFC**  
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#### **Fixtures: Paddy Sheelan Cup Semi Final**

St. Fechins v St. Brides

Sunday 26th July 3.00pm Termonfechin

Come and show your support !

#### **Knockbridge Community Centre**

**Committee** A physically distancing meeting of this committee will take place in the Centre on Wednesday 29th July at 8pm to discuss the ongoing plans for the up-grading of the Centre.

#### **First Penance (Confession)**

will take place on the following dates @7.30pm

**Knockbridge:** Tues.8th September

(please note change of date from 9th to 8th)

**Kilkerley:**

Wed. 16th September

#### **First Holy Communion**

will take place on the following dates @11.00am

**Knockbridge:** Saturday 19th Sept.

**Kilkerley:** Saturday 26th Sept.

#### **Family Tree Healing Mass**

will take place on Monday 3rd August at 8.00pm and will move for the first time to Knockbridge. We will try to **safely** accommodate as many as we can. We encourage others to watch the Mass via webcam.

#### **Prayer Meeting.**

Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group meet each Thursday at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the rosary. It includes worship & praise, reflections on scripture and amazing testimonies. JOIN US !

#### **Maths Revision Courses in Algebra**

will be available the 1st week of August subject to demand for 1st years, 3rd year higher level and 6th year Ordinary level students. It is hoped that these courses will be held in Killaney Parish Hall subject to HSE guidelines. Places will be limited so booking is essential. Call 0879138261 for more details.

I was sent a letter recently allegedly by Albert Einstein written to his daughter. It's called : **The Universal Force of Love.** Here are a few lines that touched my heart: 'If instead of E=mc2, we accept that the energy to heal the world can be obtained through love multiplied by the speed of light squared, we arrive at the conclusion that love is the most powerful force there is, because it has no limits....If we want our species to survive, if we are to find meaning in life, if we want to save the world and every sentient being that inhabits it, love is the one and only answer..... Perhaps we are not ready to make a **bomb of love**, a device powerful enough to entirely destroy the hate, selfishness and greed that devastate the planet. However, each of us carries within us a small but powerful generator of love whose energy is waiting to be released.' Whoever wrote this, Einstein or not....is a genius. Fr Gerry