



Our Lady Queen of Peace Pastoral Area website: ourladyqueenofpeacepa.org

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**Knockbridge:** The total Parish contributions (envelope & donations) for 23/8/20 amounted to €1,439.47

**Kilkerley:** The total Parish contributions (envelope & donations) for 23/8/20 amounted to €995

**Ministers of the Eucharist : September**

**Kilkerley:**  
Jane Quinn & Eamon Kelly 5th  
Dorothy McMahon & John McCarthy 6th

**Knockbridge:**  
Catherine Lambe & Martin O'Hare 5th  
Jean McLoughlin & Kitty Sherry 6th

**Webcam:** Login churchmedia.tv then scroll down to a photo of Knockbridge or kilkerley church and click....it's that easy :)

**Newsletter:** kilkerleybulletin@gmail.com

**Ministers of the Word: September Kilkerley:**

Catherine Shevlin 5th  
Crona Tansey 6th  
**Knockbridge**  
Cyril Rooney 5th  
Eamonn McEntegart 6th

**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.

'Gaze upon Him, consider Him, contemplate Him, as you desire to imitate Him.' (St Clare of Assisi)



### 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 ( instructions above).

#### **KILKERLEY: Anniversaries**

**Saturday 29th August 6.00pm:** Hugh and Moria McCabe & DFM, Martin McGeough & DFM of McGeough & Dec'd mems. Of Kirk Families

**Sunday 30th August 10.00am:** John and Anthony Kearney

**Friday 4th September 7.30pm:** Shirley Clarke and Patsy Murtagh & DFM

Tom and Margaret McElroy

**Saturday 5th September 6.00pm** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday 6th September 10.00am** Paul McEntegart

#### **KNOCKBRIDGE: Anniversaries**

**Saturday 29th August 7.30pm:** Packie, Katie, Kevin and Fintan Callan

**Sunday 30th August 11.30am:** Brendan Duffy (1st Anniversary ).

**Saturday 5th September 7.30pm** \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday 6th September 11.30am** \_\_\_\_\_

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

Bridget Brosnan, Newtownbalregan, Pat Holland, Little Mills, Paddy McDonnell, Haggardstown Fr. Stephen Rooney ( Detroit, USA), Majella Brodigan, Greyacre Road & Fatima.

If you know of anyone who has died and you would like to include them in weekend /weekday Masses, please phone the parish office with details.



### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 30/8/20

#### 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.

• Enter the church 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.

**House Visits:** If you have a family member or neighbour 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.

#### To Our Schools: Fr. Gerry & Fr. Brian

Greetings and blessings to pupils and staff of the schools in Knockbridge & Kilkerley as you make a very different start to the new academic year. Over the past six months you have faced unprecedented challenges as a result of the Coronavirus Pandemic. However, all our teachers have managed to maintain positive contact and connections with parents and students in some very creative and supportive ways. So on behalf of the parishioners in both parishes we would like to offer our sincere thanks for this. We wish our teachers every blessing in their endeavours as they help to ensure that the pupils in their care and fellow personnel remain safe in these difficult times. Please be assured that all the pupils and staff of Scoil Mhuire gan Smál & St. Mary's NS. are in our prayers. With every good wish for the year ahead.

**Stewards at Mass** Due to the new covid-19 guidelines, Stewards/Ushers will be present to guide you to your seat. NB More stewards are needed. ...please respect their instructions.

**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...this will be supervised by stewards.

**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.

#### Post Confirmation

#### Congratulations !

Our prayers are asked for the children who were Confirmed in the Holy Spirit on Saturday 22nd in what was a most unique and special celebration. Many thanks to all involved in preparing the children for the Sacrament especially the class teacher, Ms. Clarke. Thanks also to Miss Sweeney (Music) Jean Mc Loughlin (Sacristan) and to Geraldine Kirk, Joe Mc Kenna and Eamon McEntegart (Stewards)

**Knockbridge Community Centre Committee** Next meeting Monday 14th Sept. at 8.00pm in the Centre.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Collection

The monthly collection resumes in both parishes on the weekend of 5th & 6th September. We have had to make many sacrifices during the present pandemic. However, let us not forget those who are struggling to put food on the family table. Please help them through the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

**Blessing of the Graves 2020 : Knockbridge On Sunday 16th August at 10.30am we had the annual Blessing of the Graves. The service was videoed and can be found on placed on the parish Facebook page as well as our Pastoral Area website ourladyqueenofpeacepa.org (scroll to Knockbridge) for all to see. We are delighted that €1,449.18 was collected on the day for the running costs of the cemetery. This will go towards new paths and a wall at the new end of the graveyard. In 2021 we will direct our attention to a new piece of land generously donated to the parish by the McGuinness Family. If you did not have an opportunity to contribute last week, you can always contribute in the near future. We thank all the collectors as well as Deacon Martin, members of Knockbridge Choir, as well as Jean McLoughlin (Sacristan), Mary Devine Bell (Rosary), Shane Cunningham (Video), Brian Donnelly ( Photographer) Gerard Quinn ( Canopy & Speaker) and David Farrell the local Tús worker for the ongoing upkeep of the cemetery. Thanks also to Ann & Ronan Wynne and their team of helpers for maintaining the Shrine. And thanks to Peggy McCreesh the manager of the cemetery for overseeing the ongoing development of the graveyard and to all who work behind the scenes.**

**Parish Collections: Alternatives Supporting your Parish Online**  
You may wish to set up a standing order ( forms available from the parochial house ,Knockbridge) 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.

**Maths Grinds** available for Junior Cert. Higher Level and Leaving Cert. Ordinary Level students every Wednesday in Killanny, Carrickmacross from September. Experienced teacher with proven results. Places are limited due to social distancing so booking early is recommended. Call 0879138261 for more details.

**Parish Pastoral Council** will meet on Tues. 22nd September at 8pm in Kilkerley in Community Centre.

#### **Visiting Your Parish Church**

We are delighted that the churches in Kilkerley and Knockbridge are open each day. Please feel free to drop in individually or with your family to light a candle & say a prayer. Before leaving the church, we would be grateful if you clean the area that you use with the disinfectant wipes provided. Let us all play our part in keeping our places of worship 'spick and span' after all 'cleanliness is next to godliness. :))

#### **Face Coverings in Church**

It is mandatory to wear face coverings when in a public area indoors and where social distancing is not possible. Although it is not mandatory in places of worship, the diocesan authorities have encouraged all attending church services to wear face coverings for their personal safety and the safety of others.

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

will take place on the following dates @7.30pm

**Knockbridge:** Tues.8th September

**Kilkerley:** Wed. 16th September

#### **First Holy Communion**

will take place on the following dates @11.00am

**Knockbridge:** Saturday 19th Sept.

**Kilkerley:** Saturday 26th Sept.

#### **Graduation**

On Wednesday 2nd September at 7.00pm Scoil Mhuire gan Smál will have a Graduation ceremony for those who officially left the school in June and are now beginning their post-primary education. The ceremony will begin in the church and end in the school. A similar ceremony took place in Knockbridge for Graduates of St. Mary's NS. in June. Congratulations to all students as they begin a new stage in their journey of life.

#### **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!  
**Family Tree Healing Mass** will take place on **Monday 7th September** at 8.00pm preceded by the rosary in St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge. Fr. Gerry will hear confessions in the back car park from 7pm (weather permitting and adhering to Government guidelines). If you cannot attend, please watch the Mass via webcam.