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Parish contributions (envelope & donations) from Sun. 11th to 25th Oct. (3 weeks) were as follows. **Knockbridge:**

€ 1,760.30 **Kilkerley:** €1,001.00 . The collection from Sun. 1st to 15th Nov. (3 weeks) will be recorded in this newsletter on Sun. 22nd Nov. Your contribution to the running costs of your parish is very much appreciated. NB. Details of where you can leave your parish contribution can be found on the top right of this newsletter.

No Public Masses until further notice. Weekend Masses will be LIVE STREAMED.

Kilkerley 6pm Saturday Knockbridge 11.30am Sunday

Each Mass will be offered for the anniversaries that have been booked for both Saturday and Sunday.

Fr. Gerry & Fr. Brian will also celebrate Mass on weekdays:

Kilkerley: Tues. & Thurs. 9.30am & Knockbridge: Wed. & Fri. 9.30am

KILKERLEY:

Anniversaries Saturday 31st October : 6.00pm

Cecily Bloomfield 1st Anniversary and William Quigley

Monday 2nd November: 9.30pm ALL SOULS DAY

All the Faithful Departed

Anniversaries Saturday 7th November: 6.00pm

Ann Smyth (2nd Anv.) Harry Cooney, Margaret Farrell, Dec'd mems. of the Rogers and Dowdall Families, Eileen McElroy

KNOCKBRIDGE:

Anniversaries Sunday 1st November : 11.30am

Angela Conroy MM., Eva & Tony Casey, Peadar Lennon and deceased members of the Casey & Lennon Families and Peter & Rose Grant.

Anniversaries Sunday 8th November: 11.30am

Barney & Mary Ann Murphy and Kitty Lawless

Your Prayers are asked for the recently Deceased:

Jimmy McGeough, Cortial, Fr. John O'Leary, Ardee, Collon & Haggardstown Mona Lynch, Milltown, Angela Conroy, Tullagee, Gerry Carragher, Annyalla, Castleblaney, Aveen Osbourne, Pontzpass, Peter Houston, Ravensdale, Anthony Martin, Shelagh.

**Feast of All Saints
01/11/2020**

'Every Saint has a past. Every sinner has a future'. Oscar Wilde

Remembering the Dead (Sunday 1st November) From Archbishop Eamon

During these difficult times, we are all mindful of those grieving families, who, because of restrictions, have been unable to experience the customary spiritual and community supports which are so much part of our Irish tradition. With this in mind the Bishops of Ireland, at a recent meeting, decided to dedicate November, to remember in a special way, those who have died and to pray for the families who have experienced so much pain and sadness.

Accordingly, I invite you to join me and the Bishops of Ireland in holding a short prayer service to dedicate the month of November to **'Remembrance of the Dead and Prayer for the Bereaved'**. For our diocese we hope that this will take place on **Sunday 1 November at 3.00pm** in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh. You are invited participate via webcam or other media from their homes.

All Souls Day

To commemorate the souls of all the faithful departed, Mass will be live streamed in the church of the Immaculate Conception on **Monday 2nd November at 9.30am.**

Family Tree Healing Mass will be live streamed on **2nd November, All Souls Day at 8pm** in St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge. Mass will be preceded by the rosary at 7.30pm and will be offered for both the Paternal and Maternal generations of all who gather virtually for this Mass as well as for all on the November list of the dead

Alone has launched a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the increase of coronavirus. Professional Staff are available to answer queries and to give advice and reassure if necessary. The support line is open 7 days a week 8am-8pm. Call 0818222024

Prayer Meeting

As you know, *Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group meet each Thursday at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge . This includes Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament ,the rosary, worship & praise and reflections on scripture . Due to the present restrictions the meeting will be lead by Fr. Gerry and Joan McKenna and will be livestreamed.*

**LEVEL 5 RESTRICTIONS
Baptisms**

All Baptisms are postponed. NB In an emergency, a Baptism may be celebrated by any person who intends what the Church intends. The formula for Baptism "NAME. I Baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" and is said while pouring water on the head three times. Please notify the priest you have done this. A celebration of the faith community can take place at a later time.

Funerals Arrangements

For the safety of all concerned, attendance at funeral services and Masses is limited to a maximum of 25 people only, keeping to the safe distance protocol as well as wearing face covering and sanitising hands on entering and leaving the church. Others can avail of the church webcam. & load speaker system.

Weddings

Weddings may proceed, but with a limit of 25 people. As with funerals, the same protocol applies. It will not be possible to attend a wedding in another county.

The November list of the Dead

were distributed last week to as many homes as possible. If you did not receive receive one, you can collect an envelope from the main entrance to both churches in Kilkerley & Knockbridge and in the entrance porch to the parochial house, Knockbridge. When returning 'the list', please follow the Collection Procedure (see Knockbridge & Kilkerley Notes on this newsletter). Our deceased loves ones will be included in all Masses offered in November.

Visit YES but clean your Parish Church

Although there are no public Masses at this time, thankfully the church in Kilkerley and Knockbridge are open each day for private worship. 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.'

We will phone you!

If an elderly/vulnerable family member or neighbour in Knockbridge or Kilkerley would like Fr. Gerry or Fr. Brian to phone them for a chat & a prayer please call the parish office , leave their name and number and Fr. Gerry or Fr. Brian will phone them. In keeping with data protection the number given will be used for this purpose only.

Knockbridge Notes

Parish Collections: Knockbridge:

Due to no public weekend Masses at present , those who have envelope boxes are asked to leave their envelope at the parochial house Mon.-Fri. 3.00-6.00pm If you still do not do have an envelope box please call the parochial house and Fr. Gerry will get one to you. Thank you for your contribution to the running costs of the parish.

Supporting your Parish Online

As well as setting up a standing order, 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. To access this facility and for further details please visit www.armagharchdiocese.org and locate the 'Donate to our parish' button.

November Mass of Remembrance

Nowadays death notices on local radio generally end with a line saying that a memorial service will be held at a later date. Unfortunately many grieving families have to wait a little longer to gather with the entire community in a spirit of hope. However, we would still like to remember all who died since **November 2019** with a Mass via webcam :
in **Kilkerley on Wed. 11th Nov.@ 7.30pm**
in **Knockbridge on Wed. 18th Nov.@7.30pm.**
An invitation will go to the next of kin this week inviting their family & extended family to this Live Streamed Mass. Let us pray for all who have lost loved ones in 2020 particularly due to COVID-19.

Mass of the Angels for babies who died either before or after birth will take place this year on **Friday 20th November** at 7.30pm in the church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilkerley. All parishioners from Kilkerley, Knockbridge and beyond are welcome to watch this Mass via webcam. Candles will be lit for each child. Call either parochial house in Knockbridge or Kilkerley and give the name of your child or you can go to the church on the day of the Mass and write the name of your child on a candle provided. All the candles will be placed upon the altar during the Mass.

November Sick Calls (Cancelled)

Due to the introduction of Level 5 restrictions, the November First Thursday/ Friday calls are cancelled. However, we hope to resume sick calls again in the first week of December .

Senior Line

Senior Line is free phone confidential listening service for older people provided by trained older volunteers. The number for the service is 1800 80 45 91. The lines are open from 10:00am to 10:00pm, 365 days a year.

Kilkerley Notes

Parish Collections: Kilkerley:

Due to no public weekend Masses at present , those who have envelope boxes are asked to leave their envelopes into the Parish Church Porch on Saturdays from 5.15-6.00pm (before the webcam Mass) or Tuesdays or Thursdays 10.00-11.00am (after the webcam Mass). The sacristan or Celebrant will be in the church at this time. Thank you for your contribution to the running costs of the parish.

Supporting your Parish Online (see column on left)

Live Streaming of Masses

Log into: churchmedia.tv scroll to the image of St. Mary's Church, Knockbridge or Church of the Immaculate Conception, Kilkerley) depending on the day & time. Alternatively Google Kilkerley webcam or Knockbridge webcam and it will take you there.

Knockbridge Community Forum will host a public information session, after 2nd December 2020 this is dependent on the easing of current restrictions. In the meantime if anyone would like to have a query answered please contact us on knockbridgecommunityforum@gmail.com.

St. Brides Camogie are running a virtual fundraiser aimed at keeping communities active in the run up to Christmas. This fundraiser is for raise funds for the camogie team on the quest for provincial success after winning the senior championship for the first time in 68 years. The Leinster championship game is in January. **The 9 week online plan begins 1st November** & consists of a couch, a 5km programme by the approved NHS podcast along with weekly classes ranging from Pilates, strength and conditioning, stick fitness as well as meal ideas from a nutritionist and well-being sessions. These have been donated by local & international coaches which shows the power of virtual training.

Spiritual Communion: For those who long to receive Holy Communion but cannot due to present restrictions please pray this prayer of Spiritual Communion: **'My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, please come spiritually into my heart. I embrace you now as if you were already there and I unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen**