

Aghaviller Parish Newsletter
(Hugginstown and Stoneyford Churches).

4th. and 5th. July 2020. - "Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time"

Priests Living within the Parish:

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Please do not hesitate to ring if you need assistance.

Mass Times in Aghaviller Parish: - Monday 6th. to Sunday 12th. July 2020.

Hugginstown: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 9.30a.m.

Sunday 12th. at 10.00a.m.

Stoneyford: Wednesday at 7.00p.m. **Vigil - Saturday 11th. at 6.30p.m.**

Monday 6th. Feast of St. Maria Goretti: **Wednesday 8th.** Feast of St. Kilian:

Saturday 11th. Feast of St. Benedict (Patron of Europe)

Pray For: Christina Ryan, Knockanore and Rita Dowling, late of Stoneyford, both who died during the week.

Gerard Ryan, Kingsriver Community, Ennisnag: Funeral Mass in Stoneyford on Monday 6th. July at 11.00a.m.

Anniversary Masses next week-end:

In Stoneyford Church on Saturday 11th. July at 6.30p.m. - Thomas and Mary Toomey, Stoneyford

In Hugginstown Church on Sunday 12th. July at 10.00a.m. - Ellen Doyle, Hugginstown

Rota for next week-end: 11th. and 12th. July 2020 - (Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Readers:

Stoneyford: Saturday 6.30p.m. Margaret Ryan. Hugginstown: Sunday 10.00a.m. Deirdre Rohan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Stoneyford: Saturday 6.30p.m. Kitty Wallace; Hugginstown: Sunday 10.00a.m. Ann Power

Book Shop:

St Mary's Cathedral Book & Gift Shop has reopened with a large selection of books, rosaries, crucifixes, gifts and cards.

Opening Times: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, from 9.00a.m. to 5.00p.m.

Aghaviller Parish: (The Way Forward)

The Re-opening of Churches and the Celebration of Public Masses took place on Monday 29th. June. Proper protocols are now in place in both Churches for the safety of all. Please use the seats that are marked for seating: Every second row of seats is available for seating and family members are asked to sit together in the same seat. Week-end Mass are as before: Stoneyford Church on Saturdays at 6.30p.m and Hugginstown Church on Sundays at 10.00a.m.

1. Stewards will help in both Churches to remind people to sanitise their hands and to observe proper social distance within the churches. Please accept directions. The 2 Metres apart still applies for proper social distance.
2. There will be restricted numbers permitted in both Churches. The Maximum number permitted in Hugginstown Church will be 65 and in Stoneyford Church 50. Outside speaker will be turned on if needed.
3. There will be no Missalettes or the passing of collection bags. A collection box will be placed at the Church door.
4. Holy Communion will be distributed on the hand only from the front of the altar. In Hugginstown Church people will come up the centre and return by the side. In Stoneyford Church people will come up the centre and return by the side entrance; Holy Communion will be distributed upstairs in Stoneyford Church.
5. Mass will be celebrated on Mondays to Fridays in Hugginstown Church at 9.30a.m. and in Stoneyford Church on Wednesdays and First Fridays at 7.00p.m.
6. Baptisms can be celebrated – again observing social distancing and limiting the number attending.
7. Cemetery Masses will be possible after 20th. July. We will arrange the Cemetery Masses as in previous years.
8. The celebration of First Penance and First Holy Communion will be arranged when the schools reopen.
9. Confirmation: In accordance with current public guidelines, bishops expect that the Sacrament of Confirmation will begin to be celebrated from late summer onwards. In arranging the celebrations, public health guidelines will determine the number of candidates that can be confirmed at a time. Local arrangements will only take shape later in the late summer/early autumn. Bishops acknowledged with gratitude how children and their families have continued in their preparation for the sacrament during these difficult days for everybody.
10. Attendance at Funeral Masses are still limited because of social distancing.
Hugginstown 65: Stoneyford 50

Sunday Mass Times on the Web and Radio:

St. Canice's Church www.stcanicesparish.ie at 10.00a.m. St. Mary's Cathedral: www.stmaryscathedral.ie at 11.00a.m.

Mooncoin Church; www.mooncoinparish.ie at 11.00a.m. St. John's Church: www.stjohnskilkenny.com at 11.30a.m.

Mass is celebrated every Sunday and is also relayed on RTE Radio and T.V. and on K.C.L.R.

Safeguarding Contacts:

Diocesan Designated Liaison Person: Mr. Cathal Cullen Tel: 087 100 0232 or dlp@ossory.ie.

Aghaviller Parish Representatives are: Teresa Broderick and Carmel O'Toole

Accord:

Accord establishes support phone line to help relationships during COVID 19: - to support marriage and relationships in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic. This will be a free

service, but calls are charged at a local rate. The support line is open from 9.00a.m. to 8.00p.m. on Monday to Friday and can be contacted at 01 531 3331.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People:

ALONE has launched a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19. Professional staff is available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8.00a.m. to 8.00p.m, by calling 0818 222 024.

Collections:

The “June Collection 2020” for the support of the priests of the Parish and the Diocese will be taken up during the months of July/August. Envelopes for this collection are available at the back of the Churches. I would like to thank most sincerely those who have already contributed to the Collections during the past few months. Many thanks for all of your support during these times.

The Diocesan Finance Committee has asked that we make available the parish bank account details so that people might be able to donate directly. For Aghaviller Parish Funds: Use IBAN: IE74 AIBK 9330 9000 0610 47 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)

For the support of the Priests: Use IBAN: IE19 AIBK 9330 9000 0561 20 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)

Lotto: - Aghaviller Parish and Carrickshock G. A. A.

The Local Lotto will resume on Monday 27th July. - Next Draw: Match 3: €1,000.00; Match 4: €2,000.00; Jackpot: €20,000.00; An extra €100.00 prize will be drawn each week until such time as the Jackpot is won. Please submit returns by 8.30p.m. Draw at 9.00p.m.

Newsletter:

All notices for the Newsletter to be left in by Thursdays at 5.00p.m. please. Contact: Telephone: 056 776 8693 or email liamcassin@ossory.ie.

MASS READINGS 5th. July 2020

First Reading:

A Reading from the Book of Zechariah 9:9-10

(See now, your king comes humbly to you)

The Lord says this: Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion! Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!

See now, your king comes to you; he is victorious, he is triumphant, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will banish chariots from Ephraim and horses from Jerusalem; the bow of war will be banished. He will proclaim peace for the nations. His empire shall stretch from sea to sea, from the River to the ends of the earth.

Second Reading:

A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 8:9,11-13

(If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live)

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Gospel:

A Reading from the Gospel of St. Matthew 11:25-30

(You have hidden these things from the wise and revealed them to little children)

Jesus exclaimed, ‘I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

‘Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.’

Prayer:

God our loving Father, we gather together this morning but it’s not the same: many of us are not here and there is a distance between those who are – not the distance of fear or mistrust, but the distance of care, of thoughtfulness, the distance that will help us to stop the virus from spreading. We pray for friends and classmates who are at home. We know we will see them again in real life and value their real presence even more, the gift of friendship. Help us to ‘see’ more clearly what is important, the good things we had perhaps overlooked, the small details of everyday life, graced with your presence. We pray for a better world to come out of this - more grateful for the people who do the ordinary jobs, more just in the way people are treated, more caring for the vulnerable. We pray for a world which is more determined to look after the earth, our common home; A world that will live wisely, think deeply, love generously. We make all our prayers through Christ our Lord. Amen

Please bring this newsletter home with you; do not leave it on the seats or table after use.