



## Pastoral Area Information

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023 28<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Good evening/morning everyone.

A reminder to all that the First Diocesan Collection supports the priests of the Diocese both working & retired. The Second Diocesan Collection supports Share.

This weekend an additional facility to support the Diocesan and Parish collections is available on the benches. You will notice a card like this one with a code on it. Using your phone, you can scan this code and follow the instructions on screen to donate. It is possible to use this facility before or after Mass, as well as at this point in the Mass. Thank you for your contributions.

The third newsletter available from the **Diocesan Synodal Committee** is available at the doors of the church and on the website. Please take one.

“Why did Jesus Die?” is the **Creative Conversation** this week. Whether you have attended before or not, you are welcome on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October from 7.30pm till 9pm. in Kilian House Family Centre, Greystones for conversation and connection with others over cake and a cuppa.

Envelopes for the **Altar List of the Dead** are available from the back of the church, please take one and return it to the parish office or the sacristy. Thank you.

**The Blessing of Graves** in Kilmurray Cemetery Newtown and Redford Cemetery Greystones will take place on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 3pm.

A reminder to all that **Mass times** in the Pastoral Area change on the first weekend in November.

**One** Saturday Vigil Mass for the Pastoral Area: 6pm in St. Anthony’s Church, Kilcoole

Sunday morning Masses:

8:30am in St. Joseph’s Church, Newtown;

10am in St. Kilian’s Church, Blacklion

10am Family Mass every Sunday in St. Anthony’s Church, Kilcoole

11:30am in The Holy Rosary Church, Greystones

11:30am in St. Joseph’s Church, Newtown

12pm in St. Patrick’s Church, Kilquade

One Sunday evening Mass for the Pastoral Area: 6:30pm in The Holy Rosary Church, Greystones

A reminder to parents presenting children for Baptism in December; the **Baptism Preparation Meeting** takes place on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in Kilian House Family Centre, Greystones.

**Renovation work** is complete in St Joseph’s Church in Newtownmountkennedy and it looks wonderful. The church reopens this weekend. St Kilian’s Church will be closed for the coming week as painting work continues to take place. Please check the website for further details.

A **Pastoral Area Information Page** will be available in the churches each weekend beginning today. This will contain the church announcements which are also available on the website.

Next weekend, 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> October, we will celebrate **World Mission Sunday**, the Holy Father’s annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. This replaces the share collection. The generosity offered will be used to support missionary activities in over 1,100 struggling dioceses; mostly in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Envelopes are at the back of the church.

Please check the noticeboards and the Pastoral Area website ([www.gkpastoralarea.ie](http://www.gkpastoralarea.ie)) for updates.



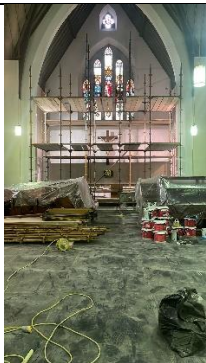
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**The Letter:** A Message for our Earth is a 2022 documentary film, telling the story of the Laudato Si' encyclical by Pope Francis was screened in Kilian House Family Centre last Wednesday. The Letter tells the story of a journey to Rome of frontline leaders to discuss the encyclical letter Laudato Si' with Pope Francis. The exclusive dialogue with the Pope, included in the film, offers a revealing insight into the personal history of Pope Francis and stories never seen since he became the Bishop of Rome.



**A celebration** for Fr. Denis Quinn and Fr. Gerard Young took place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October to mark their 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. A lovely afternoon took place and enjoyed by all. Thank you to the organisers.



Thanks to the fundraising efforts of parishioners, a welcome face lift in both St. Joseph's Church, Newtownmountkennedy and St. Kilian's Church, Blacklion is underway. Smaller maintenance work is also scheduled for St. Anthony's Church, Kilcoole.



Meals on Wheels are looking for volunteers. If you would like to assist please contact Ger Gilson on 086-8290411 for further information.