



# Kilbrittain Parish

## Weekly Bulletin

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First Sunday of Lent

14th Feb 2016

### Weekday Masses

Mon 9:00 am.  
Tue: No Mass.  
Wed, Thurs and Friday 9,00 am  
Sat 10.00 am.

### Stations of the Cross

Each Sunday night during lent, beginning this Sunday 14th Feb at 8.00 pm.

### St Joseph's Young Priests' Society

Monthly meeting in Sacristy on Wednesday next, 17th Feb., at 8.00pm

### Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina will be held in Barleyfield for the month of February, every Thursday night at 8:00. Everyone is welcome. For more info please contact Jim on 086 830 6312

### Operation Transformation

Week 6 starts with the usual Monday morning walk at 9.30am from the church steps and again on Wednesday morning. On Tuesday night there will be a Dance Fitness night with Veronica in the School Halla from 7pm to 8pm and at the same time, there will be a Kids Fun Activity Class in the Community Hall. There will also be the weekly Wednesday evening walk from Bandon GAA Grounds at 8pm and Saturday afternoon walk at 2pm from the Waterfall. We're Nearly There

Defibrillator meeting in the hall on Tuesday Feb. 16 at 8pm. We would ask clubs to make a special effort to send a representative

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BAPTISMS:  
Sat and 11.30 Sun or by arrangement.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:  
Mon 9 to 1; Wed 2 to 8

### KILBRITTAIN GAA

With the playing season almost upon us, players are reminded to pay their membership of €70 as soon as possible.

### Lotto 7, 12, 17, 25

There was no winner of the €4,700 lotto jackpot. €40 winners were Peadar Murphy, Marion O'Mahony, Finbar O'Brien, Alan & Hitomi Healy, S & N. The jackpot for this weekend will be €4,800.

### Kilbrittain Historical Society

Trip to Dublin on Saturday March 12th to visit some cultural sites associated with the rebellion. The cost of €55 for an adult and €45 for students will include bus, admissions to sites, tour guide, breakfast and dinner. If you are interested in booking a place on this tour please call Trióna on 087 6689116 or Niall on 086 0591854.

### Kilbrittain NS Enrolment

Enrolment night takes place at Kilbrittain School on Tues. Feb. 16th 7-8pm. Please bring birth cert and ppsn. All are welcome

### Lourdes 2016 – Young Adult Helpers Needed.

The Diocese of Cork and Ross invites Young Adults 18 – 30 year olds to come to Lourdes as helpers from 11th to 16th June on the annual pilgrimage. Limited number of places. Closing date for applications is 29th February 2016. For application and further details contact Fr Charlie Kiely 021 – 4537603 or email: [charles.kiely@corkandross.org](mailto:charles.kiely@corkandross.org)

### VOTING TO PROTECT THE UNBORN

*A Catholic is bound to vote according to his/her conscience and to make sure that the conscience has been fully informed of the teaching of the Church. Many of the candidates who are looking for our votes this month have clearly signified their intention to push for the legalising of Abortion in the next Dáil, or at least are aware that their Party, if they belong to one, will force them to co-operate in promoting this abomination. The following passages from the Catechism of the Catholic Church (Paragraphs 2271 to 2274) may help when assessing the morality of voting for particular candidates.*

2271 Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable. Direct abortion, that is to say, abortion willed either as an end or a means, is gravely contrary to the moral law:

“You shall not kill the embryo by abortion and shall not cause the newborn to perish.”

God, the Lord of life, has entrusted to men the noble mission of safeguarding life, and men must carry it out in a manner worthy of themselves. Life must be protected with the utmost care from the moment of conception: abortion and infanticide are abominable crimes.

2272 Formal cooperation in an abortion constitutes a grave offence. The Church attaches the canonical penalty of excommunication to this crime against human life. “A person who procures a completed abortion incurs excommunication *latae sententiae*,” “by the very commission of the offense,” and subject to the conditions provided by Canon Law. The Church does not thereby intend to restrict the scope of mercy. Rather, she makes clear the gravity of the crime committed, the irreparable harm done to the innocent who is put to death, as well as to the parents and the whole of society.

The inalienable right to life of every innocent human individual is a constitutive element of a civil society and its legislation:

“The inalienable rights of the person must be recognized and respected by civil society and the political authority. These human rights depend neither on single individuals nor on parents; nor do they represent a concession made by society and the state; they belong to human nature and are inherent in the person by virtue of the creative act from which the person took his origin. Among such fundamental rights one should mention in this regard every human being's right to life and physical integrity from the moment of conception until death.”

“The moment a positive law deprives a category of human beings of the protection which civil legislation ought to accord them, the state is denying the equality of all before the law. When the state does not place its power at the service of the rights of each citizen, and in particular of the more vulnerable, the very foundations of a state based on law are undermined.... As a consequence of the respect and protection which must be ensured for the unborn child from the moment of conception, the law must provide appropriate penal sanctions for every deliberate violation of the child's rights.”

2274 Since it must be treated from conception as a person, the embryo must be defended in its integrity, cared for, and healed, as far as possible, like any other human being.

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