

Wednesday next - 15th August - Holy Day of Obligation

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Don't forget that Wednesday next, 15th, is the Feast of The Assumption - a Holy Day.

Masses in St John's Church at the normal Sunday times, with the Vigil Mass on Tuesday evening at 6.30.

Knock Family Day - Next Sunday - 12.00 noon until 3.00 pm.

PAPAL MASS - PHOENIX PARK - MORE BUS SPACES

As the 'print-at-home-tickets are still not emailed to those who booked on line, we are assured the delay won't be much longer.

Owing to the cancellation of some seats on the Bus we now have SIX spare seats. But if you want to book a place or places you MUST HAVE booked your own ticket to the Mass already.

REMEMBER: PHOENIX PARK PAPAL MASS SCREENED IN THE SET THEATRE

SVP COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND AT ALL MASSES

Dementia workshop

A workshop for family carers of people with dementia take place in The Springhill Court Hotel (September 11th). Contact Kevin Deegan, Project Assistant: Research and Communications Care Alliance Ireland: + 353 85 852 9352.

SO YOU LOVE IRONING?

If you're not keen on the joys of ironing, why not treat yourself and get someone else to do it for you?

For a professional result by a lady with ten years experience:

Contact The Ironing Service at 087 626 1638

Add: St John's Presbytery, Dublin Road, Kilkenny. **Email:** stjohns@ossory.ie **Web:** stjohnskilkenny.com

Parish Office: 056 772 1072; **Secretary:** Áine Butler; **Office Hours:** Mon-Fri 9.30 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Newsletter Deadline: Thursdays 12.00 noon **SVP Help Line:** 086 895 1239

Fr Frank Purcell: 086 601 0001; Fr Brian Griffin: 087 064 4158; Fr Lorcan Moran: 086 855 0521

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Mary Brennan; Alan Burke; Margaret Cleere; Paul Colgan; Fr Brian Griffin;
Siobhán McKiernan; Fr Lorcan Moran; Aidan Phelan; Fr Frank Purcell; Pat Ryan.

PARISH OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

incorporating | St John's | Dunmore | Johnswell | churches

MASS TIMES

St John's – Sundays & Holy Days: Vigil: 6.30 p.m.; Sunday: 8.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 12 noon & 7.30 p.m. **Polish Mass:** 2nd Sun. monthly, 2.00 p.m.; **Weekdays:** 8.00 a.m. & 10.30 a.m. (Sat. 10.30 a.m. only) **Johnswell – Sunday 10.00 a.m.** **Dunmore – Sunday 11.00 a.m.**

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 12th August 2018

Bishop Farrell Announces Clerical Changes

Bishop Dermot Farrell has announced the following diocesan appointments for clergy which will take effect from 29th September 2018:

- Father Jim Crotty, PP Ferrybank has retired.
- Father Patrick Comerford, PP Freshford has retired.
- Monsignor Kieron Kennedy, Administrator St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny to be PP Freshford.
- Father Richard Scriven PP Inistioge to be Administrator St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny.
- Father Sean O'Connor Administrator Ballyhale to be PP Ballyhale.
- Father Liam Taylor Administrator Ballycallan to be PP Ballycallan.
- Father Kieran O'Shea CC St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny to be PP Ferrybank.
- Father Raymond Dempsey CC Ferrybank to be PP Inistioge.
- Fr Dan Bollard to be VF.

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES PRAYER

God, our Father,
We are brothers and sisters
in Jesus your Son,
One family, in the Spirit of your love.
Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind, gentle
and generous,
welcoming to those in need.
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
Protect all families with your loving care,
Especially those for whom we pray:
Increase our faith, strengthen our hope,
Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for the gift of
life that we share.
This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Month's Mind:

Lizzie Hennessy (10.30 am)

Keith Fleming (7.30 pm)

Anniversaries: Frank Power (Sat 6.30 pm); Paddy Tynan (11.00 am); Jim Langton (12.00 noon); Gina Fleming (7.30 pm); Patricia Brennan; Danny Cassidy; Mary Boland; Michael Gorey; Martin Doheny; Phil Doyle; Joseph Browne; Mary Jo Pattison; Paul McEneaney; John Bergin; Tommy McEneaney;

Readers for Next Weekend – Page 120

8.00am	Ann Marie Hogan
10.30am	Mary Hanafin & Seamus Mahony
12.00noon	Anne Maria Walsh
7.30pm	Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell 10.00am	Josie & Fiona Manning
Dunmore 11.00am	Fiona McGeary & Nora Guilfoyle

Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend – Panel 2

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope collection: €1,225.

Thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly and annually, as well as those who pay by Standing Order.

Parish Heart Screening Offer - Friday 17th August Hotel Kilkenny.
Appointments available from 11am to 8pm daily Call 087-7151623

The St John's 6.30 Vigil Choir

Without wishing the Summer away, we are conscious that next month normally sees the return of parish choirs. Some are happy with their membership but most would welcome, with open arms, new members.

In particular, we are seeking a new Leader/Conductor for the St John's Saturday 6.30 evening choir. Like the piece to the right (*cf. Bapt. Teams*), we appeal to your sense of 'ownership' of your Parish to be forthcoming in generously sharing your time and talent for your own sake and for the sake of our Catholic Community. Names please to the Parish Office or one of the priests.

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Monday:

Patricia Brennan (10.30am)

Saturday:

Jim & Betty Canty (6.30pm)

Sunday:

Derek Butler (10.00 am)

Patrick & Peg Callanan (11.00)

Mary & Ned McDonald (12.00 noon)

Maurice Walsh (7.30pm)

BICENTENARYARIES

As preparations continue for Dunmore & Johnswell Bicentenaries, the people of each community have received envelopes and a notice of the Bicentenary Collection. This is to assist in defraying some of the costs involved in the works and the catering involved.

Your best efforts will be much appreciated by the respective organising committees. Johnswell Committee meeting next Thursday 7.30 pm in church.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO JOIN BAPTISMAL TEAMS

The Parish is in immediate need of new **Baptismal Team Members**. It is YOUR parish and we urge you to consider playing a more active role in it if at all possible.

Being on a Baptismal Team (2 on a team) only requires one night of visitation, every few months, to families with infants for Baptism. You would go in pairs, and the maximum number of houses involved would be four, as that's normally the maximum number of infants for each Baptism session.

Adequate training and support will obviously be given to new members.

With the rapidly diminishing numbers of active priests in parishes throughout our country, this is just one on many areas where active, practicing Catholics will be called upon to participate and show leadership, generosity and ownership in so many areas of ministry in parish life and activity.

Should you wish to show this interest and generosity in joining the Baptismal Team Ministry, or indeed in any other area of Parish Life, please contact the parish office or one of the priests.

WMOF 2018 - A FAMILY HEALING MASS

In preparation for the Papal Visit a Healing Mass will take place in The Capuchin Friary next Friday at 7.30 pm. Everyone Very Welcome.