

Loreto Secondary School

1st Year Enrolment – September 2019

The closing date for application for a first-year place is Tuesday 9th October. Application forms and our admissions policy can be obtained from our website www.loretokk.ie or the school office.

Open Night for 6th Class Girls

Tuesday 25th September at 6.30pm. 6th class girls and their parents / guardians are invited to attend. This is a ticketed event. Tickets are available by either emailing your request to office@loretokk.ie or by calling to the school office.

Family Carers Ireland

Family Carers Ireland in association with CarePlus pharmacy are asking for your help in finding Carlow & Kilkenny's 2018 Carer of the Year. If you know of someone who is providing care to a loved one & would like them to be recognised for their outstanding work, then simply phone 056 7721424 or 1800 24 07 24 or log on to www.familycarers.ie to nominate them. Remember to include as much information about them as possible. Closing date is Friday 28th September.

Irish Heart Foundation

The Annual Heart Foundation church gate collection will take place on the 6th & 7th October. Your support to the Foundation is greatly appreciated by us.

Help Save Lives

Norma O'Donnell, National Ambulance Service, in association with Eastern Environs Defibrillator group, will host a Public Meeting to organise a local First Responders group. The meeting will take place in O'Loughlin Gaels GAA club on **Tuesday 9th October at 7pm**. The aim is to supply emergency first response to those who may suffer cardiac arrest. If you are interested in CPR training and in helping the Ambulance Service, you are encouraged to attend. You Can Do It – Make a Difference – Save a Life.

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.

SAFEGUARDING

If you have a safeguarding concern contact

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person, Mr Cathal Cullen, 087 100 0232 - dlp@ossory.ie

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are:

Kathleen Ferguson; Phil Curran; Brenda Whitely; Marian Eardly.

PARISH OF SAINT JOHN THE EVANGELIST

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MASS TIMES

St John's – Sundays & Holy Days: Vigil: 6.30 p.m.; Sun: 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.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23rd September 2018

Youth Ministry - Can you help?

On Saturday 27th October, a Net Ministries Team of 8 enthusiastic young adults (aged 20 – 25) from Canada, Scotland and Northern Ireland will arrive in Kilkenny to run a Pizza & Prayer day for transition year students.

Accommodation for the team is required. If any parishioners are willing to accommodate two or more of the Team Members on Friday 26th October for one night, it would be very much appreciated. Please contact Aine at 7721072.

Aim High

The **Aim High** Parish Ministry Programme was developed to encourage young people to take an active part in their Church, parish and community. It helps young people to understand that religion is not just for learning, not is it a list of rules, but that it is for living, for living life to the full. More importantly, it is a journey of faith.

Upon completion, participants will have learned skills to: Learn and grow spiritually, participate in Parish Liturgies, minister in their Parish Communities and develop practices for self-awareness and self-development.

Recipients of the programme will be able to enhance their CV's by: Proving their ability to commit to a project and display their personal responsibility to develop, improve and grow.

The program is open to all young people 16 years and over. The award is flexible, non-competitive and requires an ongoing commitment.

The program is co-ordinated through the Parish, in conjunction with parish organisations, secondary schools and youth clubs.

Please contact 086-3404730 for further details.

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased: Fr Bob Raftice, Retired P.P. Windgap.

Denis Molloy, Holdensrath.

Paul Roche, Beech Park.

Mick Roche, Hennebry's Cross.

Anniversaries: Tom & Aine Dooley (6.30pm); Kathleen Tobin (10.00am); Michael Denieffe (10.30am); Carmel Hickey (11.00am); Diarmaid Ryan (12.00noon); Frank Coyne (7.30pm); Marie Delaney; Elizabeth Connick; Louie Sheridan; May Lynch; Kathleen Murphy; Margaret Morris; Sally Holden; Molly Browne; Maureen Delaney; Syd & Elizabeth Bluett; Matt Holohan; Thomas & Margaret Byrne; Marie Holohan; Mary Barry.

Readers for Next Weekend – Page 138

6.30pm	Seamus Brennan
8.00am	Margaret Leahy
10.30am	Mary Hanafin & Seamus Mahoney
12.00noon	Anne Maria Walsh
7.30pm	Anne Marie Grace
Johnswell 10.00am	Seán Colgan
Dunmore 11.00am	Tom Comerford & Maise Powell

Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend – Panel 2

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope collection: €850.

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

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Thursday:

Thomas & Margaret Byrne (10.30am).

Friday: Marie Holohan (10.30am).

Saturday: Mary Barry (10.30am).

Alan Bergin (6.30pm).

Sunday: Mary & Paddy Clancy (8.00am).

Catherine & Fr Bill Bennett (10.00am).

Eamon Morrissey (10.30am).

Elizabeth Brett (12.00 noon).

Statia, Stephen & Bosco Buckley (7.30pm).

Marian Movement Of Priests

A meeting of the Marian Movement of Priests will take place this Monday at 7.30pm. at Villa Maria in Talbots Inch on the Freshford Rd. Mass, Rosary holy hour. All are welcome.

Kilkenny Social Services

The Annual Church Door collection for Ossory Social Services will take place next weekend. We support disadvantaged families and the elderly and work closely with all community care services. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

Men's A.C.T.S. Weekend

Del la Salle Pastoral Centre, Castletown, Co. Laois.

(Adoration, Community, Theology, Service)

The next men's A.C.T.S. weekend will take place from Thursday evening October 11th & Sunday morning 14th.

Take time out for yourself on a weekend of prayer, reflection, peace, tranquillity and camaraderie among a group of like-minded men.

For information or to book your place please contact Seán Colgan on 086 6005511.

Ossory Parish Cells National Cell Seminar 2018

National Cell Seminar takes place on Fri 5th/Sat 6th/Sun 7th October in Westcourt, Callan.

Guest Speakers – Fr. Paul Fenech, Malta and Fr. Mike Hurley, Tallaght.

Join us on 1/2 or all 3 days for prayer, praise, healing, thanksgiving and Mass.

For booking, full itinerary and further information please contact: Ann Stuart 086 1916813; email: annst77@gmail.com

'Soulful Spirit'

The ever popular Gospel Group, *Soulful Spirit* will resume their presence at the Sunday 7.30p.m. mass in St John's this month and every second month thereafter. They provide a great service and their embellishment if the liturgy is appreciated.

Bicentenary Celebrations

Dunmore - Sunday Oct. 7th & Johnswell - Sunday Oct. 21st @ 3pm

The Bicentenary Celebrations of Dunmore and Johnswell churches are just around the corner. Much preparation work by the two local Ad Hoc committees has been taking place over the last six months.

The liturgy has been prepared; choirs are almost ready with fantastic musical offerings; internal and external renovations and restorations are well advanced; catering plans are in place to entertain the expected crowds at each of the celebrations. In other words, both areas are showing tremendous community spirit so as to make these celebrations appropriate for the historical milestone they set out to mark.

PLEASE NOTE: For catering purposes. it's very important to please sign the book at the back of each church if you are planning to attend.