#### Eurovision Special in St Lachtain's Church, Freshford

Acorn Club, Freshford, will hold a concert entitled the **Freshford Eurovision Special** in St Lachtain's Church, Freshford, this Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> November at 8.00 p.m. Eurovision winners Niamh Kavanagh, Charlie McGettigan, Paul Harrington will join local artists Kate Cullen, Lorraine Maher and the Deirdre Maher School of Dancing, for a spectacular show that features a Riverdance Tribute. The show is presented by RTE's Mary Kennedy, (Nationwide). Musical Director is Ollie Hennessy (Rose of Tralee). Funds raised are in aid of **The Odeon Social Enterprise Initiative**, a major regeneration programme for Freshford.

Please come along and support us. Tickets: €25.00 available from O' Sheas, Freshford, on-Line @ ticketstop.ie, Group Bookings (8+) Contact Gerry 087 266 3615.

#### World War Memorial Service Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> November - St Canice's Church

100 Years Anniversary of the end of World War 1- the Great War. Welcome to our Ecumenical Service on Sun 11<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 4.30pm and a Candlelight Procession to the War Memorial at The Peace Park, John's Quay. "We Will Remember Them"

#### Anam Cara - Tipperary

This organisation supports bereaved parents and is holding a Parent Evening on Monday 19th of November at 7:20pm in the Horse & Jockey Hotel, Thurles, Co. Tipperary. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. For more information see <u>anamcara.ie</u> or call our Information Line on 085 2888 888.

#### Retired Nurse's Association of Ireland, Kilkenny branch.

Mass for retired and deceased nurses will be celebrated in St Fiacre's Church. Loughboy next Thursday 15th November at 10.30am. After Mass a tea/coffee morning collection in aid of the Carlow/Kilkenny Homecare Team will take place in the Parish Centre.

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#### 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.

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 11th November 2018

## The Widow's Mite

In today's Gospel, Jesus is urging us to look into a person's heart, for what is there is far more important than all the trappings on the outside. The widow gives everything and this does not have to be about money. We might recall those today who give us their time, their support, who pray from the heart and give themselves expecting nothing in return. We might thank them & pray for them. We can also look into our own hearts today and challenge our motivations for what we do. Can we give more of ourselves to God or to someone we love? A listening ear, looking at how we spend our money. Jesus calls us to search our hearts and the hearts of others. The widow models Jesus' way of discipleship in contrast to those in positions of power.

#### World Meeting of Families Collection

To help defray the costs of the recent World Meeting of Families there will be a National Collection at all Masses this weekend. As always, your generous support will be greatly appreciated.

#### St John's Junior School - First Holy Communion 2019

We welcome the children of Second Class and their families as we begin our Parish Preparation Programme for First Holy Communion. A rehearsal will take place next Tuesday at 5pm in St John's Church for those who are participating in this year's Enrolment Mass on Saturday the 24th November.

As we welcome these children, we remember that their journey is our journey too. We are all on a journey of faith, a journey that began at Baptism, continued through First Holy Communion, Confirmation and other sacramental celebrations. This journey continues each and every day as we try to live our lives as Jesus calls us to. It may seem that we are beginning our preparation very early. But we believe that something as important as First Holy Communion needs to be thought about very carefully. We need to prepare as best we can, at home, in school and here in the parish Church.

## **The Annual Bereavement Mass**

This year's Bereavement Mass will be celebrated in St John's Church on Thursday 22nd November @ 7.30pm.

#### BEREAVEMENTS

#### **Recently Deceased:**

Richard Purcell, Lord Edward Street, late of The Commons, Thurles. Paddy Brennan, Dean Kavanagh Place.

Seamus Purcell, Owning, Piltown. *Funeral mass Monday 11.00am.* Nuala O'Carroll, Ashleigh Court, College Road; *Funeral prayers Sunday* @ 6.30, followed by removal to St Patrick's Church for Requiem Mass, Monday @ noon.

**Anniversaries:** Mary Mulcahy (6.30pm); Bridget Phelan (10.30am); Walter Tallis (12:00 noon); Alec Bowen (7.30pm); Tom Brennan; Peggy Hoyne; The Brennan, Dullard & Forristal Families; Julia & Mick Roche; Billy Hanaphy; Josephine Pigott; Michael O'Keeffe; Tom & Molly O'Connor; Eddie Byrne; Michael & Kit Corr; Ned & Bridie Langton; Josephine Geoghegan; Daniel Rowe; The Ivory Family; Ann O'Neill; Dick & Annie Burke; James Leahy; Dick Phelan; Leo O'Neill, Greg Moynihan; Peter Blanchfield; Dermot Butler; Stephen & Josephine Deegan; Dan McEvoy; Jim Fogarty.

Readers for Next Weekend – Page 157		Weekly Envelope Collection
6.30pm	Seamus Brennan	Conection
8.00am	Nora Webster	Last week's envelope col- lection: €.1,040.
10.30am	Kathleen Ferguson	
12.00noon	Bobbie Lahart	Thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly and
7.30pm	Eileen Kinane	
Johnswell 10.00am Fiona Whitely		annually, as well as those
Dunmore 11.00am Eddie Holohan & Liz Holohan		who pay by Standing
Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend – Panel 1		Order. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## Cake Sale

O'Loughlin Gaels will hold a cake in **Dunmore Hall** this Sunday 11th November after 11am Mass, and also next weekend, the 17 & 18th November in **St John's Parish Centre** after 6.30pm, 10.30am and 12noon masses to raise funds for the club's facilities.

# Medjugorje - Evening of Prayer

Rosary, Mass, Adoration & Prayer for Healing takes place this Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm In St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy. All are welcome.

#### Mass Intentions for the coming Week

**Monday:** Tom Brennan, Peggy Hoyne, The Brennan, Dullard & Forristal Families (10.30am).

**Tuesday:** Stephen & Josephine Deegan (8.30am). Julia & Mick Roche (10.30am).

Friday: Jim Fogarty (10.30am).

**Saturday:** Billy Hanaphy & Josephine Pigott (10.30am). Maura Leahy (6.30pm).

**Sunday:** James Butler (10.00am). Tom & Kathleen Cody (10.30am). Eithne Doherty (11.00am). Ned Lawless (12.00 noon). Statia, Stephen & Bosco Buckley (7.30pm).

#### Blessed Edmund Rice Memorial Mass

Mass will be celebrated in the Blessed Edmund Rice Memorial Chapel, Westcourt on Monday, 12th November at 7.30pm to pray for the intercession of Blessed Edmund Rice in our lives and for his canonisation. The Callan Co-operative Society will organise the liturgy for the mass. All are welcome.

# **Sharing Fair**

The Annual Crafts Sale and Coffee Morning will take place in Langtons on 17<sup>th</sup> November from 10.00am to 1.30pm. The crafts are made in self -sustaining projects established by Kilkenny Nun Sr Mary Hayden among the poor in Thailand. All are welcome.

# St Vincent De Paul

Monthly collection for St Vincent de Paul Society will take place next weekend 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> November. Sincere thanks for all your generous support.

# Gallipoli, The GPO and Flanders

Michael Holohan brings his very personal composition Gallipoli, The GPO and Flanders back home to Kilkenny this Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm in the Medieval Mile Museum. This music theatre piece features the war letters of his two granduncles Thomas and Frank Holohan who were born in Johnswell. The renowned actors Barry McGovern and Donal O' Kelly will read the letters and diaries and they will be accompanied by the fabulous RTE Contempo String Quartet. Not to be missed. Admission free. Tickets can be booked at Eventbrite.ie.

## Concert in Aid of Kilkenny Alzheimer Day Care Centre

St. Fiacre's Church Loughboy, Thursday 6th December 8.00pm Performers include: Thukolo Gospel Choir & John Tully, Billy Carrigan & Friends, CBS Secondary School Choir, Andrew McGuinness, Margaret Murran- Flautist, Lynda Treacy George Candler M.C. Admission €10.00. All proceeds towards the refurbishment of The Village Day Centre for persons with Alzheimer's/Dementia. Tickets on sale at the Village Day Centre and a limited number available on the door on the night. Contact Brenda Glynn for more info 0872509371

# Catholic Family Day, Knock Shrine

Feast of families in Knock Shrine on the 17th of November for a day filled with faith, food & fun! The celebration will include mass, individual talks for parents, young adults and children, games, adoration and individual blessing for each family. For more info contact Michelle on 0852032711 or michelletherese3@gmail.com