

## Kilkenny Alzheimer's Day Care Centre

Kilkenny Alzheimer's Day Care Centre, Carer's Support Group takes place on Tuesday 5th February, 3.00-4.30pm at The Village Day Centre (behind the Village Inn Pub).

Information and support for past/present carers of people with Alzheimer's/ Dementia. Everyone welcome. Drop in to group or for more information call 056-7771230.

### Days of Recollection

Guided by the writings of the Servant of God, Mother Marie Adele Garnier (1838-1924),

Foundress of the Adorers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of Montmartre, OSB takes place on Saturday 23rd February.

The theme this month is: The Beatitudes, St. Benedict's Priory, The Mount, Cobh, Co. Cork.

Day Begins at 9am with Holy Mass and Adoration.

1st talk at 11.00am. Day ends with tea at 3.30. Lunch provided.

Donations welcome to cover costs.

To book your place or to arrange to stay in our retreat house at any time, please contact: Mother Prioress: 021 4811 354. cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com

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**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.

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 3rd February 2019

## Ossory Lourdes Pilgrimage

Bookings are now being taken for those who wish to travel on the Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes from May 21<sup>st</sup> to May 26<sup>th</sup>. Fare is €790pps. Please contact Eleanor (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 9.30am – 1.30pm, closed on Wednesdays) on 051 880414 or email glenmore@ossory.ie.

## Variety Night - Newpark Hotel - Next Friday at 8.00 p.m.

John Holmes, from The Pocke, has an advanced metastatic neo endocrine tumor, a high grade tumor similar to small cell lung cancer. His best chance of beating it is a course of injections of the immune inhibitor Pembrolizumab which is manufactured by MSD. Each injection will cost €5,111. A fundraising committee called **John Needs Pembro** has been formed to help pay for this treatment.

To assist with this fundraising, you are invited to enjoy a night of great music brought to you by the talented youth of Kilkenny in aid of local **John Needs Pembro**.

The Variety Night features performances by: Gaelscoil Osrai Choir conducted by Ruth Carolan; Gaeltacht Chill Chainnigh (Traditional Irish Music); Dynamica (Classical music); and Kilkenny Academy of Dance.

Solo Performances by: Niamh Doyle, Millie Drennan, Oisín Clune Farrell, Katie Breen (violin); Anna Walsh (piano), Georgia Shine (cello); Julianne Bergin (flute), Kevin & Aisling (violin & piano).

Tickets: €10 at the door. To book tickets in advance, please call: Margaret O'Dwyer: 086 8744805 or Kieran Conway: 085 1620321

## BEREAVEMENTS

### Recently Deceased:

Jordan Kavanagh, Greenshill.  
Claire Irwin, Dunmore.

### Month's Mind:

Dylan Whearty (7.30pm).

### Anniversaries:

Billy Leahy (6.30pm); Catherine & Louis Brennan (10.00am);  
Michael Kelly (10.30am); John Irwin (11.00am); Johanna McEaney (12.00  
noon); Pat Langton; Hugh Meany; Robert, Eileen & Denis Dowd; Bridget  
Brennan; Marie Beale; Michael & Desmond Mahony; Shane Holland; Margare  
ret Carroll ; Michael & Margaret Lennon; Isabella Doyle; Robert Brophy.

### Readers for Next Weekend – Page 132

6.30pm	Bridget Ahearn
8.00am	Margaret Leahy
10.30am	Mary Hanafin
12.00noon	Anne Maria Walsh
7.30pm	Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell	Robert Butler
Dunmore	Tom Comerford & Maise Powell

### Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend: Panel 2

### Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope  
collection: €1,820.

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

Your support is greatly  
appreciated.

## Anna and Simeon

Two people of advanced age exemplify a keen sense of God-awareness. Simeon's meeting with the holy family led him towards God in prayer; Anna's meeting with the holy family led her to share the good news. They teach us how to welcome the Lord. We are to thank the Lord in prayer and bear witness to God's presence in our lives. Like Simeon, we thank God in prayer for the gift of his Son, the light to enlightens us. Like Anna we proclaim God's gift to others, by what we say and do. Simeon and Anna show us how to respond to his gracious coming.

## Mass Intentions for the coming Week

### Monday:

Hugh Meany (10.30am)

### Wednesday:

Robert, Eileen & Denis Dowd (10.30am).

### Saturday:

Michael Smith (10.30am).

Ben Little (6.30pm).

### Sunday:

Sarah Prendergast (10.00am).

Geoff Doyle, Statia & Nicholas Power  
(10.30am).

Edward McEvoy (11.00am).

Catherine, James, Joe & Patrick Fogarty  
(12.00 noon).

Michael O'Neill (7.30pm).

## Enable Ireland

The Annual Church Gate Collection  
for Enable Ireland will take place  
this weekend of 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

## Monthly Rosary

The Public Rosary at the statue of  
Our Lady of Kilkenny on St James's  
Green takes place today 3.00 pm.

## Blessed Edmund Rice

Mass will be celebrated in the Blessed  
Edmund Rice Memorial Chapel,  
Westcourt tomorrow evening at  
7.30pm.

The Heritage Society will organise the  
liturgy for the mass. All are welcome.

## 'You Shall Be My Witnesses'

The training night for the parents who volunteered to lead the Confirmation Program  
'**You Shall Be My Witnesses**' will take place tomorrow (Monday) night in the Senior  
School at 7.30 p.m.

## Reflection for World Day of Prayer for the Sick

'The Church's maternal vocation to the needy and to the sick has found concrete expression throughout the two thousand years of her history in an impressive series of initiatives on behalf of the sick. This history of dedication must not be forgotten. It continues to the present day throughout the world. In countries where adequate public health care systems exist, the work of Catholic religious congregations and dioceses and their hospitals is aimed not only at providing quality medical care, but also at putting the human person at the centre of the healing process, while carrying out scientific research with full respect for life and for Christian moral values. In countries where health care systems are inadequate or non-existent, the Church seeks to do what she can to improve health, eliminate infant mortality and combat widespread disease. The image of the Church as a 'field hospital' that welcomes all those wounded by life is a very concrete reality, for in some parts of the world, missionary and diocesan hospitals are the only institutions providing necessary care to the population.'

**Pope Francis**