

The Kilkenny Choir

The Spring Concert will take place on Saturday 27th April at 8.00pm in St Canice's Cathedral. This year we will perform WA Mozart's Requiem, Ave Verum Corpus, Exultate Jubilate and Laudate Dominum. Tickets €20/15. Under 18 Free.

Silver Surfer Awards 2019

Nominate an older friend, neighbour or relative who uses technology (facebook, email, skype etc.) to enhance the quality of their life. The closing date for accepting nominations is only 7 days away – next Thursday 25th April 2019. Full details of the categories are available on our website <https://www.ageaction.ie/about-us/age-action-silver-surfer-awards>.

Infusion Gig – John needs Pembro

Infusion gig in Langtons House Hotel takes place on Friday 26th April at 8pm. Music by The Big Guns, St Patrick's Brass Reed Band. Late Bar, Evening Meal & Disco with DJ's Elvis & Tossie O'Toole. Tickets €10 Available from Langtons, Rollercoaster Records and online at: Eventbrite.ie

Irish Wheelchair Association's

Irish wheelchair association's annual church gate collections are due to take place in Kilkenny City and County on 15th and 16th June. Would you be able to spare 20 minutes to collect? All funds that you raise through our Church Gate Collections go directly to supporting our services in your local community. Please contact Holly Johnson, on 087 215 9482 or holly.johnson@iwa.ie. Thank you!

Cycle Against Suicide

The event will be coming through Kilkenny on May 4th, Cycle Against Suicide is calling on the people of Kilkenny to come host a cyclist or crew member for the night, if anyone in Kilkenny or the surrounding areas can provide a bed, a warm meal and a chance to freshen up, please contact Patsy on Tel: 087 829 6683

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

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.

Easter Sunday - 21st April 2019

EASTER BLESSINGS TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS

**Forgiveness is the door through which
healing peace enters our world this Easter**

One of the last statements of Jesus on the Calvary Cross was: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." (Luke 23/24). Forgiveness of every person who harms us is one of the great saving lessons of Good Friday.

Then, the first words of the Risen Lord Jesus at the Resurrection Victory of Easter is: "Peace be with you." (Luke 24/36). Easter peace is the first gift to us from our healing God.

This Easter let us receive these gifts of forgiveness and healing peace like never before! Let us begin in our hearts, so easily torn apart by bitterness and selfishness.

Let forgiveness and healing peace flow into our families and friends. May these gifts give us the courage to develop real neighbourliness to those in our streets and communities.

Let the homeless and lonely this Easter receive not more pious sentiments but real practical charity and care.

Let the forgiveness and healing peace of the Risen Lord Jesus reign this Easter! May we be filled with joy and hope. Happy Easter to all!

THANK YOU

Thanks to everyone who joined in the Holy Week Ceremonies this year. We also thank all those who helped, or organised, or actively participated in them - in front or behind the scenes. It's truly very much appreciated.

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Tommy Holohan, Bleach Road.
Mary Kiernan (nee Foley) Chester & late of Carrigeen.
Anastasia O'Connor, Greenshill --
and her sister, Margaret Hill, nee Langton, formerly Dunmore.

Month's Minds:

Michael Joyce (12.00 noon).
Seamus Campion (7.30pm).
John O'Keeffe.

Anniversaries:

Ciss & Thomas Purcell (10.00am); Seán Connick (10.30am);
Peggy Tynan (11.00am); Patrick & Bridie Kelly; Frank & Peg Wall;
Johanna & Con McGrath; Julia & Mick Roche; Joan & William Dunne;
Brenda McGuinness; Lorrie & Mary Camilleri; Vera Walsh;
Maureen O'Connor; Bridget Comerford; Leli & Mary Camilleri;
Annie & Thomas Dowling; Mary Crotty; John & Kitty Cleere;
Paddy & Billy Cleere;

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6.30pm Mairin Bergin
8.00am Seán Rodgers
10.30am Mary Hanafin
12.00noon Anne Maria Walsh
7.30pm Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell Robert Butler
Dunmore Martina Brennan & Tom Keating

Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend: Panel 2

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope collection: €1,135.

Thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly and annually, as well as those who pay by Standing Order. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The Ossory Times

The Easter edition of the Ossory Times is now available after all masses this weekend at the back of the Church for €2.
Items include: Pastoral Areas; Suicide; Morality Matters; With God in Illness; Confirmation; Fatima; Post Primary Religion; Catholic Schools Week; Canon Law Matter; The Vocation To Encourage; The Cross Of Healy; etc., etc.

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Monday: Frank & Peg Wall (10.30am).

Tuesday: Johanna & Con McGrath(10.30am)

Wednesday: Julia & Mick Roche (10.30am).

Thursday: Joan & William Dunne (10.30am).

Friday: Brenda McGuinness (10.30am).

Saturday: John O'Keeffe (10.30am).
Liam Maher (6.30pm).

Sunday: Margaret Cody (10.30am).
Eamon Walsh (11.00am).
Aileen Deegan (12.00 noon).
Steven Clowry (7.30pm)

Pilgrimage to Knock

There will be a pilgrimage to Our Lady's Shrine at Knock on Saturday 4th May. For booking contact Ann on 7722204. Organised by the Irish Catholic Nurses' Guild.
Departure: Bus leaving the Butt's Green at 7.30am. All are welcome.

New Mission Team in Ossory Diocese

The formation of a new Mission Team in Ossory diocese is being explored. Its aim will be to promote and foster mission awareness in parishes and in the diocese. Interested parishioners and especially those who have worked overseas on mission/development work are invited and welcome to become involved. Enquiries to Fr Sean O'Connor on 086 3895911 or

PLEASE NOTE Masses the Week

During the coming week masses in **St John's Church** will be at **10.30am each morning.**

There will be no 8.00am Mass.

St Vincent De Paul

Monthly collection for St Vincent de Paul Society will take place this weekend 21st & 22nd of April. Sincere thanks for all your generous support.

Rosary at The Town Hall

The monthly Rosary will be recited on the last Thursday of the month the 25th of April at 7-30 pm. It is for Pro-life and the Propagation of the faith. All are welcome.

Trócaire

Please return your Trócaire Boxes/Donations this week.

The Ironman of Pilgrimages Are you Up for the Challenge?

National youth three-day Pilgrimage at Lough Derg takes place from 21st to 23rd June, €64 per person for Three Day Pilgrimage. For more information on the National Youth Pilgrimage on Lough Derg contact Sharon Hearty / Mary McDaid, Lough Derg Team on Tel: +353 (0) 71 9861518 or email: info@loughderg.org. Find out more: www.loughderg.org/ nationalyouthpilgrimage.org.

