

Cooking with The Stars

Rathdowney Parish presents "Cooking with The Stars", a cookery demonstration with Edward Hayden featuring Majella & Daniel O'Donnell as his able assistants. Abbeyleix Manor Hotel, 17th October 2019 at 8pm. Tickets €25 from Rathdowney Parish Office and Rathdowney & Abbeyleix Post Offices, Phone 0505-46282 for further information.

Celebrate Foster Care

Are you a current Foster Carer or would you like to become a Foster Carer? South Tipp/Carlow Kilkenny Fostering Service would like to invite you to our Fostering Event. **Venue:** Tusla, Fostering Office, St Joseph's, Ferryhouse, Clonmel. **Time:** 5.00pm – 7.30pm. **Date:** Monday 14th October. Refreshments, Entertainment and Raffle. We need your help to promote fostering for children in our area.

Darts Exhibition in Aid of Enable Ireland

Darts Exhibition with Steve "The Adonis" Beaton takes place in the Springhill Court Hotel on Saturday 19th October. Tickets €10 available from Springhill Court Hotel/ Enable Ireland or the O'Neill Centre. Doors open at 7.45pm. Proceeds to Enable Ireland

Mary's Meals

Fr Eamon Kelly wishes on behalf of Mary's Meals to sincerely thank the people of Co. Kilkenny for their support for his walk from Kilkenny to Knock in August. A total of €1133 was collected in the county. That represents a meal every school day for a year, for 72 children. Go raibh míle maith agaibh! www.marysmeals.ie

John Main Meditation Group

The members of the John Main Meditation Group have resumed practice at St. Patrick's Parish Centre Loughboy on Wednesday's at 4pm - New members welcome.

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

incorporating | St John's | Dunmore | Johnswell | church areas

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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 6th October 2019

A.C.T.S. Weekend for Men - 24th to 27th October

Can you cut yourself off from the outside world for two days in your life? The weekend will allow you to enjoy your own company, in the company of God and the company of like-minded men on a journey. It is a personal journey, where you get time to reflect on your life and where my journey leads me from here.

A – Adoration, C – Community, T – Theology, S – Service.

Please contact: Thomas Farrell 086 259 5028, Seán Colgan 086 600 5511.

6th October 2019 - Day for Life

The Scourge of Domestic Abuse

Jesus said:

'The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor,

To proclaim liberty to captives

And to the blind new sight,

To set the downtrodden free,

To proclaim the Lord's year of favour.'

OCTOBER STATION ENVELOPES

It's that time of year again! The envelopes for the priests' and bishop's income are being distributed. The October and November envelopes are ready for distribution. We always appreciate the Distributors who generously carry out their task. We also are very grateful to those who come to the office to pick up their allotment.

Singers and Musicians

St John's **VIGIL CHOIR** is looking for new members. We practice on Monday nights at 8 o'clock and sing at the vigil mass on Saturday nights at 6.30pm. If you are interested, talk to us after Mass or leave your contact details in the sacristy or presbytery.

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Christine Mak (nee Brophy) , Ashfield East, late of New Orchard.

Kevin McGory, Clongowan.

Teresa O'Brien (nee Brennan) Freshford Rd., late of Maudlin St. Funeral Mass Mon. 11.00 am in St Canice's. Interment in St Kieran's cemetery.

Months Mind:

Lauren Shortt-Halligan.

James Dowd.

Anniversaries:

Michael O'Driscoll (6.30pm); Fr Bill Bennett; Catherine Bennett (10.00am); Eleanor Molloy, Johnnie Parker, Kathleen Beale (10.30am); Mary O'Neill (12.00 noon); John Butler (7.30pm); Liam O'Gorman; Willie Drennan; Declan Ahearn; Elizabeth James; William & John Hanlon; Joe Hennessy; Elizabeth Connick; Betty Clooney; Eileen Barry; Mary Kate & Patrick Morris; Tommy Fanning; Bill Dullard.

Readers for Next Weekend – Page 149 (C.Vol 2)

6.30pm Ann Daly
8.00am Martin Blake
10.30am Mary Hanafin & Josephine McGuire
12.00noon Anne Maria Walsh
7.30pm Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell Robert Butler
Dunmore Eddie Holohan & Liz Holohan

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.

Life in the Spirit

Weekend Seminar led by Brendan Walsh, Catholic Charismatic Ministry takes place on Friday 25th October from 7pm to 8.30pm and Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th October from 10.00am to 5.00pm in the Good Counsel College Church, New Ross, Co. Wexford. Sunday Mass 3.00pm. It is essential to attend the full weekend. Please text 087 628 3405 to confirm attendance. Tea / Coffee will be provided. Please bring lunch is required.

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Monday: Willie Drennan & Declan Ahearn (10.30am).

Tuesday: Elizabeth James (8.00am).

Wednesday: Lauren Shortt-Halligan (10.30am).

Friday: William & John Hanlon (10.30am).

Saturday: James Dowd (10.30am).
Joe Cleere (6.30pm).

Sunday: Michael Brophy (10.00am).
Albert Bolger (10.30am).
Luke Halley (11.00am).
O.N.E. (12.00noon).
Clare Shortall; Richard & Catherine Shortall (7.30pm).

Parish Pastoral Council

A meeting for the Parish Pastoral Council will take place next Thursday 10th October at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. All members are requested to attend.

Johnswell Active Retirement

A meeting of Johnswell's Active Retirement group will take place this Monday 7th October at 8.00pm. New members are always welcome.

Monthly Rosary

Monthly Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at the statue of Our Lady of Kilkenny on St James's Green takes place this Sunday 6th October at 3.00pm. All are welcome!

OSSORY TIMES

The Autumn edition of the **OSSORY TIMES** is available this weekend. It will be on sale outside after all masses at the usual price of €2.

This Diocesan Magazine is always packed with news, views and pictures of events - local, national and international - that are of interest to all parishioners of the diocese.

Accord Kilkenny

Accord Kilkenny will run a pre-marriage course on the 29th/30th November at Seville Lodge, Callan Road. Time: 29th from 7.30pm to 10.00pm and on Saturday from 10.00am to 5.30pm. Cost of the course is €180 - includes course, materials, soup & sandwiches, tea and coffee breaks. Book on www.accord.ie & go to Kilkenny area.

It is not just about migrants

It is not just about migrants: it is also about our fears and hurts.

It is not just about migrants: it is about our charity and compassion.

It is not just about migrants: it is about our humanity.

It is not just about migrants: it is a question of seeing that no one is abandoned or excluded.

It is not just about migrants: it is about putting the last in first place.

It is not just about migrants: it is about the whole person, about all people.

It is not just about migrants: it is about building the city of God.