

October Station Envelopes

The October Station Envelopes for the priests' and bishop's income have now been distributed. We appreciate the Distributors who generously carry out the task of circulation.

Please return these envelopes with your contribution as soon as you can. We thank you for all your generous support throughout the year.

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.

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

International Youth Conference 2019

Anointing Fire Catholic Ministry invites all young adults (16-35 years) to the 2nd International Conference. Holy mass/Praise and Worship/Teaching/Eucharistic Adoration /Healing and Deliverance Prayers from 2pm Friday 27th December to Monday 30th December at 4pm. at Clongowes Wood College, Kildare. Cost 150-euro inclusive Register online at afcmteamireland.org or contact Peggy at 087 1236693

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PASTORAL COUNCIL

Fergal Brennan; Mary Brennan; Alan Burke; Margaret Cleere; Fr Brian Griffin; Siobhán McKiernan; Fr Lorcan Moran; Iris O'Flynn; Aidan Phelan; Fr Frank Purcell.

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.

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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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 13th 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.

Unlocking the Possibilities of our Pastoral Areas

All members of the **Pastoral Area Councils** are invited to a morning reflection on the many possibilities now open to parishes through the establishment of pastoral areas.

Chaired by Bishop Dermot Farrell and in dialogue with Fr Albert McDonnell and some lay co-coordinators of pastoral groups from other Irish Diocese we will have an opportunity to reflect on how these groupings can best work together.

St Kieran's College - Saturday 26th October 11am-1pm. All welcome.

Mission Sunday Annual Collection next weekend

It's 100 years since Pope Benedict XV's encyclical *Maximum Illud* called Catholics to bring the Good News to all peoples.

To commemorate its anniversary, Pope Francis has declared October 2019 to be an **Extraordinary Month of Mission** (EMM2019). This special month of prayer and action calls us all to renew our missionary commitment by sharing the Good News of Jesus with all people!

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Baby Ella Rose Connelly, Dunmore.

Months Mind:

James Dowd (6.30pm).

Luke Halley (11.00am).

Clare Shortall (7.30pm).

Philip Lenehan.

Anniversaries:

Joe Cleere (6.30pm); Michael Brophy (10.00am); Albert Bolger (10.30am); Richard & Catherine Shortall (7.30pm); Bernard Prendergast; Theresa Cooney; Kathleen Murphy; Liam Nolan; Julie Burke; Billy Maher; Mary & John Cassin; Angela Clutterbuck; Liam Nolan; Tommy Donnelly.

O.N.E. Mass (12.00 noon)

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6.30pm Mary Lynch
8.00am Seán Rodgers
10.30am Kathleen Ferguson
12.00noon Bobbie Lahart
7.30pm Eileen Kinane
Johnswell Josie Manning & Fiona Manning
Dunmore Christy Murray & Caitriona McDermott

Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend: Panel 2

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope
collection: €1,450.

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

Aim High Awards

This Sunday at 7.30pm the Aim High Award for 2019 will be awarded to eight young people from our parish who have actively participated in various ministries throughout the year. They have put into practice the words of Pope Francis, 'You too, dear young people, can be joyful witnesses of his love, courageous witnesses of His Gospel, carrying to this world a ray of His light.'. We congratulate them on their achievement and thank them for their commitment. May this new generation continue to volunteer, contribute and inspire.

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Monday: Bernard Prendergast (10.30am).

Saturday: Philip Lenehan (10.30am).
Veronica McGuire (6.30pm)

Sunday: Molly Bergin (10.30am).
Eithne Doherty (11.00 am).
Mai Malone (12.00 noon).
Michael Heffernan (7.30pm).

Parish Finance Committee

A meeting of the Parish Finance Committee will take place next Thursday 17th October at 7.30pm in the Presbytery. All members are requested to attend.

Medjugorje – Evening of Prayer

Rosary, Mass, Adoration and Prayer for Healing will take place in St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy next Monday 14th October at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Parish Pastoral Council

We wish to extend our parish's gratitude to Pat Ryan who, after six and a half years, has retired as Chairperson of the PPC. Pat has always had the good of the community at heart and expended great energy into the of the Pastoral Council. Alan Burke has been elected as new Chairperson and we all wish him the very best in his new role. We also welcome and look forward to the contribution of two new members to the Council - Iris O'Flynn (St John's) and Fergal Brennan (Johnswell).

Attention Readers

Readers of the Word are required for all masses but especially for the evening Masses. Please volunteer and share your gifts for the good of the community. When we listen to God's word, God is made present to us. Please leave your name with one of the Priests or with the Parish Office.

Coffee Morning and Cake Sale

Mary & Frank Bryan's Coffee Morning & Cake Sale in Aid of Chernobyl Aid Ireland with take place next Thursday - 9am to 1pm in St Patrick's Parish Centre, Loughboy.

A simple Prayer Course, based on: How to PRAY the 'Our Father.'

"Everyone prays, but no one finds it easy. We all need a little help." (Pete Greig)

Venue: St Kieran's College

Date: Monday 14 October (six weeks)

Time: 7.30 pm – 8.45pm

Contact: Pauline Haughney (083 3956945) text or call for a place or email afd@ossory.ie

Rosary at The Grotto

Rosary will be recited each Sun. in Oct. at the Grotto on the Callan road at 3pm.

Parish Evenings

Starting in Advent the **Diocesan Retreat Team** will host parish evenings in St Kieran's College, or in your own parish. These evenings are an opportunity for people to take time to reflect in the midst of our busy lives. The theme this year, taken from *Laudato Si'*, for the retreats is "Praised be to you O Risen - Lord Alive in Every Creature"