

Age Action Train People on Laptops, iPads, Smartphones or Tablets

Age Action are running **FREE BEGINNER** computer classes for over 55's in Kilkenny City. The Getting Started programme teaches people basic computers, smart phones, internet and email. Classes are taught on a one-to-one basis in a relaxed, non-formal setting. We are currently seeking Course Learners & Volunteer Tutors. Full tutor training provided. For more information contact Age Action on 01 4756989 or by email to gettingstarted@ageaction.ie.

Taizé Youth Programme 2020

A youth trip to Taizé in France organised by Ossory Youth will take place from Sunday 28th June to Sunday 5th July 2020. It is a week of meeting young people from different countries and cultures where new friendships are made. Tens of thousands of young people from around the world, including 30 from Kilkenny, made the trip to Taizé this year. The programme, which runs from December 2019 to July 2020 is open to Transition year, 5th year and Leaving Cert students. Closing date is Friday 22nd November. For additional information, including cost, and application forms, contact Patrick Bookle, Ossory Youth at (056) 7761200, (087) 2129006 or pbookle@ossoryyouth.com.

Family Carers Ireland

Family Carers Ireland are holding our Kilkenny Regional Forum this Thursday, 31st October in Hotel Kilkenny. Registration is at 10.30am and will include discussion on our campaign in the wake of Budget 2020, as well as priorities for family carers ahead of the next General Election. Please contact our office on 056 7721424 to register your interest.

Also, the following week is our support group meeting for Relatives of a Loved One with a Mental Health Issues on Wednesday, 6th November at 7pm in our Resource Centre in the Springhill Clinic, Waterford Road.

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

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.

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.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 27th October 2019

Feast of All Saints

Friday next is the Feast of All Saints and is a Holyday of Obligation.

Vigil Mass in St John's on Thursday at 6.30pm.

Masses on Friday are at the Usual Sunday Times in St John's Church.

Feast of All Souls

On Saturday next, 2nd November, the feast of All Souls, we remember and pray for all our deceased relatives and friends.

We encourage you to return your **NOVEMBER OFFERING** as soon as you can along with your list of your specific loved ones. We will place all lists in the basket in front of the Altar for the Month of November. Nevertheless, all the deceased are included in our prayers and masses during the month. Please do not put your Offering Envelope in the basket at the Altar. 'Slips' for your list are available at the back of the church.

The Annual Mass for the Holy Souls will be celebrated later in November.

First Friday

Next Friday is the First Friday of November. The sick and housebound will be visited at the normal times.

Please inform the Parish Office or one of the Priests if you have a relative or neighbour who would like this service.

Social Dancing in Johnswell

Social Dance Classes – Waltz, Quickstep, Foxtrot etc will take place every Tuesday night in Johnswell Hall from 7.30pm to 9pm. For more information contact Yvonne on 087 244 8535.

Rome Pilgrimage

The Ossory Adult Faith Development group are leading a pilgrimage to Rome (August 24th - 29th 2020) Cost is €859pp. These days in the eternal city are an opportunity through art and sacred sites to unlock knowledge of our faith and to deepen our understanding of God. Anyone interested can contact afd@ossory.ie or 056 7753624.

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Stasia Comerford, Kilkenny & late of Kilmanagh.

Eileen Nolan, Maudlin Street.

Anniversaries:

Kathleen & Michael McGarry (6.30pm); John Buggy (10.30am); Martin Ryan (11.00am); Ann Lacey (12.00 noon); Michael & Shauna Joyce (7.30pm); Paddy Hayes; Mairead & Tom Bannon; Theresa Parkinson; Margaret Dooley; Olive Barry; Frank Murphy; Liam Brett; Jack & Peg Robinson; Esther Mullins; Anastatia Holohan;

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6.30pm Mairin Bergin
8.00am Nora Webster
10.30am Paula Rogers
12.00noon John Joyce
7.30pm Marie Fogarty
Johnswell Betsy Rice & Teresa Dowling
Dunmore Tom Comerford & Maise Powell

Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend: Panel 1

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope
collection: €985.

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

Pilates Classes

Pilates Classes will start on Thursday 7th November in Dunmore Hall at 7pm for 6 weeks. All abilities catered for. Booking essential. Tel 086 8547710. Cost: 6 Weeks for €50.

Novena to St Martin de Porres

Novena will take place in the Black Abbey from 26th October to 3rd November.

Weekdays: 10.00am & 6.00pm. **Sundays:** 2.30pm. Preacher: Fr Peter O'Keane OP.

Novena Special Days

Blessing of Animals - Sunday 27th October @ 4.00pm.

Day of Prayer for Families – Thursday 31th October.

Day of Prayer for the Holy Souls – Saturday November 2nd.

Day of Prayer for the Sick – November 3rd.

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Monday: Paddy Hayes (10.30am).

Tuesday: Mairead & Tom Bannon (8.00am).

Saturday: Special Intention (10.30am).
Eamonn & Joan Byrne (6.30pm).

Sunday: Alice & Richard Holden (12.00 noon).
Special Intention (7.30pm).

Please Note:

There is no 8.00am Mass on Bank Holiday Monday.

Marian Movement of Priests

A meeting of the Marian Movement of Priests will take place this Monday at 7.30pm at Villa Maria in Talbots Inch on the Freshford Rd. Mass, Rosary holy hour.

All are welcome.

THREE TENORS CONCERT *Friday 6th December*

We Parish have just launched the promotion of its pre-Christmas Concert to take place in the Parish Church at 8.00 p.m. on Friday, 6th December.

The **Three Tenors** in concert will provide a completely new show with classics from Sinatra, Bob Dylan, The Dubliners and Pavarotti, to mention a few. Christmas favourites like 'O Holy Night', 'Silent Night' and 'Ave Maria' will be part of the program.

Guesting on the night will be the excellent **St John's Senior School Chamber Choir** who will share a few numbers with the Three Tenors.

Tickets at €25 are available from **The Parish Office; Fallon's Pharmacy, John Street; Frank Wall, The Mans Shop; Khan's Bookshop, James Street; and St Patrick's Parish Centre, Loughboy.**

This fundraiser is to aid the heating system that was recently replaced costing €41,000. **Please Support and get your ticket early.**

Rosary at The Town Hall

The monthly Rosary will be recited on the last Thursday of the month the 31st of October at 7-30 pm. It is for Pro—life and the Propagation of the faith. All are welcome.

Kilkenny Branch of Arthritis Ireland

Theresa McGinn from Kilkenny Physiotherapy will be our guest speaker on Tuesday 29th October in Ossory Park Community Centre.

This is a FREE event but to reserve your seat text or call 0871491767 or just turn up on the night. Either way - we'll be delighted to have you there. We'll have the kettle on!