

Parish Heart Screening Offer

Pulsewave Ireland Heart & Artery screening in Kilkenny next week. Parish offer €30 per person for that we check your Blood Pressure, Heart Rythm, Casp of heart, arterial flexibility, blood flow and irregular heartbeat. We can access the risk of heart attack or stroke with a simple non-invasive test. The Screening is medically approved, and a full printout of the results are given on the day which can be discussed with your own GP. Venue: Thursday 30th January Hotel Kilkenny. Appointments available from 11am to 8pm daily Call 087-7151623 to make an appointment.

Kilquan Drama Group

Kilquan Drama Group will present Love Thy Neighbour – Three Act Comedy by Jimmy Keary in Coon Hall on Friday, 7th February, to Sunday, 9th February, at 8.00 pm each night. No Bookings. Come Early. Admission €10.

Life in the Spirit Seminars 2020 Sacred Heart Church, Moneenroe

Tues 4th Feb:	God's Love	Fr John Regan
Tues 11th Feb:	Salvation	Fr John Mockler
Tues 18th Feb:	New Life	Fr Jamie Twoigh
Tues 25th Feb:	Receiving God's Gift	Fr Tom Corcoran, Eddie Stone
Tues 3rd Mar:	Baptism in the Spirit	Fr Brendan Walsh
Tues 10th Mar:	Growth	Fr John Mockler
Thurs 19th Mar:	Transformation	Fr John Walsh

Rosary @ 6.50pm each night and Mass at 7.30pm. All are welcome to this sacred time of music, prayer, song and joyful celebration of our Faith.

O'Neill Centre

Annual Church Gate Collection in aid of the O'Neill Centre will take place next week-end 1st & 2nd February.

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; Karena 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:

Mary Weadick; Máirín Bergin; 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: 6.00 p.m.; Sun: 8.00 a.m., 11.30 & 7.00 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.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 26th January 2020

Sunday of the Word of God

as proclaimed by Pope Francis in *Aperuit illis*.

The Pastoral Letter '**Opening the Way to the Scriptures**' from **Bishop Dermot Farrell**, (distributed last w/e), is written in response to Pope Francis' invitation to parishes to respond with creative initiatives, helpful resources and a renewed effort, to help Catholics deepen their appreciation of the Bible.

The Pope declared that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be observed as a special day devoted to "**the celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God.**"

The Adult Faith Development group has published a flier on LECTIO DIVINA (Sacred Reading) explaining its characteristics and demonstrating a sample. A copy of this presentation may be had in the church porch.

Induction Training for New Boards of Management

Induction Training for Members of new School Boards of Management will take place on **Tuesday, 25th February 2020, in Newpark Hotel, Kilkenny, at 7.30 p.m.**

At least three members of each Board of Management are encouraged to attend this important training session, where the role of the Boards of Management of the schools will be outlined.

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Seán Phelan, New Orchard.
Mary O'Keeffe, Glendine.

Anniversaries:

Jim Byrne (6.00pm); Billy Malone (8.00am); Catherine & Louis Brennan (10.00am); Claire & John Irwin (11.00am); Dick Brennan (11.30am); Patrick & Hugh Meany (7.00pm); Bridget Brennan; Anne Hawe; Johanna McEneaney; Edward & Mary O'Neill; John & Ellen Ryan; Mary, Martin & Brendan Doheny; Martin Browne; Tomás Hackett; Tom Phelan; Bridget & Patrick Slattery.

Readers for Next Weekend – Page 300 (C.Vol 1)

6.00pm Ann Daly
8.00am Martin Blake
11.30am Tony Dalton & Paula Rodgers
7.00pm Anne Marie Grace
Johnswell Seán Colgan
Dunmore Philip Comerford & Esther Comerford

Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend: Panel 2
11.30am Mass - Next Weekend: Panel 4

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope
collection: €2,265.

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

St Joseph's Young Priests' Society

A meeting of the St John's Branch of St Joseph's Young Priests' Society will take place in the Presbytery this Monday at 11.00am. All are welcome.

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages April – October 2020

7 Night Stay and Airport Shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split for €266 per person sharing. Book any flight – any time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle service. Call us for further info and book the dates that suit you. Tel. 01 4434510 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com.

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Monday: Bridget Brennan (10.30am).

Tuesday: William McGrath (10.30am).

Friday: Anne Hawe (10.30am)

Saturday: Johanna McEneaney (10.30am).
Richard Grace (6.00pm).

Sunday: Frank Walsh (8.00am).
Nancy Comerford (10.00am).
Renee & Jarlath Walshe (11.00am).
Jeff Doyle; Statia & Nicholas Power (11.30am).
Anne, Michael, Bridget & Michael Jnr.
O'Connor (7.30pm).

Marian Movement of Priests

A meeting of this Movement will take place this Monday at 7.30pm at Villa Maria Mass, Rosary holy hour. All are welcome.

Rosary at The Town Hall

The monthly Rosary will be recited on the last Thursday of the month the 30th of January at 7-30 pm.

Community Meeting in Johnswell Hall

Community Meeting will take place this Wednesday at 8.30pm to discuss the possible upgrading of the Hall. All are welcome.

Catholic Schools Week 2020

Living in Harmony with God's Creation

Catholic Schools Week 2020 will be celebrated from Sunday 26th January – Sunday 1st February on the theme 'Catholic Schools: Living in Harmony with God's Creation'. The themes for each school day for the week are:

Monday: Living in Harmony with God

Tuesday: Living in Harmony with our Neighbours

Wednesday: Living in Harmony with all Generations

Thursday: Living in Harmony with the Earth

Friday: Living in Harmony in our Catholic School

Catholic Schools Week – Public Speaking Competition

Catholic Schools Week Ossory Diocesan and Knights of St Columbanus Diocesan Public Speaking Competition, 'Young People Find Language for their Faith'. The competition will be hosted by **CBS Secondary School Kilkenny** on Tuesday the 28th January @ 7:30pm. It's open to every post-primary school in the diocese.

St Mary's Cathedral Book & Gift Shop

St Mary's Cathedral Book & Gift Shop stocks a large selection of books, rosaries, crucifixes, gifts and cards. There are over 40 different Bibles on display. See its new stock for First Communions and Confirmations. It also has Irish language Mass Cards, Mass Bouquets etc. Opening times, Tuesday to Friday, 9.00 - 5.00.

Diocese of Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2020

Bookings for Pilgrimage, May 17th to 22nd inclusive, can be made directly with Liz Molphy, Joe Walsh Tours, 01 2410800, Email: info@joewalstours.ie Anyone wishing to travel as an Assisted/Sick Pilgrim, should contact the Co-ordinator, Anna Corr on 086 0744675. Bookings should be made and paid for before April 10th. Fare €790.