

Sisters' Visit from Belarus

Sister Anna from St Elisabeth Convent, Minsk, Belarus will be coming to St John's next weekend to speak at all Masses about their charitable work they provide to the needy. The Sisters will also have a small display of their crafts for sale to support their charitable projects in Belarus.

Rome Pilgrimage

In the company of Bishop Dermot Farrell, the Ossory Adult Faith Development group are leading a pilgrimage to Rome (August 24th - 29th). 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. The cost of the pilgrimage is €859 pp sharing (€25pp/per night single-room supplement).

Caring for Our Common Home

Bringing 'Laudato Si' to Life in our Parish Communities.

Why not consider joining this conference with dynamic speakers, practical exhibits, workshops, funding ideas and more on Wednesday March 4th in Dolmen Hotel, Kilkenny Road, Carlow. Contact Mary.Boyce@trocaire.org

All Parish Choirs - Please Note

Rehearsal for Mass of Chrism will take place on Sunday April 5th at 3.30pm in St Mary's Cathedral.

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PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:

Fergal Brennan; Mary Brennan; Alan Burke; Margaret Cleere; Fr Brian Griffin;
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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.

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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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16th February 2020

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Course of Preparation 2020

During Lent each year the Diocese of Ossory offers a course of preparation for those who are to be commissioned as extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist.

This year we would also like to invite all those already serving as Ministers of the Eucharist to also come along to these two evenings of theology, reflection and preparation in each of the three Deaneries. A third evening will then be held in each parish to explore the practical aspects of the ministry.

The Saturday Morning training session is to facilitate those who are in school or college etc. but would like to minister in parishes as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. So, if there are some younger takers for the training – why not come along to this morning.

Eucharist Broken and Shared, A community fulfilled: An exploration of the service of extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.

Middle Deanery: Thursday 5th and Thursday 12th March 7.30pm – 8.30pm. Venue: St Kieran's College.

Youth Ministers: Saturday 14th March 11.00am – 12.30pm. Venue: St Kieran's College.

Mother of Fair Love Church Collection

On the weekend of **Saturday 29th February and Sunday 1st March** a church gate collection will be taken up throughout our Diocese for the Mother of Fair Love school. This collection is to help support the important work of this wonderful school in caring for, and educating, its students.

Please give as generously as you can.

BEREAVEMENTS

Recently Deceased:

Nicky Power, Archers Street.

Elizabeth Conroy, The Sycamores.

Veronica Kelly, Ardnore.

Liam O'Sullivan, Newpark Close. *Funeral Mass Monday 10.30am. in St John's. Interment in St Kieran's Cemetery.*

Month's Mind:

Tom Stevenson

Anniversaries:

Francie Murphy (6.00pm); Mary Butler (10.00am); Kitty Rice (11.00am); Mary Geoghegan (11.30am); Joseph Lawlor (7.00pm); James McGrath; Peter & John O'Rourke; Noel Murphy; Michael Loftus; Liam Reidy; Smiler Kealy; Breda Rafter; Maura Butler; Joe & Mary Daly; Jim Cody; Bridget Bergin; Mary Jordan; Thomas, Catherine & Jim Ryan; Michael Brennan; Joan Tallis; Charles Bartholomew; Maura Tyrrell; James Dooley.

Readers for Next Weekend – Page 139 (C.Vol 1)

6.00pm Mary Lynch

8.00am Ann Marie Hogan

11.30am Kathleen Ferguson & Bobbie Lahart

7.00pm Eileen Kinane

Johnswell Seán Colgan

Dunmore Christy Murray & Caitriona McDermott

**Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend: Panel 1
11.30am Mass - Next Weekend: Panel 1**

Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope collection: €1,927.

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

Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Tuesday: James McGrath (10.30am).

Friday: Peter & John O'Rourke (8.00am).

Saturday: Noel Murphy (10.30am).
Frank McCormack (6.00pm).

Sunday: Sheila Rice (10.00am).
Paddy Brennan (11.00am).
Jim Cody (11.30am).
Michael Brennan (7.00pm).

St Vincent De Paul

The monthly collection for St Vincent de Paul Society will take place this weekend 15th & 16th February. Sincere thanks for all your generous support.

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.

TABLE QUIZ

Table Quiz in aid of **St John's Branch of the Ossory Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund** will take place in JB Burkes on John Street on Friday 6th March at 8.00pm. €20 per table or €5 per person. Raffle on the night.

LENT AND HOLY WEEK

The Diocesan Liturgy Committee will present an evening of preparation for LENT AND HOLY WEEK in St Fiacre's Church, Monday 17th Feb., 7.30pm.

Fr Dan Carroll (PP Danesfort), Ms Maeve Mahon (Faith Development Services, Kildare and Leighlin Diocese) and Fr Richard Scriven (Adm St Mary's Cathedral) will present an evening on :-

- ◆ **The Liturgy and Scripture of Lent and Holy Week**
- ◆ **Preparing a Sacred Space for Holy Week**
- ◆ **Music and Psalms for Lent and Holy Week.**

Ministers of the Eucharist and the Word, members of Liturgy Committees, Choir Members and all those involved in Parish Liturgy are invited to attend.

Medjugorje Youth Mass

A gathering of young people will take place in St Fiacre's Church on Friday 21st Feb, with Rosary at 7pm and Mass at 7.30pm. Visiting priests & speakers attending. All are welcome.

Kilkenny Medjugorje Pilgrimage 2020

Wednesday 3rd June – Wednesday 10th June. Cork Airport to Mostar Airport. Transfer to Medjugorje 20 minutes. For further information please contact Ann Fitzpatrick – 7765840 or 086 882 5622.