

Tea/Coffee Morning Thanks

Last Thursday's Tea/Coffee Morning and Cake Sale in memory of Fr. Lorcan Moran was an astounding success. The large congregation at Mass was joined by hundreds of others in the Parish Centre where everyone enjoyed delicious home bakes, tea and coffee. Well done to our super ladies who organised the event and much thanks to those who baked, provided delicacies and teas and coffees. Many people put their shoulders to the wheel setting up, serving, washing up and putting things away at the end and a great few hours were enjoyed by all.

Following all the efforts the organisers are in a position to share €4,580 between the Carlow/Kilkenny Home Care Team and Cois Nore. Contributions are still coming in and we will update the figure next week. Thanks to everyone who participated.

Pilgrimage to Rome

The Ossory Adult Faith Development Group is holding a pilgrimage to Rome this coming March (9th - 14th) 2023. The all-inclusive cost for this pilgrimage is €710 p.p. sharing and places can be booked by contacting Kieran and Laura Troy at info@myriam.ie or by calling 057 935 5050.

Remembrance Gathering for Jo Jo Dullard

Twenty-seven years ago, this week Jo Jo Dullard disappeared. She was 21 years old. The annual remembrance gathering walk for Jo Jo will take place on this Sunday, 13th November at 12.15pm. The walk will begin at the courtyard of Kilkenny Castle and move to the Missing Persons' Monument in the Castle Park for a prayer service for Jo Jo. All are welcome to come along.

Afternoon Delight Concert

A special concert will be presented at St. John's Church on Sunday, 11th December at 2.30pm. Acts include: High Hopes Choir, John Travers, Alison Kealy Hays, Treacy Millea, Eugene Dewberry, Cois Nore Choir, St. John's School Senior Choir, Loreto Girls Choir, CBS Boys' Choir, St. Kieran's College Choir. Proceeds in aid of Irish Pilgrimage Trust, a group led by Fr. Dan, which takes young people with special needs to Lourdes at Easter. Tickets available at €5 from the Parish Office and from Fr. Dan.

St. Mary's Cathedral Gift and Bookshop
The Cathedral Bookshop is open on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30am - 5.00pm. Quality books, cards and gifts available.

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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 Dan Carroll: 087 907 7769. Fr Raymond Dempsey: 089 497 1924.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Fergal Brennan; Mary Brennan; Jo Browne; Alan Burke; Fr Dan Carroll; Claire Coogan; Fr Raymond Dempsey; Luke Leydon; Iris O'Flynn; Karena Phelan.

IF YOU HAVE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN CONTACT

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person, Ms. Kathleen Sherry, 085 802 1633 - dlp@ossory.ie

OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

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MASS TIMES

St John's - Sundays & Holy Days: Vigil: 6.00pm; Sun: 8.00am, 11.30am & 7.00pm.

Polish Mass: 2nd Sat. Monthly, 7.00pm; **Weekdays:** 8.00am, 10.30am. (Sat. 10.30am only).

Johnswell - Sunday 10.00am

Dunmore - Sunday 11.00am

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 13th November 2022

November - A Time of Prayer for the Dead

Catholic Church Tradition has always urged prayer for the deceased, in particular by offering the Mass for them: it is the best spiritual help we can give to their souls, particularly to those who are the most forsaken. We in St. John's Parish Community take great care to do this during the month of November each year.

- We remember and pray for all our beloved dead at each Mass during the month of November.
- We create a special remembrance space before the altars in our churches where parishioners can place the names of deceased loved ones for whom the priest prays during the November Masses.
- We provide a special 'Roll of Honour' at the foot of the altars reminding us of loved ones from our parish who died during the past year, especially those whose funerals took place in our parish churches.
- We gather as a community in St. John's Church at 7.30pm on next Thursday evening to pray for all our dead, especially those who died recently.

Eternal rest grant on to them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

St. John's Parish Remembrance Mass

All are invited to St. John's Church on next Thursday, 17th November at 7.30pm to join in a concelebrated Mass to remember all our family, friends and neighbours who have died. Special mention will be made of the 63 people who died in our parish since this time last year. Invitations have been sent to bereaved family members. During the Mass Mr. Padraig McMorrow of Kilkenny Bereavement Support will address the congregation on matters pertaining to bereavement. Light refreshments will be available in the Parish Centre following the Mass. Kilkenny Bereavement Support is a voluntary organisation whose volunteers have undergone a training course in bereavement support. They come from all walks of life. Some of the volunteers are trained counsellors or are taking a training course in counselling. The service is for all who have been bereaved by death. The counsellors support bereaved people of all ages in Kilkenny and surrounding counties. Contact them on 056 775 6538.

Mass for Retired and Deceased Nurses

A Mass for Retired and Deceased Nurses will take place on Thursday, 17th November at 10.30am in St. Fiacre's Church, Loughboy. A collection for Carlow/Kilkenny Home Care Team will be taken up after Mass. Tea/Coffee Morning afterwards in the Parish Centre.

Remembering Our Loved Ones Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Philip Buckley, Archers Crescent, Loughboy. Requiem Mass at St. Fiacre's Church at 10.30am on Monday.
Vincent Nolan, Moon Hall, Clara and formerly Assumption Place and Listowel, Co. Kerry.
John Creegan, Riverview, Loughboy. Pat Fitzgerald, Clare and Golf Links Road.
Frances Walsh, Seven Houses. Aoife Byrne, Goresbridge.
Sean Heffernan, Drakelands, Kilkenny. Eddie Nolan, Fr Murphy Square.
Eoin McDonald, Upper New Street. Mary McGee, Borris.
Mick Lawler, Jenkinstown. Anne Tallott, Westfield and Bohola, Co. Mayo.
Nora Moylan, Stoneyford and Loughboy.

Months Mind:

Danny Butler (10.00am).

Anniversaries: Tom Brennan, Peggy Hoyne, The Brennan, Dullard and Forristal Families (6.00pm); Bill, Tim, Kate and Tom Sullivan and Family (11.00am); Larry O'Shea (11.30am); Dermot Butler (7.00pm); Thomas Varkey; Eileen and Liam Nolan; Dan McEvoy; Johanna Maher; Stephen Murphy; Eddie Byrne Jnr.; Kit and Michael Corr; Peter Blanchfield; Thomas, Elizabeth, Bernadette and Frances Ivory.

"It is a holy and a wholesome thought to pray for the dead." (2 Mac 12: 46).

Readers for Next Weekend

6.00pm Claire Coogan
8.00am Jo Browne
10.00am Betsy Rice
11.00am Martina Brennan & Tom Keating
11.30am Deirdre Dowling

Weekly Collections

Envelope Collection: €1,470.00
Dunmore Baskets: €92.00
Johnswell Baskets: €160.00
St. John's Baskets: €1,236.00
Thanks to all who contribute.

Barnardo's Online Safety Program

Johnswell National School is holding an Online Safety Workshop for parents run by Barnardo's in Johnswell National School on Wednesday, 16th November at 7.00pm. Topics covered include: How to talk to your child about online safety; risks online for children; screentime. As well as parents of children attending Johnswell School we would like to extend an invite to all parishioners who might find the talk helpful.

Kilkenny Toastmasters Club

Do butterflies attack your stomach whenever you're asked to speak before a group? Give humorous, informative, or special occasion speeches. Learn to think quickly and clearly on your feet. Have you a wedding coming up? Are you the father/mother of the bride, the best man/bridesmaid or the groom/bride?

If so, Toastmasters can help. Visit your local Kilkenny Toastmasters Club and begin improving your communication skills today. Meetings every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month in St John's Community Hall, Dublin Road, Kilkenny R95 P448 or contact: kilkennytoastmasters@gmail.com for further information.

Medjugorje Evening of Prayer, Rosary, Mass and Adoration

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

Radio Maria Ireland

Totus Tuus Scripture Conference 2022 is live on Radio Maria Ireland from 2.00pm on Saturday 19th November. Speakers include Sr. Caitriona Kavanagh OP, Brian O'Driscoll (Paving the Way Home), Fr. John McCarthy (Cloyne Diocese) and Fr. Terence Crotty OP. Radio Maria Ireland can be listened to by downloading the Radio Maria Ireland app, Saorview channel 210 or listen live at 01 437 3277.

Mass Intentions for Week Beginning 14th November

Monday: (10.30am) Thomas Varkey
Wednesday: (10.30am) Special Intention
Thursday: (10.30am) Eileen Nolan & Tom Nolan
(7.30pm) All our beloved dead
Friday (10.30am) Dan McEvoy
Saturday: (10.30am) Johanna Maher
(6.00pm) Joseph & Alice Bambrick
Sunday: (8:00am) Patrick Kavanagh
(11.00am) Patrick & Ann Nolan
(11.30am) Maura Leahy
(7.00pm) Stephen, Statia & Bosco Buckley

Please note we may transfer an anniversary Mass on the occasion of a funeral.

*Those we love don't go away,
they walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near!
Still loved, still missed and very dear.*

Parish Webcam

All Masses and Services at St. John's Church are broadcast on stjohnskilkenny.com and on Radio on 106.8FM. Please tell those who live away and those who are unable to attend Mass.

Weekdays

8.00am and 10.30am.

Saturdays

10.30am and 6.00pm.

Sundays

8.00am, 11.30am 7.00pm.

Holy Days

6.00pm (Eve)
8.00am, 10.30am 7.00pm

Feast of Christ the King

Next Sunday, 20th November is the Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. It is the final Sunday of the Church's liturgical year and leads into The Season of Advent on the following Sunday.

To mark the end of the year we will hold a traditional Holy Hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at St. John's Church from 3.00pm to 4.00pm on the day. All are invited to come and spend some time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

First Holy Communion Programme

The programme for this year's First Holy Communion Classes continues at 6.00pm Mass at St. John's and 10.00am Mass at Johnswell next weekend. We look forward to welcoming the children and their parents. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday

This special day on which we reflect on safeguarding in the diocese will be held next weekend – the Diocese brings out a Newsletter to update everybody of the duty of care regarding children and vulnerable adults.

November - Month of the Holy Souls

Let us continue to pray for the faithful departed, those who have gone before us, our relatives, neighbours and friends. Our ancestors were faithful to the custom of attending Mass and visiting a church or graveyard to pray for the dead during November - let us do the same.

Collection for Retired Priests

The annual diocesan collection for the support of retired priests in the diocese will be taken up next weekend. Please support those who have worked in our diocese.

Online Advent Retreat

The Priory Institute is delighted to offer an online retreat "The Word was Made Flesh: An Advent Retreat. "Oh that you would tear apart the heavens and come down!" (Isaiah 64:1) Visit our website prioryinstitute.com to find out more.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for November

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Let us join the Pope in prayer for these intentions.