

Conversations with Women in the Bible

A day to explore insights from their stories and God's transforming presence in the lives of these women.

Speaker: Sr Therese Fitzgerald SND.

Venue: Ballyvaloo Centre, Blackwater, Co. Wexford on Friday, 12th May.

Pembroke Hotel, Kilkenny on Saturday, 13th May. More details later or check out our website on www.ssjpg.org

Pilgrimage to Knock – Sunday, 23rd April

Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration Pilgrimage to Knock, Coach leaves from Woodies' Carpark, Kilkenny at 7.00am on Sunday, 23rd April 2023. Cost: €25.00.

Please contact: 086 166 6547 for information and booking.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023

The Ossory Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023 will be led by Bishop Niall Coll. Pilgrimage Director: Very Rev Anthony O'Connor. 23rd May for 5 Nights. €879 per person includes return flights and transfers, full board, taxes. Full religious programme facilitated in conjunction with the Diocese of Ossory. For information and bookings contact Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800 or email info@joewalshstours.ie.

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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.

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OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

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Castlecomer Golf Club - Clothing Collection

Castlecomer Golf Club is holding a textile recycling on Tuesday, 18th April. Bags can be dropped into the Golf Clubhouse any day between 10.00am and 5.00pm from Monday, 3rd April to Monday, 17th April. The bags will be collected from the Golf Club on Tuesday, 18th April. This is a great opportunity to do a bit of a clear out of all your unwanted clothes, duvet covers, sheets, blankets, towels, jeans, curtains, shoes, boots, and golf shoes. (No duvets or pillows).

St Mary's Cathedral Bookshop

St Mary's Cathedral Bookshop, situated in the grounds of the cathedral, is now open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5.00pm.

We have a large selection of Confirmation and Holy Communion Gifts, Prayer Books, Rosaries, Crosses. Please support our diocesan cathedral bookshop.

Trócaire Family Fast Boxes

It is time to return your Lenten Family Fast Box. Please remember to return your Trócaire envelopes or box to the parish church. Thank you.

Parish Of Saint John The Evangelist

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MASS TIMES

St John's – Sundays: 6.00pm (Vigil); Sun: 8.00am, 11.30am & 7.00pm.

Holy Days: 6.00pm (Vigil); 8.00am, 10.30am & 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

Easter Sunday - 9th April 2023

EASTER GREETINGS

May the blessings of the Risen Jesus, this Easter Sunday, be with all our parishioners, their families and friends.

The New Paschal Candle, lit at the Easter Vigil, is the symbol of the New Life of the Risen Jesus shining everywhere for all.

We thank all who attended the Holy Week Ceremonies, all who helped prepare and organise the ceremonies. Thank you to the sacristans, choirs, musicians, readers, Eucharistic ministers, ushers and parish secretary and all who helped decorate our church so that it might reflect the hope and light of the Resurrection. Throughout the year a lot of people help out and support the parish in many different ways. To all who help in the various ministries, to all who help run or organise the various parish activities and to all who help, support or participate in the life of the parish in any way at all we say a sincere word of thanks.

Your commitment makes the parish of St John's very special for us all.

Ossory Times

Our quarterly diocesan magazine is available at the doors of the churches. As usual the colourful Easter edition is full of interesting stories and information, including a number of articles about the ordination of our new bishop. Cost: €2.

No 8.00am Mass on Monday to Saturday during the coming week

Easter Prayer

Dear Lord,

Thank you for creating me.

Thank you for making everything around me.

Thank you for my family and my friends.

Easter is here again and we remember the ultimate sacrifice you made for us.

Thank you for thinking of my salvation.

Thank you for saving me from eternal damnation.

Thank you for preserving my life.

Thank you for taking away my transgressions.

Help me live in truth for you

help me live in appreciation for what you did for me

Help me love others just as you have loved me.

In Jesus' name I pray,

Amen



Remembering Our Loved Ones Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: John Byrne, New Orchard Estate, Reposing at Coady's Funeral Home, Castlecomer on Sunday, with Rosary at 8.00pm. Requiem Mass at St. John's Church, Kilkenny on Monday at 10.30am followed by burial in St Brigid's Cemetery, Coon.

Mick McGrath, Castlecomer Road and late of St Fiacre's Place. Reposing in Johnston's Funeral Home on Monday from 4.30pm with Funeral Prayers at 6.00pm followed by removal to St. Fiacre's Church. Requiem Mass on Tuesday morning at 10.30am.

Eileen Dobbyn, Lyrath. Reposing at her home on Sunday from 3.00pm to 7.00pm. Vigil Prayers at 5.30pm. Requiem Mass on Monday morning at 11.00am in St. Colman's Church, Clara.

Brigid Doyle, Rosewood, Johnswell Road and late of St. John's Place, Gowran.

Eileen Jones, Wales.

Months Mind: Bridie Murphy (7.00pm). Rose Phelan (10.30am) Wednesday, 10th April.

Anniversaries: Helen Frayne (8.00am); Ken McDermott (11.00am); Alice & Seán Byrne (11.30am); Tommy Holohan; Stefan & Marta Petruf; Martin Ryan; Sheila Delaney; Arthur & Annie Connick; Elizabeth McGrath; Patrick Cahill; Ellen & Edward Delaney; Kevin Foley; Patrick Coleman; Nano Brennan; Peter Long; Annie & Dick Burke; Joe & Ann Walshe; Elizabeth Geoghegan.

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day.

Readers for Next Weekend

6.00pm	Claire Coogan
8.00am	Paula Rogers
10.00am	Elaine Bennett
11.00am	Stephanie Butler & Roger Curran
11.30am	Mary Lynch
7.00pm	Joan Galwey



Weekly Attendance and Collections

Envelope Collection:		€940.00
Mass	Attendance	Baskets
6.00pm Vigil	124	180.00
8.00am	105	105.00
Johnswell	73	75.00
Dunmore	58	55.00
11.30am	172	193.00
7.00pm	200	205.00

Thanks to all who attend and contribute.
Your support is greatly appreciated.

Society of St Vincent De Paul Collection

The Monthly Collection for the local conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul will take place next weekend, 15th and 16th April. A sincere thank you for all your generous support. Please remember the local conference can be contacted in writing through the Parish Office or by telephone on 086 895 1239.

St John's Day Care Centre

The Centre is open on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9.30am to 2.30pm. It gives elderly people an opportunity to meet, socialise and lunch together. Should you like to attend or if you require further information about the Day Care Centre services, please contact Marian on 087 372 0382.

Volunteer with ALONE

Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE is seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please contact Emma on 086 083 4393 or via email emma.heslin@alone.ie. If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you, please call 0818 222 024.

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Sunda Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, on 23rd April 2023. €499.00 per person sharing. Price includes return train, 3 nights in Knock House Hotel with Full Board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballin-tubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre. Single supplement €100.00. Contact Patricia on 087 1890 236 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Mass Intentions for Week Beginning 10th April

Monday:	10.30am	Funeral - John Byrne
Tuesday:	10.30am	Stefan & Marta Petruf
Wednesday:	10.30am	MM Rose Phelan
Saturday:	10.30am	Martin Ryan
	6.00pm	Christy Byrne Jnr.
Sunday:	8.00am	Mary Corr
	10.00am	Lena O'Keeffe
	11.00am	Eamon Walsh
	11.30am	Elizabeth Hanlon
	7.00pm	MM Billy Walsh

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

May they rest in peace.

Parish Webcam

Masses and Services in St. John's Church are broadcast on stjohnskilkenny.com and on 106.8FM. Inform those who are unable to attend.

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

Bake Sale - Johnswell

Johnswell Youth Club Relay for Life Team will hold a Bake Sale this Sunday Morning after the 10.00am Mass in Johnswell Hall. Please support and pick up something nice for after your dinner.



Social Dancing in Johnswell

Social Dance night will take place in Johnswell Hall on Saturday the 22nd April from 9.30pm until late. Music is by the very talented Declan Aungier. Admission €10 and all are very welcome.

Conference on Evangelisation and Vocations

In life, many hear God's call to priesthood. Is your heart open to the Lord? Have you ever considered taking the risk to follow in the footsteps of Jesus? If so, you are invited to the national seminary of Saint Patrick's College, Maynooth, on 25th April, to attend a special conference on evangelisation and vocations in Ireland today.

Archbishop Rino Fisichella, Pro Prefect of the Vatican's Dicastery for Evangelisation, will be the keynote speaker. Please register directly on www.vocations.ie or contact the National Vocations Director Fr Willie Purcell at willie.purcell@iecon.ie or Rev Eric Cooney Secretary of the National Vocations Office at eric.cooney@iecon.ie

Anam Cara Southeast

Anam Cara Southeast will host its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 11th April at 7.15pm in the Brandon House Hotel, New Ross. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

The Kilkenny Choir

The Kilkenny Choir presents Haydn's Theresienmesse and Insanae et Vanae Curae with orchestra and soloists, in the beautiful surroundings of St. Canice's Cathedral, Kilkenny on Saturday, 22nd April at 8.00pm. Tickets €20/€15 Concession, U18s Free, available on Eventbrite or at the door.

St Benedict's Priory, Cobh

Monastic Vocations Weekend takes place in St Benedict's Priory, Cobh on the 6th & 7th May. Opportunity for those discerning a religious vocation to pray and work alongside our Monastic Community. Talks on our history, way of life and spirituality. For more information, please contact Mother Prioress on 021 4811354 or email cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com