

City Library Opening Hours

Monday: Closed; Tuesday 10-8pm; Wednesday 10-8pm;
Thursday 10-5pm; Friday: 10-5pm; Saturday: 10-1.30pm.
(Closed on Saturday of Bank holiday weekends)

Tips for helping your child to read:

- Read the story yourself beforehand, and gather some simple props such as teddies, flowers, phone, food, anything mentioned in the story.
- Ask short questions as you go along to keep the child interested and get his/her opinions.
- Have paper and colours to draw /scribble something from the story when finished.

Making the Future Together'

Kilkenny Community and Voluntary Forum will host a one-day conference on Thursday 2nd April in the Kilkenny Ormonde Hotel for all those involved in the community and voluntary sector. The conference, entitled 'Making the Future Together', will focus on the importance and influence of local government and the challenges for community and voluntary groups.

John Gormley, Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government will address the meeting, which will be opened by Cllr Tomas Breathnach, Chairman of the County Council. Other speakers are Mr Frank Dawson, Director of Services Galway County Council, Mr Sean O'Riordain from NUI Maynooth and adding a local voice, Nicholas A.P. Flavin, Chairman of Kilkenny Forum.

The Forum, made up of representatives from the community and voluntary sector, who in turn feed into the Strategic Policy Committees and County Development Board, celebrates its 10 year anniversary in 2009.

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Fourth Sunday of Lent 22nd March 2009

LITURGY GROUP MEETING

A meeting of the Liturgy Group will take place in the Presbytery on Thursday evening at 8.00 p.m. As we prepare the Liturgies for Holy Week and Eastertide, we hope as many as possible can attend. New members are invited and always welcome to attend.

Vocations – Lent 2009

“God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through Him.” Are you being invited to share the mission of Jesus as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Talk to your Priest or contact Fr. Willie Purcell vocations director:
ossoryvocdir@gmail.com

Lenten Stations

Thanks to all who handed in your Station Offerings. If you've forgotten, you may still drop them in at your convenience. Thanks also to all our distributors.

Deaths – Month's Minds – Anniversaries

Deaths: Philip Malone - 87, Newpark Close
Edel Cullen - 41, Riverview
Brigid Gory - Knocktopher
Sr. Consilio Timmins - Presentation Convent

Anniversaries: Tony Feighery (Sat 6.30pm); Kathleen Byrne (Sun 10.30am); Billy & Jimmy McEvoy (Dunmore 11am); John & Eileen Meagher (Sun 12 Noon); Marie Deegan; John Doyle; Richard Fanning; Mai McCann; John, Michael & Ellen Parkinson; Bridie & Bill Salter.

Parish Pastoral Council

There will be a meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council on Wednesday evening at 8.00p.m. in the Presbytery.

Johnswell National School

Parents who wish to enrol their children in Johnswell National School for 2009-2010 should contact the school for enrolment forms.
Telephone: 056-7759895.

St John's School Michael Street

St John's School is accepting applications for enrolment for the school year 2009/2010, for further details please contact the school at 056-772 6888.

Sue Ryder Shop

The Sue Ryder Shop would be very grateful for furniture, brick & bract, and also Communion dresses. Furniture will be collected on Thursday morning.
Contact: Maria at 087-281 7326 or 056-775 6857.

Monster Bingo

There will be a Monster Bingo in aid of S.O.S Castlecomer in the Castlecomer Community Hall on Sunday, 22nd March beginning at 2pm.
Prize funds of €2,500.

Loreto News

In 2007 Sr. Cyril Mooney, a Loreto sister working in India was awarded the Padma Shri Award in recognition of her educational work and social work among the poor of Calcutta. Loreto Secondary School is delighted to host a talk by Sr. Cyril in the school library on Thursday, 26th. March at 8pm. This is a rare opportunity to meet and hear Sr. Cyril. All are most welcome.

Mini Marathon

Mini Marathon Meet & Train Group running every **Thursday** at **The Watershed Track**, all fitness levels welcome including walkers/joggers :-
Time - 12-1pm -Cost-€ per session.

Eucharistic Ministers For Next Weekend – Panel 1

Readers for Next Weekend – P78

8.00 a.m. Mass	Ann Noonan
10.30 a.m.	Awele Onelum
12.00 noon	Bobbie Lahart
7.30 p.m.	Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell 10.00 a.m.	Sean Colgan/Marie Clare Walsh
Dunmore 11.00 a.m.	Phil Comerford/Esther Comerford

O'Loughlin Gaels Lotto Results

Numbers: 8; 10; 11; 21. Bonus No.7. No Winner. Next Week's Prize Fund: €12,000.00.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes 22 to 27th May 2009. To book phone 051 880414 (10.30 a.m. / 2.30 daily excluding Wednesday.) Fare €725 pps.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

There will be a meeting of St. Joseph's Young Priests Society on Tuesday 24th at St. John's Presbytery at 7.30p.m.