

## St John's Senior School

Parents who wish to enrol their children in St John's Senior School, Ballybough Street, for the school year 2010-2011 should do so as soon as possible. Enrolment forms are available at the school.

## Johnswell School

Enrolment forms are available from Johnswell School for September 2010. Please contact the school: 056 775 9895

## Kilkenny County Library Service

The following events for Senior Citizens will take place at the City Library, John's Quay. All events are FREE! Phone 779 4174 – booking essential. **Mobile Phone Classes** on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May and Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June from 10am-12 Noon.

**Flower Arranging** on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May at 11a.m.

## Parking at MacDonagh Train/Bus Station

Following a recent "clamping" incident of mass-goers at the Train Station – which was later satisfactorily resolved through the good offices of NCPS management company – the parking situation at the train station is now as follows:

NCPS management company, which has nationwide control of train station car parks, have kindly agreed to allow mass-goers free and uninterrupted parking **during weekend masses only**. This applies to masses on Saturday 6.30, Sunday 8.00, 10.30, 12.00 and evening mass at 7.30 p.m.

Like our current agreement with MacDonagh Junction's **surface car-park** across from the church, parking is free **during weekend masses only**. Reasonably prompt removal of cars is expected after mass finishes: i.e., you don't go off shopping or go for lunch, etc.

We wish to express our gratitude to both institutions regarding this kind gesture and to empathise with those who were distressed as a result of the recent clamping incident.

## Parish Confirmations

May 29<sup>th</sup> is fast approaching, and on that Saturday at 11.00 a.m., our parish Confirmations will take place in St John's Church.

This week, on Wednesday and Thursday, the candidates will have a day's retreat in Peace in Christ Retreat House.

There will be a Mass, incorporating The Ceremony of Light, on Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 p.m.

Your prayers for all those preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation is greatly appreciated.

## ST JOHN'S PARISH – KILKENNY



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## Sixth Sunday of Easter 9<sup>th</sup> May 2010

### First Holy Communion in Johnswell

Congratulations to the boys and girls from Johnswell School who receive their First Holy Communion this weekend: Lauren Comerford; Chloe Farrell; Conor Kelly; Katie McKenna; Conor O'Shea; Sarah Quinn; Jack Sheridan; Kate Whitely. Thanks to the teachers and staff of the School who have prepared the children for this very important day.

### First Communion – St John's

A meeting will be held this Thursday in the Day Care Centre at 7.30p.m., for all parents of First Communion children who will receive their First Communion in St. John's on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30a.m.

### LISTENING SESSIONS

The meeting for St John's parish with Bishop Freeman will take place in Newpark Hotel on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> at 8.00pm. All are welcome.

## Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

**Deaths:** Ellen Kavanagh (nee Walsh) – late of 21 Maudlin Street  
Margaret Keane, Altamount House  
Gavin McBride, 10 New Orchard. *Funeral from residence to St John’s on Monday at 5.30pm. Funeral Mass Tuesday, 11.30 am. Interment in St Kieran’s cemetery.*

**Anniversaries:** Sean Byrne (6.30p.m.); Willie, Nan & Noel Meany (10.30a.m.); Maurice Nolan (11.00a.m. Dunmore); Jim Kelly (12 Noon); Billy Byrne (7.30p.m.); Kathline Coyne; Margaret & Matt Deegan; Pauline Delaney; Joe & Tess Donohue; Margaret & Patrick Doran; Trish Grace; Michael Hayes; Margaret McCauley; Luke Murphy; Lil Nolan.

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10.30 a.m.	Paula Rodgers/Seamus Mahony
12.00 noon	Anne Marie Walsh
7.30 p.m.	Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell 10.00 a.m.	Betsy Rice/Teresa Dowling
Dunmore 11.00 a.m.	Liz O’Gorman/Niamh Holohan

## O’Loughlin Gaels Club Lotto

Numbers: 17; 18; 20; 25. Bonus No.27. No Jackpot Winner. 10 x Piltown Draw Tickets or €40.00. Next Weeks Prize Fund: €10,000.00.

## Lourdes Mass

The Mass for Lourdes will be held at 7.30p.m. on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

## St. Vincent De Paul

The monthly collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will take place on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May. We thank you for your continued support.

## Community Games

St. John’s Parish will be holding their annual Community Games track and field meeting this coming Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 5.45p.m. in Scanlon Park. We invite all children from the age of 6 to 16 to participate in the events.

## St. John’s Committee for the Elderly

The monthly meeting of St. John’s Committee for the Elderly will be held in the Presbytery on Monday evening at 8.00p.m.

## A Talk not to be missed

Tanguy de Toulgoet will give a talk at Kilkenny Flower Club next Thursday in Butler House at 8p.m. Tanguy is a gifted teacher and will give a prize of a gardening course to a lucky winner. Look up [www.dunmorecountrysschool.ie](http://www.dunmorecountrysschool.ie).

## Listening Sessions

The first two meetings have taken place during this past week. The group work on each night was followed by an open forum. Many people spoke from the heart about their feelings about the Church at this present time.

During this coming week Listening Sessions will take place in:

**Castletown ICA Hall** on the 10th May at 8.00pm; **Ferrybank Parish Hall** on 11th May at 7.30pm; **Newpark Hotel** on 13th May at 8.00pm. **Johnstown Community Centre** on 14th May at 8.00pm.

The remaining four meetings will be the following week:

**St Patrick’s Parish Centre** on 17th May at 8.00pm; **Callan Parish Hall** on 18th May at 8.00pm. **Canon Malone Hall Ballyragget** on May 20th at 8.00pm; **Castlecomer Community Hall** on the 21st at 8.00pm.

**Parishioners are invited to attend the venue for their parish but are welcome to attend one of the other gatherings if the date or venue is more convenient.**

These meetings will enable people to reflect upon the situation in the Church at this time, to speak with one another about the past and to reflect upon the present. Bishop Freeman will attend all of these meetings. It will be an opportunity for our bishop to hear the views and opinions from all parishes around the diocese.

## Divine Mercy

There will be an hour of adoration and prayer in the Friary Church on Sunday May 9<sup>th</sup> from 3p.m. to 4p.m. Please Come.