

**Remember! Clocks GO BACK at 2.00 a.m. on Sunday**

### **October Stations and November Offering Collections**

We thank all who have returned the October and November Envelopes. These collections are the parishioners' contribution to the support of the bishop and the clergy in the parish.

We invite all to return the list of their dead to the Church and place the list in the basket at the steps of the altar. Throughout the month of November, we remember all our dead in our prayers and masses.

### **Re-launch of Diocesan Website**

We are delighted to announce the re-launch of our diocesan website, [www.ossory.ie](http://www.ossory.ie), a complete online gateway to information and services available from the Diocese.

The Diocese is excited to offer a unique, user friendly, interactive website which will cater for the needs of all visitors: whether a visitor looking for Mass times in a particular church, a parishioner seeking the current address of a diocesan priest, a parent in the hunt for information on a particular school, a Minister of the Word preparing the text of the Mass readings for the following Sunday or a casual surfer searching for information on the Catholic Church in this particular part of Ireland. The new design, embedded videos and enhanced navigation will encourage exploration of the diocese and involvement with its many services.

### **Free Irish Catholic**

Next week's issue of the *Irish Catholic* will include a special report on parishes in Co. Kilkenny, including St John's. Parishioners are invited to take home a complimentary copy, available after all masses while stocks last.

### **Edmund Rice**

The Mass for the blessings of Edmund Rice on our lives and for his canonisation will be celebrated in Westcourt on Monday, November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. The Callan Co-Operative Society will organise the Liturgy. Please note the date.

### **Ossory Youth.**

*Ossory Youth* is starting a new youth club for 6<sup>th</sup> class students from Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5.00-6.30pm. It will take place each week. Minimum charge of €2 per week. The club is open to any 6<sup>th</sup> class student who is interested in hanging out with other young people their age and play pool, Wii and PSP3, arts and crafts, take part in movie nights, drumming workshop etc. Further information from Jacinta Purcell @ Ossory Youth on (056) 7761200 or (087) 8876366.

**Masquerade Ball:** To mark their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, *Ossory Youth* is holding a Masquerade and Black Tie Ball in the Springhill Hotel on 12<sup>th</sup> Nov. from 9pm to 1am for 14 to 19 year olds. Buffet and non-alcoholic bar. Ossory Youth: 7761200.

## ST JOHN'S PARISH – KILKENNY



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**31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**31<sup>st</sup> October 2010**

## **We Welcome Father Seán**

This weekend we extend the warmest of welcomes to our new Team Member, Fr Seán O'Connor. Many parishioners already know him as one of the two St Kieran's College priests who assist us with the celebration of Masses on Sundays in recent times.

Fr Seán, the youngest of a family of six, is a native of Clough-Moneenroe, where he went to Primary School. Having completed his Secondary School education in Castlecomer, he studied for the priesthood in the Seminaries of St Kieran's College, Kilkenny and St Patrick's College, Carlow. He was Ordained to the Priesthood in the Summer of 2000 and, incidentally, there has been only three priests Ordained for the Diocese since then.

Fr Seán's first appointment was to St Patrick's Parish where he served up to 2004. Since then he has served on the staff of St Kieran's College Secondary School up to the Summer of this year.

As he takes up his new appointment here in St John's parish, we wish him every blessing and success in facing the many joys and various challenges that he will, once again, encounter in parish pastoral ministry.

## Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

**Deaths:** Liam Brett, Inch Mills, Sion Road  
Patrick Kelly, Johannesburg, formerly Maudlin Street

**Month’s Mind:** Natalie Hunt (Sun 12 Noon)

**Anniversaries:** Alice & Richard Holden (Sat 6.30pm); Sr. Alacoque Manning, Sr. Imelda Manning & Sr. Aloysius Manning (Sun 10am Johnswell); John Buggy (Sun 10.30am); John & Madge Barry (Sun 11am Dunmore); Anne Delaney (Sun 7.30pm); Dermot Butler; Liam Cahill; Margaret Dooley; Thomas Dowling; Joseph Fitzpatrick; P.J. Marrinan; Josie & Elizabeth Melia; John & Rosaleen Moriarty; Séan Nolan; Theresa Parkinson.

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10.30 a.m.	Awele Onelum
12.00 noon	Bobbie Lahart
7.30 p.m.	Eileen Kinane
Johnswell 10.00 a.m.	Louise Whitely/Fiona Whitely
Dunmore 11.00 a.m.	Eddie Holohan/Liz Holohan

## O’Loughlin Gaels Club Lotto

Numbers: 5; 11; 16; 19. Bonus No. 20. No Jackpot or Bonus winner. 10 x Piltown Draw Tickets of €40. Next Weeks Prize Fund €14,000.00.

## Peace in Christ Retreat House

The Annual Collection for Peace in Christ will take place next weekend.

## St John’s De La Salle Reunion

The 50th Anniversary Reunion of 5th/6th Class St John’s De La Salle, Ballybought St. will take place on this **Thursday** at 6.30pm. in St John’s Senior School. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Jackie Robinson (past pupil) at 7.00 pm., followed by refreshments at School.

**Prayer for Vocations in St Fiachre’s on Thurs at 7.30 p.m.**

## Monday – Feast of All Saints

Tomorrow, Monday, is the feast of **All Saints** and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses in St John’s as on a Sunday: 8.00 & 10.30 a.m.; 12.00 noon and 7.30 p.m. Please note: **Sunday evening Mass will be at 7.30 p.m. as usual.** Saturday next is the feast of All The Saints Of Ireland.

## Tuesday – Feast of All Souls

Tuesday is the feast of **All Souls**. Mass will be celebrated in St John’s at 8.00am, 10.30am and 7.30pm. Please place your list of the dead in the Sacred Space at the Altar. The Holy Souls will be prayed for regularly during the month of November. The annual mass for those who have had a bereavement in the past year will be on Tuesday November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm.

## Next Friday – First Friday of November

The sick and the housebound will be visited at the usual times.

## O’Loughlin Gaels – Worthy Champs!

The whole parish joins in congratulating O’Loughlin Gaels captain, Martin Comerford, the whole panel of 32 players, and all the officials and backroom staff who brought such great joy and honour to our parish last Sunday in St Canice’s Credit Union’s Senior Hurling County Final. Well done to all concerned – especially in times when good news is a rare, but most welcome tonic. Now, the three-times-winners of the County Final, open the Leinster Championship this Sunday against Rathdowney/Erril in Portlaoise. We wish them all the very best in that encounter. So, please make the effort: they deserve all the support possible from all who can travel. The winners will then have a home game against the Dublin champions on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Rev. Dr. Dermot Ryan

We take the opportunity of welcoming Fr Dermot Ryan, who along with Mgr Kieron Kennedy, assist us with Sunday masses. Fr Dermot succeeded Fr Seán O’Connor as Chaplain to St Kieran’s College. He is also the Diocesan Director of Adult Faith Development. We are grateful and appreciate the help that Dr Dermot & Mgr Kieron afford our parish on Sundays and major feasts.

## Johnswell Sale of Work

The Sale of Work will take place in Johnswell Hall on Sunday November 14<sup>th</sup> at 2.00pm in Johnswell Hall. All are welcome and a great day for the whole family is promised. This sale of work will consist of the usual sideshows including cake stall, wheel of fortune, card games, bottle stall and a raffle on the day. There will be a number of Wheel of Fortune Spins for young people. This will be followed by our annual auction of timber, coal and Christmas cakes together with a large selection of household items (as new).