

## Ossory Vocations Promotion # 21

“The Lord looks on the heart.” Are you being called to do the deeds of Christ as a priest, proclaiming the reign of the loving mercy of God our Father?

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## Drugs Awareness & Gifts of the Holy Spirit

The “Drugs Awareness & Gifts of the Holy Spirit” program will continue on Monday at 8.00 p.m., for all candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

## Pilgrimage In Ossory

The second pilgrimage, for all those in the 20's, 30's, 40's, takes place on Slievenamon, this Sunday. Departure from the Cross at the base at 2.30 p.m.

## World Youth Day 2011

Young people from the Diocese of Ossory are invited to attend World Youth Day in Madrid in August 2011. If you are 18 years or older on the 1st August 2011 and would like to be part of this world wide pilgrimage please contact Fr Richard Scriven at 087 242 0033 or rscriven2009@gmail.com

## The Alzheimer Society of Ireland

Sponsored walk/run in aid of services for people affected by Alzheimer's in Kilkenny, Stoneyford 10k 22nd May at 12.30a.m. To sponsor participants or for sponsorship cards to take part contact: Ruth/Margaret at 77 71230.

## Monthly Rosary

The monthly rosary in James Green at the Statue of Our Lady this Sun. at 3p.m.

## Dochas Nasamu

Dochas Nasamu is holding a used clothing appeal of ladies, gents and children's clothes, shoes, household linens and soft toys on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> before 12 noon, inside gate entrances to the left. There will also be collection points in Dunmore and Johnswell car parks. For further information contact Marie on 087-689 0995.

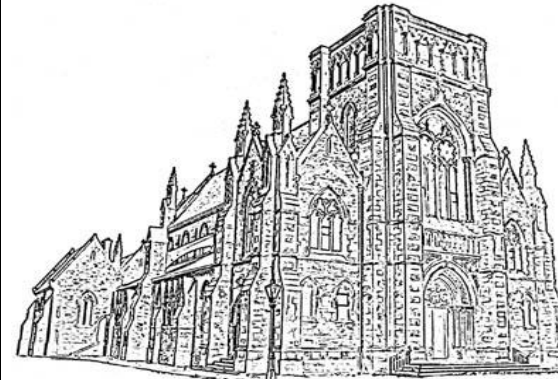
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## Fourth Sunday of Lent

**3<sup>rd</sup> April 2011**

## Happy Mothers Day!

In Europe there are several long standing traditions where a specific Sunday is set aside to honour motherhood and mothers. Mothering Sunday celebrations are part of the liturgical calendar in several Christian denominations, including the Catholic calendar, which is marked as *Laetare* Sunday, the fourth Sunday in Lent to honour the Virgin Mary. So today, wish a very happy Mothers Day to all our mothers.

## Vocations

A Vocations awareness evening prayer and workshop led by Fr Willie Purcell Vocations Director will take place in Mooncoin Parish on the 8th and 9th of April. Taize prayer and Adoration will take place in the Parish Church Mooncoin on Friday, 8th beginning at 7.30 pm. A workshop on fostering Vocations to the Priesthood in our Diocese will take place on Saturday, 9th, beginning at 11 am. All are invited to these two days of reflection on how we can as parishes foster Vocations to the Priesthood in our Diocese.

## Course – Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

The course for extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will continue at St Patrick's Centre, 8-9pm. Wed. 6th April - Speaker: Fr. Ollie Maher.

## Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

**Deaths:** Seamus Donnelly, 119 Newpark Close  
Con Davis, 37 Maudlin Street  
Fr Edmund Prendergast, formerly O’Loughlin Road  
Andrew Delaney, 11 Pinewood Avenue, Loughboy  
Liam Renuhan, Drakelands  
Eileen Kelly, Ballycallan

**Month’s Mind:** Johanna Tallis

**Anniversaries:** Eileen & John Martin (Sat. 6.30p.m.); Ken McDermott (Sun. 11a.m. Dunmore); Paddy & Kathleen Kiely (Sun 7.30pm); Nancy Bateman; John & Mary Brett; James Byrne; Jack Dowling; Tony Feighery; Nell & Paul Fennelly; Michael Long; Bobby & Patricia Quigley; Mary Shelly; Paddy Slattery

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8.00a.m.	Sean O’Grady
10.30 a.m.	Paula Rodgers/Seamus Mahony
12.00 noon	Anne Marie Walsh
7.30 p.m.	Marie Fogarty
Johnswell 10.00 a.m.	Josie Manning
Dunmore 11.00 a.m.	Eddie Holohan/Liz Holohan

## O’Loughlin Gaels Lotto

Numbers: 15; 20; 23; 24. Bonus No: 21. No Jackpot Winner. Next weeks prize fund €20,000.00

## Committee for the Elderly

St John’s Committee for the Elderly invite applications for the tenancy of No. 2 St. John’s Court. Applications to St John’s by 9<sup>th</sup> April.

## Johnswell Active Retirement

Johnswell Active Retirement Group will hold a meeting in Johnswell Hall on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30p.m. Flower Arranging Demonstration will be given on the night by Mrs. Maura Hanrahan. All are welcome.

## Community Radio – Kilkenny City – 88.7 FM

In cooperation with the other three city parishes with Kilkenny City Radio, we in St John’s will host a **FREE EIGHT-WEEK** course in Art (with Fiona Power) in the Day Centre on Tuesday evenings beginning Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> at 7.15 p.m. Registration from 7.00 p.m. All are welcome.

## CEART – PatientWise

A Self-Management course that helps you to deal with illness and how to improve the quality of your daily life will take place on: Tuesdays April 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, Time:10.00-12.30 at the Citizens Information Centre, The Parade. The full course costs €60 and includes a 380 page manual **‘Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions.’** For further information contact Anne Cody 087-9028534 or check the website [www.ceartpatientwise.ie](http://www.ceartpatientwise.ie)

## Al-Anon & Alateen

Al-Anon and Alateen offer hope for families and friends of problem drinkers. Phone helpline for local details **01-873 2699**. Al-Anon Meetings – Kilkenny: Mill Hill Missionaries, St. Joseph’s Waterford Rd., Tuesday 8.30p.m. Kilkenny Social Services, Wednesday 12.30p.m. St. John’s Hall, St. John’s Church, Friday 8.15p.m. for further information visit our website at [www.al-anon-ireland.org](http://www.al-anon-ireland.org)

## Christian/Gospel Music Concert

St Fiacre’s Church, Loughboy, will play host to a concert of Christian Gospel music at 7.00pm on this Sunday evening. The event, to raise funds to send young people with special needs to Lourdes this Easter, will feature The Cullinanes, a popular musical family from North Kilkenny, with support from local choirs, musicians and singers. Admission: €5.00

## Mrs. Quinn’s Charity Shops

We urgently require donations of the following: clothes; shoes, bridal or communion wear, hats, bric-a-brac, unwanted gifts; books, paintings, frames, curtains, sheets, duvets & linen, CDs, DVDs, videos and small furniture items. Mrs. Quinn’s are also currently recruiting new volunteers. Contact 087-139 4345.

## Blessed Edmund Rice

Mass for Blessed Edmund Rice will be in Westcourt on Monday at 7.30pm.

## Stillbirths and Miscarriages

There will be a Remembrance Ceremony for families who have suffered a pregnancy loss through Stillbirth or Miscarriage in St Fiacre’s Church, Loughboy, on Tues 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 30pm.