

Parish Mass Book

Last weekend we introduced the new Parish Mass Book. It is completely updated and reset to incorporate the changes to the texts in the revised Roman Missal. **This is the first of six editions and covers Year B, Volume 1.** In total, the Church Year has Cycle A, B and C, with Volumes 1 and 2 in each Cycle. We ask that they are well cared-for, and not removed from our churches. We understand that Readers for Mass may need to take one home for practice purposes. **If you wish to purchase one, you may do so at the Parish Office.**

Congratulations to Abby Ware

Congratulations to Abby Ware, 2nd Class, Johnswell National School, who has been selected as a finalist in the Doodle4Google competition. Abby is the only finalist from Co. Kilkenny. She is still in with a chance of winning €10,000 technology grant for her school. You can vote for Abby's doodle by visiting www.google.ie/doodle4google/2012/vote and selecting Abby's doodle in the 1st and 2nd category.

Kilkenny Federation for Victim Assistance

Our body of volunteers offer practical and emotional support to all victims of crime and traumatic incidents in Kilkenny and surrounding areas. We offer a free and confidential service and all our volunteers have been fully trained. If you wish to get in touch contact us anytime on 056 7770171.

Cancer Support Centre Kilkenny

Cancer Support Centre is a new vital project due for opening in early 2012. We are running the following fund raiser "Edward Hayden Cookery Demonstration", Langton's 8pm sharp, Thursday 23rd February. Admission €15.

Family Communication & Self Esteem Parenting Course

The Health Promotion Dept. of the HSE South are currently planning to run a Family Communication & Self Esteem parenting course in Kilkenny starting Wednesday 1st February. Contact Teresa Hennessy: 056 7761400.

Education Programme for Diabetes

X-PERT free education programme for people with Type 2 Diabetes. This six week, two and a half hour per week programme from Fri 17th Feb to 23rd Mar. Contact Frances Leahy, 056 7761400.

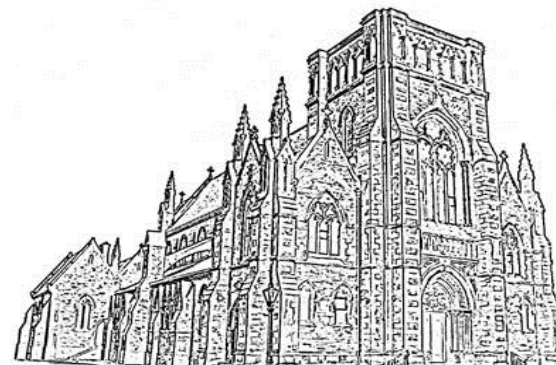
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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

29th January 2012

Parish Novena

The Parish Novena will take place from next Friday 3rd (feast of St Blaise) to Saturday 11th February. **This weekend we welcome Fr. John Hanna, a Member of the Team who will be promoting the Novena at Masses.** We look forward to our Novena being attended by greater numbers than ever this year, and to it being a great spiritual help and blessings to our parish and the people of Kilkenny city and beyond

Parish Social This Weekend

The **Annual Parish Social** takes place this Sunday night in Langton's House Hotel with dinner served at 8.30 p.m., Dancing to 'Cupla'. Tickets, €5, from Parish Office and the Sacristy. Come and join us for a great night out!

First Friday

Friday next is the first Friday of February. The sick and housebound will be visited at the normal times. Please inform the parish office or one of the priests if you have a relative or neighbour who would appreciate this service.

Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

Deaths: Christina Dunne, Old Callan Road.
Frank McEvoy, Hebron Road.
Anne Bolger, Rathbourne, Dublin Road. *Removal from Hehirs funeral home at 6.00 p.m. this Sunday to Clara church. Funeral Mass Monday 11.00 a.m. Interment – St Kieran’s Cemetery.*

Anniversaries: Dick Brennan (Sat 6.30pm) Elizabeth White (Sun 8.00am); Patrick Burke (Sun 10.30am); Séamus Holohan (Sun 12 noon); Tom Byrne (Sun 7.30pm); Philip Larkin; William Brophy; Jimmy Hogan; Paddy Foley; May Morris-Allen; Paddy Morris; John & Ellen Ryan; Edward & Mary O’Neill; Tomás Hackett; Annie Delaney;

Eucharistic Ministers For Next Weekend – Panel 1 Readers for Next Weekend – Page 60 (134 new book)

All page references from next week will refer to the new Parish Mass Book

8.00am	Ann O’Grady
10.30am	Kathleen Ferguson
12.00 noon	Bobbie Lahart
7.30pm	Ann Marie Grace
Johnswell	Josie Manning
Dunmore 11.00am	Liz O’Gorman

O’Loughlin Gaels Lotto

Numbers: 6, 7, 10, 21. Bonus No. 23. No Jackpot or Bonus winner. Next week’s prize fund €20,000

Ossory Vocations Promotion # 10

“Let each of you lead the life that the Lord has assigned, to which God has called you.”

If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, Call Fr. Willie Purcell. Ossory Vocations Office, St. Kieran’s College Kilkenny. 056 7770261/0876286858.
www.ossoryvocation.blogspot.com

St John’s Prayer Group Mass

Prayer Group Mass will be celebrated in the Day Care Centre at 8.15pm Wed.

‘You Shall Be My Witnesses’

Those who volunteered train to present this parish-based Confirmation Program are reminded that the training night is on Mon. at 7.30 p.m. in the Senior School.

Catholic Schools Week

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This year the theme for Catholic Schools Week is:

Catholic Schools: Christ’s living body active in our world.

It is a theme that immediately draws us to the Eucharist which is very appropriate as we prepare for the Eucharistic Congress in June.

At the heart of every parish and indeed every Catholic School is the celebration of the Eucharist.

The resources which have been sent to each school offer occasions for prayer and reflection that will help you to appreciate all the more the invaluable service you provide to children, parents and indeed the whole parish community.

It is my hope that during the coming week all of you in your schools will have an opportunity to participate in the Eucharist and give thanks that you are Christ’s living Body active in our world.

Praying God’s blessing on all of you in your schools and parishes

+ Séamus Freeman, SAC, Bishop of Ossory (Full text: stjohnskilkenny.com)

Lourdes 2012

The Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes, led by Bishop Freeman S.A.C. will take place from May 22nd. to May 27th. Bookings at: Glenmore@ossory.ie or 051 880414. The fare is € 720. Places secured upon receipt of full payment before April 12th.

Peace Proms Concert

Pupils from St. John’s Senior School will take part in the Peace Proms Concert at The Hub, Cillin Hill on Sat. February 11th at 2.00pm. The concert will feature the Cross Border Orchestra of Ireland, a professionally lead amateur orchestra, conducted by Gearoid Grant. Tickets at Essaness Music Shop, Kieran Street.

Johnswell Badminton Club Table Quiz

The annual table quiz for the Johnswell Badminton Club takes place on 10th February at 8.30pm in the Johnswell Hall.

St John’s Junior School

St John’s Junior School is currently accepting enrolments for September 2012. The closing date for receipt of applications is February 15th. Please ring the office at 056 7762888 for an application form.

The Samaritans

The Samaritans recruiting volunteers. Contact Dean Street 056 7765554.