

And Speaking of EMIGRANTS . . .

We are currently exploring an idea and would welcome your views/comments. Naturally, we would also welcome any generous sponsor who might be willing to help get this project off the ground!

In recent years, a growing number of parishes, inside and outside the country, are reaching out pastorally to their sick, those in nursing homes, the housebound and to all their parishioners spread throughout the country and the world, by means of a 'live webcam'. Through the webcam, masses, services, weddings and funerals can, if desired, be relayed through the internet as they actually happen. It's hugely popular with 'Expats' who regularly login to their home parishes as a real visit and connection with home, as well as for spiritual nourishment. Nowadays, most families would have someone able to set up their PCs for the inexperienced, or indeed, connect their computer, via HDMI, to the telly.

Lenten Stations

Thank you for your Lenten Stations which go towards the support to your bishop & priests. If you have forgotten, you can hand them in at your convenience.

Have you Seen . . . ?

Many new photographs have been added to the parish website. A selection from recent events, The Congress Bell (from MacDonagh to St John's) and the Novena Youth Mass (both courtesy of Luke Leydon), as well as ones from the Parish Social. To take a look, visit stjohnskilkenny.com.

Novena to St Joseph

Mill Hill Missionaries' Novena to St Joseph begins on Sunday 11th March and finishes on Monday 19th March, the Feast of St Joseph. Novena Mass and prayers each evening at 8.00pm in our Chapel at Mill Hill Missionaries, St Joseph's, Waterford Road.

Please Support Chernobyl Children – Nappy Appeal

On Mon., Tues., & Wed. of this week, enjoy a free tea or coffee at Treats by Cramers Grove at McDonagh Junction, when you donate a pack of nappies to the Nappy Appeal. On Thursday Celine at the Pennyfeather Restaurant above the Book Centre is hosting a nappies for coffee morning from 9.a.m. to 12 noon.

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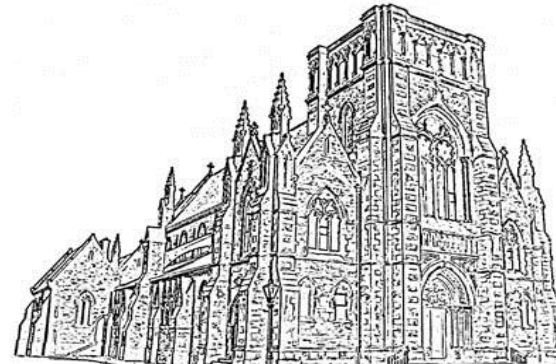
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Third Sunday of Lent
11th March 2012

Mass Times For Saint Patrick's Weekend

St Patrick's Day (Saturday):

St John's: (Fri. vigil): 6.30 p.m.; 8.00 & 10.30 a.m., 12.00 noon, 6.30 p.m.

Johnswell: 10.00 a.m.

Dunmore: 11.00 a.m.

Sunday:

St John's: 8.00 & 10.30 a.m., 12.00 noon, 7.30 p.m.

Johnswell: 10.00 a.m.

Dunmore: 11.00 a.m.

Remembering Our Emigrants On Our National Feast

You are invited to write the names, the city and the country of any family members, relatives or friends who are living and working abroad, in the **Emigrant's Book** at the back of the church.

This book will be placed in the Sanctuary at all Masses during St Patrick's weekend when all our Emigrants will be prayerfully remembered.

Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

Deaths: Teresa O’Leary, 27 Shandon Park
Adrian Harkin, Rose Inn Street
Thomas Clifford, 14 Pearse Street
Michael Cahill, 23 Old Callan Road
Ellen McCabe, Rosemount Lodge, College Road
Breda Egan (née Brennan), 24 The Sycamores. Funeral Mass this Sun. at 2.00 p.m. in St Canice’s. Interment in Conahy cemetery.

Anniversaries: Bridie Herlihy (Sat 6.30pm); Michael Manning (Sun 10.00am); Margaret Nolan & Paddy Brennan (Sun 11.00am); Liam & Mary Malone (Sun 12 noon); Paddy & Kathleen Kiely (Sun 7.30pm); Nora & William Lacey; Sean Byrne; Anastasia Brennan; Maureen Burke; Bridget & Bernard Taylor; Michael Dowling; John & Kitty Cleere; Brigid Mallon; Captain Bill Mockler; Ellen Kelly; Patrick Brennan.

Eucharistic Ministers For Next Weekend – Panel 1 Readers for Next Weekend – Page 162 new book

8.00am	Ann Marie Hogan
10.30am	Kathleen Ferguson
12.00 noon	Bobbie Lahart
7.30pm	Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell	Linda Shore
Dunmore 11.00am	Fiona McGeary & Nora Guilfoyle

O’Loughlin Gaels Lotto

Numbers: 1, 5, 8, 19. Bonus No. 7. No Jackpot or Bonus winner.
Next week’s prize fund €20,000

Kilkenny ICA

Enjoy the ICA Irish night this Mon., 8pm in the Club House Hotel. Adm. €10.

Divine Mercy

Divine Mercy Hour of Adoration in the Friary, Sunday, from 3pm to 4pm.

Newsletter

As we approach St Patrick’s weekend, please note that all items for the newsletter must be in the parish office by *Thursday lunchtime* at the latest.

St John’s Junior School Enrolments

St John’s Junior School is currently accepting enrolments for September 2012. Please ring the office at 056 7762888 for an application form or for an appointment to visit the school.

Confirmations – Ceremony of Light – Friday 10.30 a.m.

The 10.30 a.m. Mass next Friday in St John’s will incorporate *The Ceremony of Light*, (or *Handing on The Light of Faith*,) for parents and their children for Confirmations. The Confirmation Ceremony is on Saturday week at 11.00 a.m.

First Reconciliation

First Confessions (Reconciliation) in Johnswell Church on Tuesday at 7.30 p.m., and in St John’s on Wednesday at 7.30 p.m.

Parish Pastoral Council

PPS meeting in the Presbytery on Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m.

Statio Orbis – Final Opportunity For Tickets

Anyone wishing to attend the closing Mass of the Eucharistic Congress which will be held in Croke Park on June 17th must have a ticket. To secure a ticket, a fully completed form, with €10, must be returned to your parish by this Friday. *Currently there are only 12 tickets allocated to each parish.* Further information from the website: www.iec2012.ie

St. John’s Committee for the Elderly

St John’s Committee for the Elderly would love to hear from parishioners willing to give instruction in (1) Basic Computer Skills, (2) Flower Arranging, and (3) Crafts at the Day Centre on Monday and Tuesday of each week. If you can help in any way, please contact Martin 086 3944224 or Maura 086 8758798

Ossory Vocations Promotion # 16

“We proclaim Christ crucified...the power and wisdom of God.”

Could Jesus be calling you to proclaim His life, death and resurrection as a priest? Call Fr. Willie Purcell. Ossory Vocations Office, St. Kieran’s College Kilkenny. 056 7770261/0876286858. www.ossoryvocation.blogspot.com

Trócaire

During Lent we remember those who are in great need. Trócaire gives us a wonderful opportunity to do so. Every house is invited to take a Trócaire Box and use it during this season.. They are available in the Church porch.