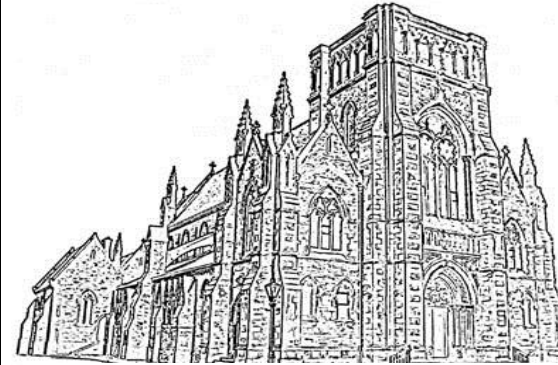


## ST JOHN'S PARISH – KILKENNY



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**Third Sunday of Easter**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012**

### Thank You

We take this opportunity so thank all who contribute so generously to all parish collections. Thanks those who support the 'Envelope Collection' on a weekly or yearly basis, and we also thank those who contribute the parish by means of a *Standing Order* through the Bank.

All proceeds of the *Envelope Collection* and *Standing Orders* go exclusively towards the running costs of your parish. As you see from the table of accounts above, there are very large running costs involved in a parish of this size.

*Although conscious of these recessionary times, we do appeal to all our parishioners to maintain, commence or recommence, some regular contribution towards the running costs of our parish if at all possible.*

*With God's blessing and all good wishes. Many thanks to all,  
Frs Frank, Seán & the Parish Finance Committee.*

**Login to [stjohnskilkenny.com](http://stjohnskilkenny.com) to join our Masses on church webcam!**

### Next Sunday – Vocations Sunday

To mark Vocations Sunday (Apr. 29<sup>th</sup>) a Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood in our Diocese will take place in St John's next Friday at 7.30 p.m.

Theme: 'The call to Priesthood'. It will be led by Fr Willie Purcell, National Vocations Director. We hope that a big turnout of our parishioners will take the time to come and pray, as the need for more 'workers in the vineyard' are more urgently needed than ever.

***"Now by this we may be sure that we know Him, if we obey His commandments."***

Jesus wants to make Himself known to you through the vocation He chooses for you. Will you obey His call to the priesthood?

Call Fr. Willie Purcell, Ossory Vocations Office, St Kieran's College.

056 7770261/0876286858. [www.ossoryvocation.blogspot.com](http://www.ossoryvocation.blogspot.com)

### St John's Prayer Group Mass

Prayer Group Mass will be celebrated in the Day Centre, 8.15pm on Wednesday.

### Kilkenny Choir

Next Sunday at 8pm in St Canice's Cathedral, The Kilkenny Choir will perform *Cherubini's* wonderful *Coronation Mass* in G with full symphony orchestra. Also short works by *Haydn* and *Brahms*. Conductor: P. Edmondson. Tickets €20/€15.

## Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

**Deaths:** Nora Hennessy, formerly 39 Altamont Park  
Mary O’Hanlon, Emmet Street  
James Cuddihy, England, formerly 28 Bishop Birch Place  
Martin Holohan, Tullow formerly Conahy

**Month’s Mind:** Nicko Butler (Sat 6.30pm)  
Caidin Hennessy  
Jackie Matthews (Sun 10.30am)

**Anniversaries:** Betty Connelly (Sun 8.00am); Peggy Tynan (Sun 11.00am); Marie Hehir (Sun 12 noon); Martin Ryan (Sun 7.30pm); Delia Larkin; Bernadette McDermott; Mary Ellen Monagle; James, Mary & Catherine Byrne; Billy Connick; Thomas Dowling; Jack Mahoney; Mary Muldowney; Kevin Shortall; Ellen Walsh; Mary Brennan; Mary Crotty; Mairead Dowling; Elizabeth Geoghegan; Thomas & Noel Fry

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8.00am	Ann O’Grady
10.30am	Kathleen Ferguson
12.00 noon	Bobbie Lahart
7.30pm	Ann Marie Grace
Johnswell	Betsy Rice & Teresa Dowling
Dunmore 11.00am	Fiona McGeary & Nora Guilfoyle

### O’Loughlin Gaels Lotto

Numbers: 1, 4, 8, 23. Bonus No. 28. No Jackpot or Bonus winner.  
Next week’s prize fund €20,000

### First Saturday Devotion

First Saturday Devotion takes place in St Fiacre’s Church on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May after 6.15 Mass. Prayers and adoration will end at 9pm. All are welcome.

## Finance Committee Meeting

A Finance Cmttee meeting takes place on Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in Presbytery.

### Tax Rebate Scheme

This weekend, ‘*Chy2*’s and ‘*Self Assessed*’ receipts are being mailed to all those to whom they apply. If you are a PAYE worker and receive a “Chy2” form please fill it in where required and return it to the Presbytery as soon as possible. If you receive a “self assessed” receipt, please give it to your accountant or whoever handles your accounts, and as usual, you are requested to increase your donation to the parish this year by the amount of the tax refund you receive. Thanks to all who contribute in any way towards the day-to-day maintenance of parish property and staff; and as the Rebate Scheme is a very important source of parish income, we ask you to address this matter as soon as possible..

### Kilkenny/Carlow Contact

Kilkenny/Carlow Contact (a befriending organization for the elderly) are holding a volunteer information day for Newpark and the surrounding areas which will take place in the Newpark Close Family Resource Centre at 2.30pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>. Can you spare an hour a week to help the elderly in your neighbourhood? Call in on the day to find out what it’s all about or alternatively, contact Frank Cody 056 7723309 Newpark FRC or Eleanor Doyle 086 8530994.

### Table Quiz

Table Quiz in Cleere’s Pub, Parliament Street on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> at 8.30pm in aid of GROW Mental Health Movement/Ceart Patientwise. €5 per person.

### Life in the Spirit

During the next two months talks will be presented at *The Black Abbey*, over the course of 7 Tuesdays starting April 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. The first night will be opened by Mr. Joe Dalton. The final night (5<sup>th</sup> June) will be led by Bishop Freeman.

### Pieta House

Pieta House, Centre for the Prevention of Self-harm or Suicide *DARKNESS INTO LIGHT 5K EVENT* is on in 14 venues around Ireland – Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 4.00am (early morning). Sign up for this unique experience. Visit our web site: [dil.pieta.ie](http://dil.pieta.ie) to find the venue nearest you or contact Pieta House DIL office at 01 6282111. This event is symbolic of the work of Pieta House, darkness into light, despair to hope.

### Painting Classes

Painting Classes will take place every Wednesday evening from 6.30 to 8pm in St John’s Day Centre. Further details contact Fiona: 087 6129096. All are welcome.