

Ossory Vocations Promotion #32

“The measure that you measure with will be measured back to you.”

If you think you may be called to serve Jesus as a priest, Call Fr. Willie Purcell.
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Pilgrimage to Lough Derg

Pilgrimage to Lough Derg from Sunday 22nd July to Tuesday 24th July. Book before July 20th. Coach departs Kilkenny, the Parade at 7.00am. For more information contact 056 4441264 & 087 2535989 or denis@buggy.ie.

St. John’s Homes for the Elderly

St. John’s Homes for the Elderly Committee monthly meeting on Wed 4th July at 7.00 p.m. in the Presbytery.

‘Talitha Cum!’

Mark sometimes likes to interrupt a story he is telling with another story. We hear an example of it today with the healing of Jairus’ daughter and the woman with a haemorrhage. At first glance these stories might not seem to have a lot in common.

The woman, a complete social outcast because of her condition, is called ‘daughter’ by Jesus. Her social status is completely reversed; she is a child of God, not some outcast that can be shunned by the community.

The synagogue official surprises us, pleasantly, with his faith in Jesus and his message, not something that those in religious leadership were credited for.

What these two characters have in common is faith against all the odds.

There are those in the story who laugh when Jesus says he can bring back Jairus’ daughter. They are sent away.

Jesus’ healing breaks down all the barriers that isolate us from one another and from God. Not only that, faith in Jesus can even give us new life and help us to overcome things that keep us from being free: ‘Do not fear; just keep on believing.’

Mark leaves un-translated Jesus’ own native language of Aramaic when he utters that beautiful phrase: ‘Talitha cum’ – meaning: ‘Little girl, get up!’

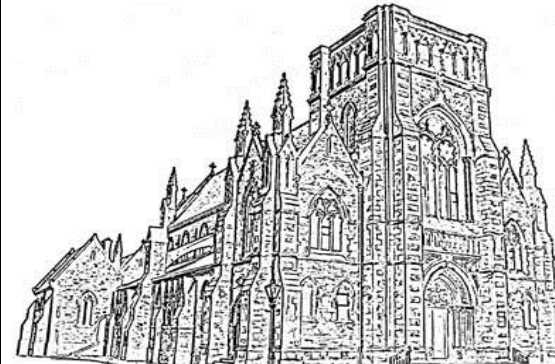
The girl has been given new life; the woman has been given new life also. Both have overcome those barriers that were keeping them from being free.

We know what those barriers are for each of us as we reach out searching in faith and hope: ‘Talitha cum.’

When Jairus asked Jesus to come and cure his daughter, some thought there was no point. Sometimes a situation can look like a lost cause.

Has it ever happened to you that subsequent events showed there was hope where you thought there was none?

ST JOHN’S PARISH – KILKENNY



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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st July 2012

Thank You

We wish to express our gratitude to all who helped at, and attended, Friday night’s cemetery mass in St Kieran’s Cemetery. We thank God for the fine weather, and we thank all those who undertook their various jobs and ministries that helped the celebrations run so reverently and smoothly. It was a very fitting and prayerful tribute to all our departed loved ones.

Dunmore & Johnswell Cemetery Masses

The annual Cemetery Mass in Dunmore and Johnswell Cemeteries will be celebrated on Friday evening next at 7.30pm.

Great preparations have already been made, and your family plots are a credit to all concerned – including the excellent caretakers of these cemeteries.

In the final few days there’s more to be done to finish our preparations for this huge annual occasion as we honour our dead.

Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

Deaths: Gerard Quigley, Roberts Hill, formerly Newpark Close
Marie Coyne, St Fiacre’s Place
Paddy McKillin, Kilrea, Co. Derry
Enda Cantwell, St Mauls. *Funeral prayers in his parents’ home, Springmount, Waterford Rd at 11.00 a.m. Tuesday with removal to St Mary’s Cathedral for 12.00 noon mass. Interment in Foulkstown Cemetery.*

Month’s Minds: Nicholas Hoban (Sun 10.00am)
Neddy Bergin (Sun 7.30pm)

Anniversaries: Mary Carey (Sat 6.30pm); Tom O’Neill (Sun 10.30am); Thomas McEaney (Sun 12 noon); Peggy Lanigan, Michael Tosh O’Connor; Paddy Doheny; John Fitzgerald; Milly Murphy; Tom & Nancy Murphy; Betty & Patrick O’Sullivan; Michael Wall; Teresa Kennedy; Muriel O’Brien; Christopher Pratt; Nick Kavanagh

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8.00am	Anne Marie Hogan
10.30am	Peggy Wall & Declan Wall
12.00 noon	Tony Dalton
7.30pm	Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell	Linda Shore
Dunmore 11.00am	Philip Comerford & Esther Comerford

Divine Mercy

Divine Mercy Hour of Adoration and prayer will take place in the Friary Church on Sunday July 8th from 3pm to 4pm.

First Friday

Friday next is the first Friday of July. 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.

Certificate in Theological Studies Programme Saint Kieran’s College

This programme ran for the first time last year with a group of 25 participants. It was a resounding success and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The course aims at providing religious education, faith formation and spiritual enrichment for those actively engaged in parish life or in the pastoral care of people, young and old. The course would be of enormous help and value to people involved in teaching at primary level or indeed for those finding themselves teaching R.E. at second level without any formal training or qualification in the area.

The programme is a Level 7 Certificate accredited by St Patrick’s College, Maynooth. It provides a solid foundation for any of these fields of ministry and a suitable springboard for further specialization. Above all it helps create confidence and conviction for future volunteers in the life of the parish and the church.

The programme runs for 24 weeks, Sept. – May, Mondays and Thursdays, 7.00 – 9.30 p.m., with modules in the Old & New Testament Scriptures, Church History, The Church – past and present, Moral Theology, Liturgy & Sacraments. For further details apply to Declan Murphy, Course Director, St Kieran’s College 087-9081470 or 056-7721086; email declanmurphy@ossory.ie.

The Lord’s Prayer

As a way of support for families of missing persons, please say The Lord’s Prayer at 3.00pm on Sunday 1st July. If enough people respond to this request, the power of this prayer may move someone to give that little nugget of information allowing a family to locate their loved one.

First Saturday Devotion

First Saturday Devotion will take place in St. Fiacre’s Church, Loughboy on Saturday July 7th after 6.15pm Mass. Prayers and adoration will end at 9pm.

Rosary

The monthly Rosary on the first Sunday in James Green at statue of Our Lady of Kilkenny continues this Sunday 1st July at 3 o’clock.

Login to stjohnskilkenny.com to join our Masses on Church Webcam!