

## Walk The Camino This Summer, 31st May 2014

- 7 days in the beautiful hilly and historic surroundings of Northern Spain.
- See the Sights and Cultural Highlights of the Camino De Santiago.
- Flights, transfers, accommodation and a meal per day included.
- Anyone aged 18-65 can take part, no hiking experience needed just a basic level of fitness.
- All funds raised will go to Youth Programmes, Clubs and Opportunities for Young People in the Diocese of Ossory.
- For details call into Ossory Youth or contact Dave on 0567761200

### Computer Classes

Computer Classes for beginners will commence at Dunmore Community Hall in early March. To book your place please call 086-2428715.

### Kilkenny Business Club

“A Healthy Mind, A Healthy Workplace” event takes place next Friday in Hotel Kilkenny from 3.45 – 6pm. Guest speakers include Mr Conor Cusack, Dr Harry Barry and Ms Niamh Hayden. All proceeds go to Kilkenny Samaritans. Tickets from Declan Mccann 0867722201.

### Acts of the Apostles

‘An Introduction to the Acts of the Apostles’ with Fr. Michael Mullins on Thursday, February 20th, 2014 at 7.30 p.m. at Integritas, Ennisnag, Stoneyford, Co. Kilkenny. (Tel. No. 056-7728902/www.integritas.ie)

### Used Clothes Appeal

Dochas Nasamu Orphanage, in Nairobi, holds a used clothing appeal next Friday from 10.45am to 12pm, at the entrance to the Old Mart Grounds.

### The Quay Book Club

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February from 11.30-12.30pm. Title for discussion: Philomena by Martin Sixsmith.

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**The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
16<sup>th</sup> February 2014**

## The Kilkenny Novena A Great Success

The seventh Annual Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help – conducted each year by the Redemptorists – has been a great success this year, despite the inclement weather conditions. The general feedback from those who made the novena has been extremely positive, and everyone seems to have enjoyed and appreciated this annual source of spiritual renewal and refreshment. Sincere thanks to this year's team, Fr Derek Ryan and Fr Denis Luddy - our parishioners are deeply grateful to you.

As well as thanking all who attended the novena, we express our gratitude to all the many volunteers who prepared the way for the Novena, and all who assisted in any way at each of the three daily sessions. So many played their part that it's impossible to name them, but it was fantastic cooperation. A big 'Thank you' to the Children and staff from the Parish Schools for the beautiful Mass on the Friday morning, and to all the young people and helpers who prepared the Mass on Friday night.

Thank you and well done to all involved in this year's Kilkenny Novena.

## Deaths – Month's Minds – Anniversaries

**Deaths:** Mai Maharaj, Bleach Road.

**Months Mind:** Teresa Barcoe;  
Chrissie Bergin;

**Anniv:** Francie Murphy (6.30pm); Paddy McGuinness (10.30 am);  
Edward McEvoy (11.00 am); Joseph Lawlor (12.00 noon);  
Brigid & Michael O'Connor (7.30pm); Peter & John O'Rourke;  
Seán Moloney; Mary Phelan; Noelle Meaney; William Tyrrell; Colm  
Kennedy; Daphne Phelan; Liam Reidy; Michael Brennan; Joan Tallis;  
Seamus Culleton; James Dooley; Kathleen & Charles Bartholomew;  
Smiler Kealy; Catherine & Tommy Ryan; Tomás Hackett;  
Thomas Duggan; James McGrath;

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8.00am	Nora Webster & Margaret Leahy
10.30am	Mary Hanafin & Seamus Mahony
12.00noon	Anne Maria Walsh
7.30pm	Anne Marie Grace
Johnswell 10.00am	Sean Colgan
Dunmore 11.00am	Mark Brennan & Tom Comerford

## Ossory Vocations Promotion #12

*You have heard God's commandments. Keep them and pass them on. Nurturing the faith is part of the Christian vocation.*

If you think God is calling you to be a priest, visit our website at [www.ossory.ie/vocations](http://www.ossory.ie/vocations) or contact Fr. Willie Purcell at [ossoryvocdir@gmail.com](mailto:ossoryvocdir@gmail.com). Tel: 056 7770261.

## Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

This year the three training nights for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist will take place consecutively, thereby enabling people to undertake the course in one week.

In the Middle Deanery (i.e., Kilkenny City and surrounding parishes) the course will run from 11<sup>th</sup> to the 13<sup>th</sup> March.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Speaker: Fr Dermot Ryan; Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March – Speaker: Fr Oliver Maher; Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March – Speaker: Mr Ken Maher.

### *'You Shall Be My Witnesses'*

*You Shall Be My Witnesses* is a parish-based program widely regarded as being most suitable and beneficial for children preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Tomorrow evening, Monday, at 7.30 p.m.**, the 66 candidates for Confirmation – comprising of pupils from St John's Senior, Johnswell and The Model schools – will begin this four-week program in St John's Senior School.

Sixteen volunteer-parents are ready to conduct the program, having been trained by its author, Ms Maeve Mahon from the Diocese of Kildare & Leighlin.

We look forward to 100% turnout, and we thank, in anticipation, the Volunteers as well as all Parents for cooperating in this crucial element of preparation for our Parish Confirmation Day, scheduled this year for Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 11.00 a.m.

## Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2014

Pilgrimage takes place from May 22<sup>nd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> incl. The Cost is €775p.p.s. For all bookings, for both Regular and Assisted pilgrims, please contact Glenmore Parish Office on 051 880414, email; [glenmore@ossory.ie](mailto:glenmore@ossory.ie). Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10.00am – 2.30pm, Friday 9.15am-12.15pm.

## Johnswell Badminton Club

Thanks to all who took part in the Table Quiz on January 31<sup>st</sup> in the Hall. Congratulations to the prize and raffle winners.

Thank you to every-one who came, especially those who came long distances for this popular annual event. Special thank you to our sponsors.