

**Next Sunday – World Day of Prayer for Vocations**  
**Theme: Exodus, a Fundamental Experience of Vocation**

**Prayer for Vocations**

God, Our Father, Thank you for your son, Jesus, our Good Shepherd, who leads us to fullness of life. By our baptism, we are called by name to continue the mission of Jesus. Give us the grace to listen with an open heart to the voice of Jesus and to respond generously with a joyful spirit. Strengthen the men and women you called to serve through marriage, the single life, the diaconate, priesthood, and consecrated life. Guide all who are discerning their Christian vocation. In gratitude we offer this prayer through Jesus and the Holy Spirit, united with you forever. Amen.

**Christ Has No Body**

Christ has no body but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks Compassion on this world, Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good, Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands, yours are the feet, Yours are the eyes, you are his body. Christ has no body now but yours, No hands, no feet on earth but yours, Yours are the eyes with which he looks compassion on this world. Christ has no body now on earth but yours. **Saint Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)**

**Prayer for Guidance for young people**

Lord, I know you love me and have great plans for me. But sometimes I am overwhelmed by the thought of my future. Show me how to walk forward one day at a time. May I hear your call to a life which will allow me to love as only I can, and allow me to serve others with the special gifts you have given me. Amen

**St Mary's Restoration Fund Draw**

New members are needed and encouraged to join St Mary's Cathedral Fund Draw. Please consider playing a part in this major task of restoring our Cathedral to its former beauty as a worthy centre of worship in our Diocese.

Parish promoters: *Ann Brennan, Áine Butler; Teresa Trehy; Paul McKiernan; Peggy Wall; Veronica McGuane; Jane Dineen; Mgt. Hanlon; Marian Eardly; Ann Marie Hogan; Kay Foley; Eddie Langton; Linda Nolan; Brian Roche; Tracey Maher & John Lennon.*

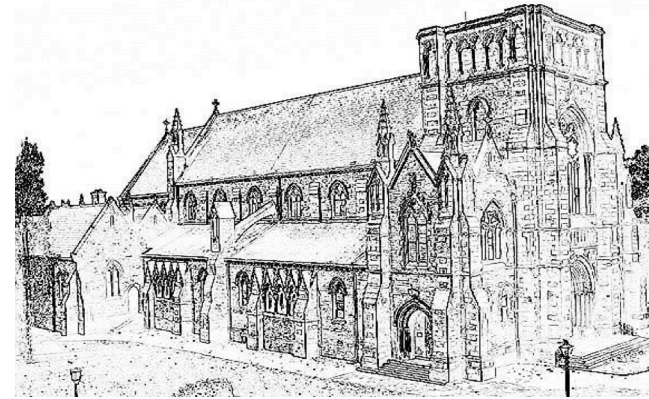
**Cois Nore**

Table Quiz in aid of The Cois Nore Cancer Health Centre to be held in Rafter Dempsey's pub on Friary St on Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> 8.30pm. Tables of four €20.

**Pilgrimage to Knock**

Pilgrimage Knock on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May. Contact Ann on 056 7722204.

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**Third Sunday of Easter**  
**19<sup>th</sup> April 2015**

**Confirmations**

Bishop Séamus Freeman, SAC, will visit our parish next Saturday and confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on the girls and boys from St John's Senior School, Johnswell School and The Model School. We urge you to keep them all in your prayers. The ceremony begins at 11.00 a.m. on Saturday morning (no 10.30 mass).

**Ceremony Of Light**

The final parish preparation for all Confirmation children and their families, "The Ceremony Of Light," takes place in St John's tomorrow (Mon) at 7.30 p.m.

**Trócaire**

Please return any further Trócaire Donations now so as to close the a/c this week.

**Eucharistic Ministers Meeting**

A meeting of all Eucharistic Ministers for St John's Church will take place this Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April in the church at 7.30 p.m. This will comprise of a Prayer Service followed by settling rota arrangements for the coming year and any other practical issues that may arise.

## Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

**Deaths:** Collette Deevy, Newpark.  
Christy Burke, Assumption Place.

**Month’s Mind:** Jimmy Leahy (7.30pm).

**Anniv:** Fintan Ryan (6.30pm); Kay Kelleher (8.00am);  
Patrick Dooley (10.00am); Nicholas Ivory (10.30am);  
Eamonn Walsh (11.00am); Bridie Herlihy (12.00 noon); Joe Whyte;  
John Brennan; Mary Wiles; Annie & Thomas Dowling; Kevin Shortall;  
Patrick, Mary & Seán McGrath; Paddy & Billy Cleere; Bernadette Snow;  
Anne & Noel O’Dwyer; Michael, Mary & Ger O’Brien; Mairéad Dowling;  
Thomas & Noel Fry; Elizabeth & Edward Geoghegan; Brigid Kelly;  
Ellen & Edward Delaney.

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8.00am	Ann O’Grady
10.30am	Kathleen Ferguson & Saoirse Ryan
12.00noon	Bobbie Lahart
7.30pm	Marie Fogarty
Johnswell 10.00am	Kevin & Laura Murphy
Dunmore 11.00am	Philip Comerford & Esther Comerford

## Weekly Envelope Collection

Thanks to all who contribute and those who pay by Standing Order. S.O. forms available in Parish Office.

## Ossory Vocations Promotion #21

*“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 or Email.  
Fr. Willie Purcell Ossory Vocations Director: [ossoryvocdir@gmail.com](mailto:ossoryvocdir@gmail.com)  
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## An Garda Síochána – Crime Prevention Advice

### *Parking at Churches and Graveyards*

Theft from cars and other vehicles is a common crime in Ireland today. Ideally, property should not be left unattended in cars or other vehicles. However, if you must, please bear in mind the following:

- Ensure all windows are closed and all doors are locked
- Ensure that your alarm / immobiliser is set
- Do not leave property on view inside your vehicle
- Do not leave cash, credit/debit cards, cheque books or other valuable items inside your vehicle
- Do not leave personal documents as this can facilitate identity theft or lead criminals to your home address
- Be particularly careful with laptops, mobile phones and other small electronic items as the data they contain may be very attractive to the thief.
- Do not place property under the seat – it’s not a secure location & is often seen.
- If you must store property in your vehicle, place it in the boot but do so at a location other than the area where you intend to park.
- Avoid parking in isolated places and, at night-time, park in a well-lit area
- Consider retracting, where possible, your wing mirrors as flush as possible to the doors to avoid criminal damage.

While driving, be alert to your surroundings:

- Keep all doors and windows locked.
  - Keep valuables out of sight - do not leave property on seats in open view.
- Most modern cars are all fitted with immobilisers and alarms. If you do not have an immobiliser, consider fitting one. These all help to deter vehicle theft.
- Lockable wheel nuts** have proved effective against the theft of wheels, particularly high value alloy wheels. Lockable petrol caps are also available.
- When you leave your car, even a short period, do not leave keys in the ignition.
  - Do not leave car keys in open view on kitchen or hall tables, window sills, counter tops or within reach of the front door. It is not uncommon for thieves to remove keys using a ‘fishing rod’ or similar through the letterbox.
  - At bed-time, take keys with you but remember, if challenged, that your personal safety, and that of your family, is more important than protecting your car.
  - Do not attach a tag to your key ring which shows your name and address.
  - Avoid leaving portable Sat Navs in your vehicle. Do not programme your Sat Nav to indicate your home.
  - Be alert to your surroundings and people approaching your vehicle.
  - Keep your doors locked and windows closed.
  - If possible, avoid quiet streets and roads, particularly after dark.
  - When stopped in traffic, always leave room between you and the vehicle in front to facilitate an emergency getaway. Avoid being ‘boxed-in’.