

Society of St Vincent De Paul

Monthly collection takes place this weekend 17th & 18th July. Thank you for your continued support.

St. James of Santiago de Compostela

“To celebrate the Feast of St. James of Santiago de Compostela, a pilgrim mass of blessing will be held in St. Mary’s Cathedral, James Street at 11.00am on Sunday 26th July. Afterward a Camino walk will take place beginning at Jenkinstown Church at 2.00pm and walking through the park. Later that evening a showing of the film ‘The Way’ will take place in the Chapter Room, St. Mary’s Cathedral at 7.00pm. All welcome.”

Youth 2000

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, Cistercian College, Roscrea, Co. Tipperary from Thursday 13th – Sunday 16th August.

For more information and to book online see www.youth2000.ie or phone 01 6753690.

Fibromyalgia coffee morning

Fibromyalgia support group will meet each Tuesday morning at 11.30 a.m. in Meubles cafe (lift on ground floor).

For enquiries call: Doris - 086 2346491 or Tommy - 086 1080291.

Arthritis? Ouch...

A drunken man, smelling of beer, sat in the bus next to a priest. The man's tie was stained, his face was plastered with red lipstick, and a half empty bottle of gin was sticking out of his torn coat pocket.

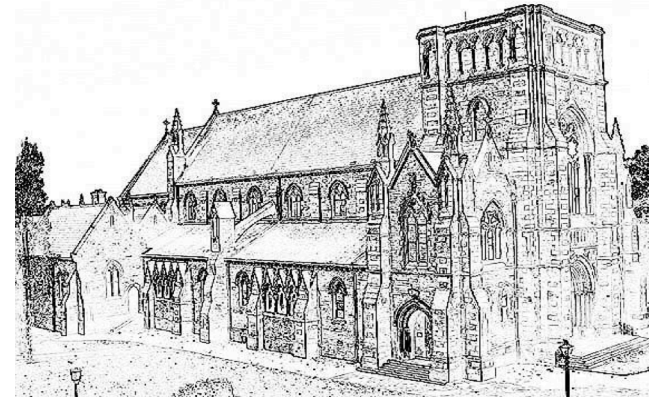
He opened his newspaper and began reading. After a few minutes the man turned to the priest and asked, "Say, Father, what causes arthritis?"

"My Son," said the priest, "it's caused by loose living, being with cheap, wicked women, too much alcohol, and a contempt for your fellow man."

"Well, I'll be damned," the drunk muttered, returning to his paper. The priest, thinking about what he had said, nudged the man and apologized. "I'm very sorry. I didn't mean to come on so strong. How long have you had arthritis?"

"I don't have it, Father," he said, "but I was just reading here that the Pope does."

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
19th July 2015

Certificate in Theological Studies *faith – seeking – understanding*

Saint Kieran's College offers its new course in Theological Studies beginning in September and finishing in May (Level 7 – 20 credit ECTS).

Aims of the Course:

- To provide general theological education and formation in the main aspects of the faith.
- To provide the theological background needed for lay involvement and leadership roles at parish and diocesan level.

Course Duration:

- 100 hours, part-time, over one academic year from September to May.

For application form and further information please contact Declan Murphy M.A., St Kieran's College.

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Forms can be downloaded from: www.stkieranscollege.ie or www.ossory.ie

Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

Deaths: Ger Malone, Golf Links Road.

Anniv: Frank Power (6.30pm); Martin Manning (10.00am); P.J. Mealy (10.30am); Tom & Christy Brennan (11.00am); Liam & Patsy Davitt (12.00 noon); May Tyrrell (7.30pm); Kitty Larkin; Carrie Coyle; Gina Fleming; John Joe Dowling; Mary, William & Liam Butler; Eamonn Reidy; John Feehan; Bridget & Pat Murray; Peter Daly; Danny Galvin; Patrick Phelan; Kate & Christopher Burke; Richard & Stephen Cassin; Elizabeth & Charles Murphy; Seán Brennan;

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8.00am	Seán O’Grady
10.30am	Seamus Brennan & Deirdre Dowling
12.00noon	Mary Lynch
7.30pm	Ann Fitzpatrick
Johnswell 10.00am	Paul McKiernan
Dunmore 11.00am	Eddie Holohan & Liz Holohan

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 #34

“He had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd.”

Please pray for those called to be shepherds. Call or Email. Fr. Willie Purcell Ossory Vocations Director: ossoryvocdir@gmail.com 056 7770261.

“Christ, Our Hope” – Críost Ár nDóchas

The Irish Catholic Bishops Conference will celebrate a National Eucharistic Congress on the weekend of 26th-27th September 2015 at Knock Shrine, Co Mayo.

The Congress will serve both as a spiritual preparation for the 51st International Eucharistic Congress 2016 in Cebu next January, and as an opportunity to focus in the light of our Eucharistic communion, on some of the important pastoral questions in the life of the Church at the present time.

The theme for the National Congress, echoing the theme of IEC2016, is “Christ, our Hope” (Col 1:27).

It is our intention that, in so far as possible, this theme would be reflected in all homilies and presentations given at the National Eucharistic Congress.

The Congress, which is free of charge, will have a particular focus on Marriage and the Family as well as the Year of Consecrated Life and the upcoming Jubilee of Mercy.

The programme is currently being finalised but will include:

- Over 40 workshops and talks; •Children’s Programme; •Youth Space;
- Perpetual Adoration; •Sacrament of Reconciliation; •Liturgy of the Hours;
- Concert of Praise and Worship; •Candlelit Procession; •And a lot more!

“Deserted” Places

Jesus calls us to seek out “deserted” places and times where and when we can realize the possibilities of bringing restorative justice and reconciling peace to our families and communities.

From the clamour of the marketplace and the demands of our diaries and “to do” lists, we need time and space to hear the voice of God speaking in the quiet of our hearts, to put aside our angers and fears, our egos and need for control, in order to re-orientate our lives in the things of God and re-create our world in the compassion of his Christ.

