### **GROW** - Family Fun Day

To Celebrate Mental Health Week - Free Family Fun Day' will take place next Sunday Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> from Time: 1-5pm at Auxilary Hospital, Wolfe Tone St.

### **World Homeless Day Concert**

Fr Ray Kelly, supported by the Friends of the Good Shepherd Choir, will perform at a Concert on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October in St Canice's Cathedral at 8pm. Tickets available at Porter, 91 High Street or from the Good Shepard Centre or at www.thegoodshepardcentrekilkenny.ie. Admission - Adult €20, Concession: €15.

## Family & Life

Family & Life presents – 'The way forward for Ireland's Prolife Movement' on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in Springhill Court Hotel. Guest speakers include John Waters, Vicky Wall of Every Life Counts and Paddy Manning.

#### **Book Launch**

'Hope – A Collection of Short Stories' by Josie Funcheon will take place next Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in Langtons. All are welcome.

# John Waters Family & Life

John Waters, Vicky Wall of Every Life Counts and Paddy Manning will speak on 'The Way Forward for the Pro Life Movement', Thursday 11th Oct in Springhill Court Hotel, Kilkenny at 7:30pm in the Kilkenny suite 1. Sponsored by Family & Life. All welcome!

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#### **PASTORAL COUNCIL**

Mary Brennan; Alan Burke; Margaret Cleere; Paul Colgan; Fr Brian Griffin; Siobhán McKiernan; Fr Lorcan Moran; Aidan Phelan; Fr Frank Purcell; Pat Ryan.

#### **SAFEGUARDING**

#### If you have a safeguarding concern contact

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person, Mr Cathal Cullen, 087 100 0232 - dlp@ossory.ie

Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are:

Kathleen Ferguson; Phil Curran; Brenda Whitely; Marian Eardly.

# Parish Of Saint John The Evangelist

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#### **MASS TIMES**

St John's – Sundays & Holy Days: Vigil: 6.30 p.m.; Sun: 8.00 a.m., 10.30 a.m., 12 noon & 7.30 p.m.

Polish Mass: 2nd Sun. monthly, 2.00 p.m.; Weekdays: 8.00 a.m. & 10.30 a.m. (Sat. 10.30 a.m. only)

Johnswell – Sunday 10.00 a.m.

Dunmore – Sunday 11.00 a.m.

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - 7th October 2018

# Dunmore Bicentenary Celebrations Today

The whole parish joins in congratulating and wishing the Dunmore Community all our best wishes as they celebrate the Bicentenary of their church - The Church of The Most Holy Trinity - this afternoon at 3.00 p.m.

Thanks to lots of hard work and planning, the community is poised to make this historic event a very appropriate and memorable one. Dunmore church is always worth a visit if you are ever passing by - just drop in to say a quiet prayer and experience its peace and tranquillity while listening to the Lord and his promptings.

In two weeks time, October 21st, the Johnswell Community will celebrate a similar event - the Bicentenary of their local church - The Church of Saint John The Baptist.

Like Dunmore, the morning 10.00 a.m. Mass will be cancelled, and the Bicentenary Mass and Celebrations will begin at 3.00 p.m.

Again, for catering purposes. it's important to sign the book at the back of the church in Johnswell if you are planning to attend the meal afterwards.

# Men's A.C.T.S. Weekend Del la Salle Pastoral Centre, Castletown, Co. Laois

(Adoration, Community, Theology, Service)

The next men's A.C.T.S. weekend will take place from Thursday evening October 11<sup>th</sup> & Sunday morning 14<sup>th</sup>.

Take time out for yourself on a weekend of prayer, reflection, peace, tranquillity and camaraderie among a group of like-minded men. For information or to book your place please contact Seán Colgan on 086 6005511.

#### BEREAVEMENTS

#### **Recently Deceased:**

Sr Sheila Nolan, Dublin & late of the Sion Road.

Michael O'Brien, Callan Road.

Fr Nicky Duggan, Sacramento, USA and late of Glenmore.

Bernard Prendergast, Killenaule, Tipperary.

Mick Brophy, Rhuelane, Johnswell; Funeral prayers Sunday @ 6pm in Hehirs followed by removal to Johnswell Church for Requiem Mass Monday @11am.

**Anniversaries:** Michael O'Driscoll (6.30pm); Eleanor Molloy, Johnny Parker & Kathleen Beale (10.30am); Liam Nolan (12.00 noon); Joe Cleere (7.30pm); Bridget McKenna; John & Ellen Dowling; Billy Maher; Biddy Slattery; Tommy Fanning; Tom & Mary Dowling; Elizabeth James; Patty & Billy Rein-

hardt; Mary Kate Morris; Eileen Barry; Liam O'Gorman; Elizabeth Rooney.

### Readers for Next Weekend - Page 143

6.30pm Bridget Ahearn 8.00am Ann Marie Hogan

10.30am Seamus Brennan & Deirdre Dowling

12.00noon Mary Lynch 7.30pm Ann Fitzpatrick Johnswell 10.00am Fiona Whitely

Dunmore 11.00am Bernard O'Gorman & John McGourty

**Eucharistic Ministers for Next Weekend - Panel 2** 

#### Weekly Envelope Collection

Last week's envelope collection: €1,005.

Thanks to all who contribute weekly, monthly and annually, as well as those who pay by Standing Order. Your support is greatly appreciated.

# Day for Life - 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018

'The trade in human beings violates the God-given dignity of so many or our brothers and sisters and constitutes a true crime against humanity.'

Pope Francis

We Pray for the victims of human trafficking that they may be helped to rebuild their lives after the traumatic experiences they have gone through. Amen

Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death.

We pray for those working to protect and help the most marginalised and vulnerable people in our society – the unborn, the sick, the dying, the homeless, the lonely. May God continue to guide them in their work.

# Mass Intentions for the coming Week

Tuesday: Elizabeth James (10.30am).

Thursday: Elizabeth Rooney (10.30am).

Saturday: Philip Walsh (6.30pm).

Sunday: Albert Bolger (10.30am).

O.N.E. Mass (12.00noon). Kathleen Murphy (7.30pm).

#### **OCTOBER STATIONS**

The October Station envelopes will be distributed during the coming week.

We thank you in advance for your generous contributions which go towards the salaries of your priests and towards our obligation towards the Bishop's salary.

We also thank all the distributors for their faithful work.

#### **Black Abbey**

Feast of the Holy Rosary – Rosary will take place this Sunday on 7<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm.

#### **Our Lady of Fatima**

The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima Blessed for Peace for Ireland will visit St. Fiacre's Church, Loughboy on Wednesday 17th October. Procession of the Statue at St Fiacre's Church followed by the Rosary and Mass at 7pm. Please join us in our Prayer of Petition and Thanksgiving to God and Our Lady for Peace.

#### **Monthly Rosary**

The Monthly Rosary on the first Sunday of the month at the statue of Our Lady of Kilkenny on St James's Green takes place this Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 3.00pm.

## **First Responders**

The Eastern Environs Defibrillator Group is hosting a First Responders information evening in O'Loughlin Gaels GAA Club on Tuesday 9th October at 7.00pm. If you would like to train in CPR and help the Ambulance Service, then come along on the night. You can help save lives.

## Youth Ministry - Can you help?

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October, a Net Ministries Team of 8 enthusiastic young adults (aged 20 – 25) from Canada, Scotland and Northern Ireland will arrive in Kilkenny to run a Pizza & Prayer day for transition year students.

Accommodation for the team is required. If any parishioners are willing to accommodate two or more of the Team Members on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October for one night, it would be very much appreciated. Please contact Aine at 7721072.