

**St. Mary's Cathedral Chapter House
Bookshop**

St. Mary's Cathedral, Chapter House Bookshop welcomes you to visit the shop which is now open 5 days a week.

Monday 9.30am till 1.00pm
Tuesday - Friday 9.30am till 5.00pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

The public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues in St. John's Church between 11.00am and 1.00pm on Wednesdays.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for June

Pope Francis' monthly prayer intention this June is for "those fleeing their own countries." The prayer intention is entrusted to the entire Catholic Church through the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network during the month in which the United Nations commemorates World Refugee Day on 20th June.

Bereavement Support Line

The Bereavement Support Line, set up by the Irish Hospice Foundation in partnership with the HSE, is a freephone service available mornings Monday to Friday. It provides a confidential safe space for those who have lost a loved one. Bereavement Support Line: 1800 807 077. Mon - Fri; 10.00am to 1.00pm.

An Exam Prayer

God stay close to me today
Guide my study and light my way.
Ease my nerves and comfort me
With peace and love so tenderly.
May I remember the things I need
And understand all I study and read.
May I strive to give my best
And do myself justice in each test.
May the topics I know and like appear
On the exam paper to lessen my fear.
And during the moments I may feel stressed
I'll try to remember the ways I'm blessed.
And if there are times that I feel at sea,
Help me to trust that you're here with me.
Amen.

Dates for Your Diary

St. Kieran's Cemetery Mass

Friday, 28th June @ 7.30pm

Dunmore and Johnswell Cemetery Masses

Friday, 5th July @ 7.30pm

Parish Pilgrimage to Knock

Wednesday, 21st August. Fare: €20. Booking at Parish Office.

Scripture Study Group

This parish group continues in the Presbytery at 7.30pm on Thursday evenings. All are welcome.

Address: St John's Presbytery, Dublin Road, Kilkenny. R95 ND2W

Email: stjohns@ossory.ie **Website:** www.stjohnskillkenny.com

Office: 056 772 1072; **Secretary:** Áine Butler; **Office Hours:** Mon-Fri 9.30 a.m. - 2.00 p.m.

Newsletter Deadline: Thursdays 12.00 noon **SVP Help Line:** 086 895 1239

Fr Dan Carroll: 087 907 7769. Fr Raymond Dempsey: 089 497 1924.
Monsignor Michael Ryan (Retired)

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

**Fergal Brennan; Mary Brennan; Jo Browne; Alan Burke; Fr Dan Carroll;
Claire Coogan; Fr Raymond Dempsey; Luke Leydon; Iris O'Flynn; Karena Phelan.**

IF YOU HAVE A SAFEGUARDING CONCERN CONTACT

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person, Ms. Ailish Higgins, 085 802 1633 - dlp@ossory.ie

OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES ARE:

Brenda Whitely; Marian Eardly.

Counselling Services - Towards Healing Confidential Helpline
1800 313 316 - www.towardshealing.ie

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MASS TIMES

St John's – Saturday: 6.00pm (Vigil); **Sunday:** 8.00am, 11.30am & 7.00pm.

Holy Days: 6.00pm (Vigil); 8.00am, 10.30am & 7.00pm.

Adoration: Wednesdays at 11.00am. **Weekdays:** 8.00am, 10.30am. (Sat. 10.30am only).

Johnswell - Sunday 10.00am

Dunmore - Sunday 11.00am

Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 9th June 2024

The Liturgical Year

The Church's liturgical year is made up of six seasons (Advent, Christmas, Lent, The Sacred Paschal Triduum, Easter and Ordinary Time) running from December (Advent) through to the end of November (The Feast of Christ the King).

At this time we re-enter the period called Ordinary Time in the Church's calendar. While the word 'ordinary' suggests everyday, common and bland, 'ordinary' means a season of 'ordered time'. Usually, 33 or 34 weeks in total, Ordinary Time is divided into two sections: one span of 4-8 weeks after Christmas Time and another lasting about six months after Easter Time.

This year we will read St. Mark's Gospel at Sunday Mass; the first and second readings are from the letters of Paul and Peter and readings from the Prophets and writers of the Old Testament. The readings will take us through the life of Jesus revealing to us the teaching, healing and mission of Christ inviting us to enter into the Mystery of Christ more fully.

Generally speaking, the vestments will be green; white vestments are worn on the significant feasts of Christmas, feasts of Our Lady and commemorations of the saints who are not martyrs. Red vestments are worn on Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Pentecost Sunday and on days when we remember the martyrs. Violet is worn during Advent and Lent.

During Ordinary Time the commemoration of the saints will be prominent, and feasts of Our Lady will be celebrated – Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, The Assumption, Our Lady Queen of Heaven, Our Lady of Sorrows, the Feast of the Holy Rosary.

Look to Jesus for the Answers

Young Catholics who feel that society is adrift should find inspiration and encouragement in their Christian calling to advocate for the poor and marginalised, Pope Francis said. Across cultural and ideological backgrounds, modern people "sense there is something wrong with humanity and the world, that we cannot simply go on as we have been doing, that there is a need for a conversion, a new effective orientation," the Pope said in a message to German Catholics meeting at 'Katholikentag,' or 'Catholic Day,' a five-day gathering in Erfurt, Germany, that brings together lay Catholics and political and religious leaders to debate the Church, faith and a theme.

The Pope told participants that Christ's teachings indicate that there is new direction to be taken, and one sought by those in humankind who reject the rising threats to human rights due to "rising antisemitism, racism and other ideologies that tend toward extremism and violence."

The Universe

Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life." John 8:12

Remembering Our Loved Ones Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Mattie Byrne, Old Golf Links Road.
Eugene Tyrrell, Meadow Way. Requiem Mass Sunday at 11:30am,
Internment in St Kieran's Cemetery.
Martin Murray, Graiguenamanagh. Tom O'Donovan, Callan
Josie Redmond, Peterborough, UK.

Months Mind: MM Catherine Babs Foley (6.00pm)

Anniversaries: Matthew Redmond (6.00pm); Thomas Comerford (10.00am); Brendan Conway (7.00pm); Mary Dermody; John Jnr. Day; Fr Ragheed Ganni; Josie, Catherine & Michael Delaney; Patricia Casey; Daisy Purcell; Tony & Ger Malone.

*Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day.
Unseen, unheard, but always near! Still loved, still missed and very dear.*

Readers for Next Weekend

6.00pm Claire Coogan
8.00am Padraig O'Neill
10.00am Theresa Dowling
11.00am Stephanie Butler & Roger Curran
11.30am Kathleen Ferguson
7.00pm Eileen Kinane



Attendance/Collections Last Weekend

Envelope Collection:		€2,180.00
Mass	Attendance	Baskets
6.00pm St. John's	86	161.00
8.00am St. John's	93	438.00
10.00am Johnswell	36	104.00
11.00am Dunmore	57	156.00
11.30am St. John's	200	654.00
7.00pm St. John's	<u>110</u>	<u>320.00</u>
	582	€1,833.00

St John's Senior School Family Fun Day

St Johns senior School have organised a Family Fun Day for next Sunday the June 16th 2-5pm at the school grounds. All in St John's community are very welcome to attend especially if you have kids at the school or past pupils etc. Attractions include, Shooting Range, Coconut Shy, Inflatable Obstacle Course, Music and much more... €5 for 6 Activity Tickets.



Kilkenny Great War Memorial

The Kilkenny Great War Memorial Committee will hold a short ceremony at the memorial in MacDonagh Railway station this Sunday the 9th June at 4.15pm to remember those from Kilkenny who served and died in World War II. Reenactment Groups and vehicles will be on display from 2.00pm to 6.00pm. All are welcome to attend.

Medjugorje - Evening of Prayer

Rosary, Mass, Adoration, Prayer for Healing will take place in St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy on Monday, 10th June at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

Thought for the Day

Having moved recently into grandmother mode I'm out of step with the parents of children sitting exams in the month of June. One June I watched an elegant grandmother sitting in a café, waiting for her granddaughters. They arrived wearing green school uniforms and looks of exam weariness. She stood up and enfolded them in large hugs and ordered hot chocolates with marshmallows on top. We can do very little as parents as grandparents: we can't live their lives for them: we can't sit their exams; we can't expect them to be like us; all that matters is for them to be themselves and to like themselves.

But we can offer hot chocolate and hugs, and sometimes that's enough.

Anne Thurston, Small Wonders (Veritas Publications)

Mass Intentions for Week Beginning 10th June

Saturday: 6.00pm Philip Drohan
Jake Brennan
Sunday: 10.00am Kit, Oliver & Baby Bill Bennett
11.00am Joan Costigan
Mary & Dan O'Hanlon
11.30am Michael Brett
David Blondie Hanlon

Please note we may transfer an anniversary Mass on the occasion of a funeral.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace.

Parish Webcam

Masses and Services in St. John's Church are broadcast on stjohnskilkenny.com and on 106.8FM. Inform those who are unable to attend.

Weekdays
8.00am and 10.30am.
Saturdays
10.30am and 6.00pm.
Sundays
8.00am, 11.30am 7.00pm.
Holy Days
6.00pm (Eve) 8.00am, 10.30am 7.00pm

Corpus Christi Procession

Thanks to those from our parish who took part in the Corpus Christi procession at St. Kieran's College last Sunday afternoon. About two hundred people - including a number of boys and girls who received their First Holy Communion this year - gathered in bright sunshine to honour Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament. It was wonderful to see so many people from the City Pastoral Area and beyond come together to celebrate this wonderful feast - it was reminiscent also of the ordination weekend at St. Kieran's College when the people from Kilkenny came to the College to receive the First Blessing of the newly ordained priests.

Parish Pilgrimage to Knock

St. John's Parish annual pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Wednesday, 21st August. The coach is filling up quickly so book soon or risk disappointment. Cost for return coach trip is €20. We will stop at suitable locations for those who want to enjoy a cooked breakfast or evening meal. Further details and booking at the Parish Office - 056 772 1072.

C'mon the Cats

This weekend Derek Lyng's team get set to meet Dublin in the Leinster Senior Hurling Championship Final. Best wishes to the management and Kilkenny team especially our O'Loughlin Gaels Club members. Throw in at 6.00pm in Croke Park. Wishing all who are travelling a safe and enjoyable day and hopefully bring home some silverware!



Anam Cara Tipperary

Anam Cara Tipperary the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Wednesday 19th June at 7:15pm in the Horse and Jockey Hotel, Thurles. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online meeting. For more information, please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 288 8888

Lough Derg Pilgrimages

Three day pilgrimage season begins this weekend and continues until 15th August (13th August is the last day to begin) booking advised, concessions for students, seniors and groups. See www.loughderg.org. For information email info@loughderg.org or telephone 071 986 1518.