

Cois Nore

Outreach Cancer Support Centre available in the following parishes from 10 am to 12 noon:
Monday: Ballyragget – Dr. Hogan’s Rooms
Tuesday: Callan – Droichead Family Resource Centre
Wednesday: Castlecomer – Old Court House
Thursday: Thomastown – Community Centre
Friday: Urlingford – Mill Family Resource Centre
Telephone: 087 4833941 or
Email: outreach@coisnore.ie for an appointment or drop in during the above times.

Celtic Brothers in Concert

Following a brilliant concert in the Cathedral of the Assumption, Thurles two years ago, the very popular Celtic Brothers are making a return trip and are set to light up the aisles with their unique take on many contemporary classics. Come along and enjoy an evening of great music with the Celtic Brothers starring The Willoughby’s in the Cathedral, Thurles – Friday, 27th September. All proceeds to Cathedral Reroofing Project. Tickets now on sale in Thurles Parish Centre (0504 222 29), Bookworm (0504 222 57) and Holycross Abbey Shop (0504 431 24). Book early to avoid disappointment.

The University of Galway

The University of Galway is running a Master’s Programme in AgInnovation and is seeking adult learners of any age who want to make a difference to rural Ireland. You may have the seed of an idea and need to invest in learning how to get this to market. You may want to change how you run your farm. You may want to use a Level 9 Master’s Programme to get you a promotion where you can instigate change. Whatever you need from it, there is no formal education required – application is based on an interview. We are simply seeking people who want to innovate. It is a one-year programme combining weekly on-line zoom classes (2 hours per week) and one Saturday class per month in the university. Supported by Springboard with funds from the Government of Ireland and the EU, the programme is subsidised [90% if employed, 100% if unemployed]. If you are a self-starter with the seed of an idea, this programme is a once in a lifetime opportunity. To find out more about this Master’s Programme, log on to <https://springboardcourses.ie/details/14235> or email the Programme Manager at walterbernard.carlson@universityofgalway.ie or call 083 095 1714. Applications close on 31st August. Thank you.

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

Email: stjohns@ossory.ie **Website:** www.stjohnskilkenny.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

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 1st September 2024

The Season of Creation

The season runs from 1st September, the World Day of Prayer for Creation, and ends 4th October, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology. At this time we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action as the world’s 2.2 billion Christians come together to care for our common home. Creation is not given to humanity to use and abuse, rather, humanity is created to be part of Creation and to care for it.



The annual Season of Creation Lecture: “Developing an Eco-Spirituality - To Hope and Act with Creation” will be held on 19th September at 7.30pm in Renehan Hall, St. Patrick’s College Maynooth. Fr. Xavier de Bénazé SJ will explore eco-spirituality and *Laudato Si’* through different perspectives which reflect on the current environmental crises and how eco-spirituality is part of the solution. To register for this event please email cmurphy@jcfj.ie

Fr. Joseph Lubula

This weekend we welcome Fr. Joseph Lubula back to our parish. Fr. Joseph is a priest of the Diocese of Lugazi in Uganda. He will be with us until the end of September. Fr. Joseph’s mother died two weeks ago and we are delighted that he has made the decision to make his planned return to Kilkenny. Please give him a warm Kilkenny welcome!

Book Fair in Aid of Irish Pilgrimage Trust

A sincere thank you to all who donated books, CDs, money and their time to our Book Fair which was held in aid of the Irish Pilgrimage Trust recently. It was a huge success. The total for raised was €2,735. **A Big Thank You to all!** Your donations will go a long way in helping to provide a holiday/pilgrimage to Lourdes for a young person next Easter.

The Olympic Bell

During the Paris Olympic Games, track and field champions rang a bronze bell located close to the finish line in the stadium. Later this year the bell will be placed in the newly re-opened Notre Dame Cathedral in Parish.

The cathedral’s rector, Father Olivier Ribadeau Dumas, was contacted a few months before the Paris Olympics to see if the Paris Cathedral would be interested in this bell for Notre Dame. The bell, weighing 1,103 lbs was made by the Cornille Havard foundry located in Normandy. The same company has been responsible for the restoration of eight of these nine bells in the cathedral, after they had been damaged during the fire of 15th April 2019.

The Olympic Games bell will join two other bells, newly cast by the same company, which will be placed inside the cathedral. These three bells will ring together during Mass, at the moment of the consecration. They will replace the bells that were used before the fire completely destroyed that site.

Remembering Our Loved Ones Who Have Died

Recently Deceased: Deirdre Finnegan (nee Meredith), Bennettsbridge and late of Glendine. Johnny Lacey, Loughboy. Reposing at Johnston's Funeral Home from 2.00pm on Sunday, Removal at 5.30pm Sunday to arrive at St. Fiacre's Church at 6.00pm for Rosary and Prayers. Requiem Mass at 10.30am on Monday followed by burial in St. Kieran's cemetery. Sr. Catherine Walsh, Troyscourt. Martin Glendon, Sheastown.

Anniversaries: Joe Doheny, Laurence & Ann Morrissey (6.00pm); Marian Phelan (8.00am); Tom Ryan (11.00am); Eileen O'Connor (11.30am); Mary O'Brien, Edward Ryan (7.00pm); Fran Phelan; Anne McDermott; Mary Barry; Fr. Liam Holohan; Kitty Saunders; Pat Wood; Sheelagh & William Lynch; The Cassin Family; Bernard Doyle; Louise Kealy; William (Billy) Burke; Eileen O'Connor; Bernard & Bridget Taylor; Walter & Rita Mahoney; Muggers Larkin.

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day.

Readers for Next Weekend

6.00pm Bridget Ahearn
 8.00am Pdraig O'Neill
 10.00am Teresa Dowling
 11.00am Esther Comerford & Tom Comerford
 11.30am Kathleen Ferguson
 7.00pm Eileen Kinane



Attendance/Collections Last Weekend

Envelope Collection:	€1,067.00		
	Mass	Attendance	Baskets
6.00pm St. John's	93		265.00
8.00am St. John's	75		298.00
10.00am Johnswell	32		145.00
11.00am Dunmore	170		222.00
11.30am St. John's	235		447.00
7.00pm St. John's	122		384.00
	727		€1,761.00

First Friday of September

Next Friday is the First Friday of September. The sick and housebound will be visited at the usual times. Please inform the Parish Office or one of the priests if you have a relative or neighbour who would like this service.



St Joseph's Young Priests' Society

The St John's branch of the St Joseph's Young Priests Society will hold their first meeting after the summer break in the Presbytery on this Monday at 11.00am. All are very welcome.

Relics of Saint Bernadette of Lourdes

The relics of St. Bernadette of Lourdes will visit St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday and Sunday, 21st and 22nd September. This very special, once-in-a-lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the special gifts and charisms of Lourdes. "It will be source of great joy and inspiration for the people of Ireland" - Archbishop Eamon Martin. Details later. See www.stbernadette.ie.

Side by Side Club

The Side by Side will resume next Thursday, 5th September after the summer break. The Club meets every Thursday from 2.00pm to 5.00pm. Should you require any further information please contact Helen on 083 406 8148.

Mayfair Library Events

A programme of free events for older people commences on Friday, 6th September at 11.00am and will continue on Fridays until 1st November. Ageing Well, Dementia Awareness, Healthy Homes & Community Safety are among the topics. Mayfair Library 056 779 4174.

Adult Literacy for Life (ALL)

Do you or a family member need to improve your reading, writing, maths or digital skills? We can help. All courses are free. Contact: Kilkenny Adult Learning Service (KCETB) 056 776 3149 or freephone 1800 20 20 65 or email allinnovation@solas.ie

Mass Intentions for Week Beginning 26th August

Monday: 10.30am Fr. Liam Holohan MHM
 Thursday: 10.30am Fran Phelan
 Saturday: 10.30am Anne McDermott
 Mary Barry
 6.00pm Imelda McPhilomy
 MM Maurice McCreery
 MM Ann Walsh
 Sunday: 11.30am Theresa Byrne
 Martin Shelly
 Michael & Michelle Reynolds
 7.00pm Bernadette Hayes
 MM Philomena Shiel

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

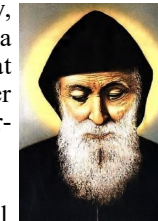
Parish Webcam

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,

Visit of the Relic of St. Charbel

The Relic of St. Charbel will visit the Dominican Black Abbey on Sunday, 1st September from 4.00pm to 6.00pm. During the afternoon there will be a talk on the life of St. Charbel and novena prayers concluding with Mass at 6.00pm. There will be an opportunity for blessing with the relic after Mass. All are welcome. For further information please contact Fr. Willie Purcell, 087 628 6858.



A Mystic and Maronite hermit, St Charbel was born in 1828 in Lebanon and at the age of 20 became a Maronite monk at Annaya Abbey. As a hermit, Charbel was famous for his spiritual gifts. He spent almost a quarter of a century displaying many miraculous abilities and was noted for his love of the Holy Eucharist.

St. Charbel died in 1898. He was beatified in 1965 and canonized in 1977 by Pope Paul VI. There are over 26,000 miracles attributed to the intercession of Saint Charbel Makhlouf since his death in 1898.

Alliance Française

The Alliance Française in Kilkenny are starting their French classes again, with enrolment on Tuesday, 10th September from 7.00pm in the Club House Hotel (where the classes will be run). So, if you are a beginner and want to know what do you say after you say "Bonjour", or you want to revive your school French, or get better value from your French holiday or are good at French but just need a chance to practice it and build on that, well, there are classes for all levels. There are also classes for Leaving and Junior Cert students. The teachers are native French but very patient with the struggling Irish. And you get an appreciation of French culture in the Cultural Evenings each month, and you can watch a carefully chosen French film each month in the Watergate Theatre. So discover some Joie de Vive at the Alliance Française. See www.afkilkenny.org for more details.

The Priory Institute

Study Theology Online, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before September 17. Find out more on prioryinstitute.com Click [here](#) to see a 2 minute introductory film .

Thank You From Fr. Dan

Thank you for all your kind messages of sympathy and support on the occasion of my brother Jim's death. Thanks to all who called to Jim's family home for the Rosary and Vigil Prayers and to those who attended the Requiem Mass. Thank you for your ongoing prayers. They are much appreciated by all our family.