

church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer



PARISH NEWSLETTER

2nd August 2020



Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord

Anniversaries

Margaret (Madge) Kavanagh
(Sat. 7.00pm.) Bowden's Court.

Thomas (Tommy) Dowling
(Sun. 11.00am.) 21 Marymount.

Sally Kelly (Mon. 10.00am.)
Kilkenny St.

John Murtagh (Tues. 9.00am.)
Kilkenny Road.

Catherine Byrne (Wed. 9.00am.)
Barrack St.

Billy Dooley, Jim & Alice Dooley &
P.J. Dooley. (Sat. 10.00am.)
Cloneen, Crettyard/Smithstown.

David Coughlan 27 Hillside View.

Michael Dwyer Knocknadogue.

Nora Sherwood 13 Love Lane.

Gerard, Annie, Daphne, John &
Terry Moran 17 Marymount.

Elizabeth Brennan Moneenroe.

Nancy Russell Moneenroe/Australia.

Bridget Browne (nee Heffernan)
Ardra/Rathfarnham.

Readers for next Weekend

Vigil Mass 7.00pm. Ms. Niamh Holohan.
Sunday 8.00am. Mr. Tom Teehan.
11.00am. Mr. George Mealy.

Priests on duty:

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Eucharistic Ministers' Rota

10.00am. Monday 3rd - 10.00am. Sat. 8th
Maria Dunne.

7.00pm. Mass Saturday 8th August
Annette Coogan & Louise Walsh.

8.00am. Mass Sunday 9th August
Maria Dunne & Margaret O'Neill.

11.00am. Mass Sunday 9th August
Angela Molloy, Janette Harding.

Making a Donation to our Parish on Line

In the event of anyone wishing to make a
Donation to our Parish Funds you can safely do
so on the Ossory Website -
<https://Ossory.ie/castlecomer/>

This new system is now up and running.

Thomas Coogan Library Castlecomer

Open Monday - Friday 10.am - 4.00pm.
To book and browse please ring 4440561
or email castlecomer@kilkennylibrary.ie

A Reflection for today

*'Let there always be quiet, dark churches
in which we can take refuge.
Places where we can kneel in silence,
houses of God, filled with his silent
presence.*

*There, even when we do not know how to
pray, at least we can be still and breathe
easily. Let there be a place somewhere in
which you can breathe naturally, quietly,
and not have to take your breath in
continuous short gasps, a place where
your mind can be idle, and forget its
concerns, descend into silence and
worship the Father in secret.*

*There can be no contemplation where
there is no secret place!'*

Thomas Merton

Celebration of Sacrament of Confirmation 2020

Bishop Dermot Farrell will confirm the
boys and girls in our parish who were due
to be confirmed in April 2020 on Friday,
18th September at 4.00pm.

Pupils from Firoda School
and 7.00pm. Pupils from Boys National
School.

Knock

As we are unable to have our annual
pilgrimage to Knock this year Muckalee
and Castlecomer parishes will be included
in the virtual pilgrimage on Sunday,
9th August. Rosary at 2.30pm and Mass at
3.00pm. Both from the Basilica.
Google [knockshrine.ie](https://www.google.com/search?q=knockshrine.ie)

Adoration & Prayer in Parish Church

Every Tuesday from 7.00pm - 9.00pm.
Rosary recited at 8pm, Divine Mercy
Chaplet at 8.45pm. All attendees are
requested to observe social distance and to
sanitise seats before locking church.

Thank you.

Parish Field: Meadow Hill Statement from Parish Finance Committee

Some time ago you will recall that the
Parish Field or Meadow Hill was placed
on the open market. This was done
because these lands were placed on the
Vacant Sites Register by Kilkenny County
Council and this attracted a levy of
€8,200.00 per year. Numerous attempts
were made to have the lands removed
from this register and the Parish lodged an
appeal to An Bord Pleanála to have the
levy removed. This had not been
successful.

At a meeting held recently with
officials of Kilkenny County Council it
was agreed that the lands would be
removed from the Vacant Sites Register
on the basis that the lands could not be
serviced with public infrastructure and the
levy has also been waived.

The zoning on the lands for
residential and community facilities
remains and the lands could be put back
on the Vacant Sites Register if the public
service become available at some time in
the future.

The zoning on the land remain as
it was and it has been taken off the open
market. We will keep you informed of any
changes going forward.
26th July 2020.

Monday, 3rd August (Public Holiday) Mass and Novena Prayers at 10.00am.

Parish Office will be open on Tuesday &
Friday 9:30am - 1:30pm. Only one person
in the Parish Office at a time. Please use
hand sanitiser in lobby area, and maintain
social distance in the office. Thank you.

Lotto Jackpot €12,800.00
Draw - Tuesday at 9.30pm.
Ballycomey

Weekly Envelope/Church Collection

Sunday, 26th July - €1,225.00
Sincere thanks.

Weekly Envelopes/Church Collection

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic no
manual collection of offerings will take
place at Mass. Please deposit all monies
and envelopes in the boxes around the
Church. The Ushers will guide you.
Thank you for your continued support.