

church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer

Parish Newsletter Sunday 21st March 2021

Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord

Months Mind

Séamus (Seamie) Walsh (Sun. 11.00am.)
14 Maryville.

Anniversaries

Joseph & Ellen Cahill (Mon. 9.00am.)
Firoda.
Mary Mullally (Tues. 9.00am.) Ardra.
Anthony (Tony) Barrett (Wed. 9.00am.)
Kilkenny Road.
Helen Shea (Thurs. 9.00am.)
Kilkenny Road.
Mary Hole (née Reeves) (Sat. 10.00am.)
Luton /Kilkenny St.
James & Bridget O'Neill Mayo.

Sunday, 28th March - 11.00am.

Rachel Mulcahy Brennan
Smithstown.

At Noon (Monday – Saturday)

A group of parishioners come together in the Church to pray the Angelus and Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. You are welcome to join with them. You may also join them on the Parish Radio and Webcam.

Every Sunday Afternoon

A group of parishioners will pray the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3.00pm. People may also join them through the Parish Radio and Webcam.

Readers for Palm Sunday

Sunday 11.00am.

Reading: Mrs. Angela Molloy
Gospel 1. Mrs. Teresa Hetherington.
2. Mr. John Kelly.

Priests on duty:

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Mother Teresa's Business Card

When Mother Teresa of Calcutta became internationally-known she met with many world leaders. She was handed business cards with the promise of financial help if she needed cash for any project. In return, she would give her own business card...five short lines:

*"The fruit of silent is prayer:
The fruit of prayer is faith:
The fruit of faith is love:
The fruit of love is service:
The fruit of service is peace:"*

Everybody seeks inner peace.

The path to peace begins with silence creating space for prayer...which inflames faith...thereby inspiring love...which reaches out in service. Peace then comes because it is in giving that we receive.

The Parish Newsletter

Will be printed as usual and will be available in boxes at the entrance to Church. Anniversary Masses & Months Mind Masses will be celebrated as usual. People can follow Mass on parish Radio & Webcam.

The Year of the Family

19th March 2021 – 26th June 2022

On the 19th March 2021 Feast of St. Joseph we will have celebrated five years since the publication of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love), on the beauty of joy and love in the family. On that day Pope Francis launched a year dedicated to the family which will conclude on 26th June 2022.

Prayer to St. Joseph (Patron Saint of Families)

*God, our heavenly Father,
grant us the fortitude of Christ your Son to face the Covid-19 crisis with trust, patience and compassion.
Give us the grace of the Holy Spirit to free us from fear and look forward together to the future with healing and hope. Through the intercession of St. Joseph, the guardian of Jesus, and Mary his mother and mother of the Church, may we be guided through this time of peril. Preserve us in peace; protect the vulnerable;
keep safe our health care workers and all who serve society,
at home and abroad.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

Composed by Fr. Kevin O'Gorman SMA

Kilkenny Bereavement Support

This is a voluntary organisation that offers free listening service to bereaved people of all ages. Since the arrival of Covid19, we have not been able to offer face to face meetings. We continue to support the bereaved by phone or by Zoom. People can discuss their preferred option with their bereavement support volunteer. To make an appointment, please phone 056-7756538 or email: director@kilkennybereavementsupport.com.

St. Teresa of Calcutta 1910 – 1997

Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Jesus called you to bring the light of His love to those who live in darkness. By tender, loving care for the poorest and the neediest, you became the sign of God's presence, His love and compassion in the midst of suffering and pain.

Following your example, help us to recognise the face of Jesus in our suffering brothers and sisters and to serve Him with humility and joy. Teach us to be carriers of God's tender love and mercy and so bear witness that God still loves the world through each one of us.
Amen.

Adoration & Prayer in Parish Church

Every Tuesday evening from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. Rosary recited at 8.00pm. All attendees are requested to observe social distance and to sanitise seats before locking Church. **Thank you.**

Parish Office

Open on Monday and Friday from 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.**

Senior Help Line

Don't be lonely over this Easter Season. The **Help Line** is open every day from 10.00am to 10.00pm. Calls costs 30cents. Lo Call 1850 440 444.
All calls are confidential.

Weekly Envelope/Church Collection

Sunday, 14th March - €845.00.
Sincere thanks.

**'Always Say No to Illegal Drugs'
Confidential Phone No: 189046400**