

# church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer

Parish Newsletter  
Sunday 22nd May 2022

## Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord

### Died Recently

James Jordan Nottingham.  
John Ryan Kiltown/New York.

### Anniversaries

Helena & Bill Brennan (Sat. 7.00pm.)  
Smithstown.  
Peadar & Violet Madden (Sun. 11.00am.)  
San Martin, Kilkenny Road.  
Nancy Doogue (Mon. 9.00am.)  
Chatsworth St.  
Kathleen & Thomas Lyng Monteen.  
Bridie & John Lyng Monteen.  
Thomas & Pat Judge Hillside View.  
Joan Murphy (née Lyng) (Tues. 9.00am.)  
Bagnelstown.  
John & Julia Brennan (Thurs. 9.00am.)  
Knocknadogue.  
Kathleen & Michael O'Kelly &  
Peter Wilson (Sat. 10.00am.) Barrack St.  
Michael Foley London/Leitrim.  
Richard (Richie) Lynch  
21 Kilkenny Road.  
Carmel Joyce Aughamuckey.  
Mollie Kavanagh Byrnesgrove.

**Saturday, 28th May at 7.00pm.**

John Quinn - Barrack St.

**Sunday, 29th May at 11.00am.**

Valarie Kelly Conway  
22 Lower Acorns.

### Priests on duty:

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### Eucharistic Ministers Rota

**9.00am. Mon. 23rd May – Fri. 27th May**

**Teresa Hetherington.**

**10.00am. Saturday, 28th May**

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**7.00pm. Saturday, 28th May**

**Louise Quinn.**

**8.00am. Sunday, 29th May**

**Noreen Curry.**

**11.00am. Sunday, 29th May**

**John Kelly.**

### Readers for next Weekend

#### Vigil Mass – Saturday

7.00pm. Mrs. Eithne McKenna.

#### Sunday

8.00am. Mr. Dick Mullins.  
11.00am. Mrs. Margaret Kavanagh.

### Parish Office

Open on Monday 9:30am – 1:30pm. Closed on Friday in the coming week. 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.**

### A Prayer for Ossory

*Loving Father,  
Our Diocese is alive with those who  
care for others in the service of the Gospel;  
so many others; so many offer themselves,  
their talents and their time in Ossory.*

*Our Parishes are places of welcome for  
all; our schools, communities, groups and  
homes, work to bring the Christian  
message of hope alive so that it is felt by  
those who need it most.*

*As we await a new Bishop we pray that you  
will help find for us a man to lead with  
vision for our future, understanding for  
our present and compassion for our past.  
Until then, may we work actively together  
to continue to realise not only your desire  
for us but also for your kingdom.*

*We ask this through the intercession of  
St. Kieran and through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.*

### Weekend Masses

*There are three Masses at the Weekend.  
One Mass is offered every weekend for the  
people of the parish and the other two  
Masses are reserved as far as possible for  
Month's Minds and First Anniversaries.  
We ask that people arrange to have other  
anniversary Masses celebrated during the  
week at 9.00am. (Monday – Friday) and  
Saturday at 10.00am. We encourage  
families to arrange to have Mass offered  
on the same morning if both parents are  
deceased.*

### Hospitality Committee

Hospitality Committee (funerals & other  
events) looking for more volunteers. If  
you are willing to help please contact  
Peggy Power on  
086 3937996.

### Phil Coulter thanks God for gift of his talent

The award-winning Irish composer and musician Phil Coulter said that he thanks God every day for having been able to make a living from his talent. Speaking on Miriam O'Callaghan's *Sunday with Miriam*, Mr Coulter said he is very grateful for the fact that he was born with the "rare gift" of his musical talent.

"There's not a day goes by that I don't thank God for having been able to make a living from my talent", he told Ms. O'Callaghan. He added that he "was also given a work ethic in growing up in the North and it was ingrained in me that if you have a talent, you have a God-given responsibility to do something with that talent.

"The talent per se entitles you to nothing. It's what you do with the talent that keeps you with the game". Mr. Coulter is one of the biggest record sellers on the island of Ireland and is best known for composing *The Town I Loved So Well* and the Eurovision *Congratulations*, which was sung by Cliff Richard.

He has previously spoken about his religious belief, saying that Clonard Monastery is special to him due to his mother's Belfast roots. *The Irish Catholic, Newspaper.*  
*Ruadhán Jones.*

**Parish Census** - In recent months many new individuals and families have come to live in Castlecomer. They are most welcome. Should they wish to be registered members of our Parish, there is a Census sheet and envelopes on the table at the end of Church. Completed sheets may be brought to Mass and given to Sacristan or dropped into Parochial House, Barrack St. Thank you.

### Every Day at Noon (Monday – Friday)

A group of parishioners come together in the Church to pray the Angelus and Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All welcome.