

Church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer

PARISH NEWSLETTER

23rd October 2022

Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord

Died Recently

Very Reverend Patrick (Pat) O'Farrell
P.P. Emeritus Lisdowney.
Louise Farrell 16 Linton Grove,
Johnswell Road/Dairy Road, Smithstown.
Kathleen Tynan (née Brophy) Skehana.
Bridget (Brenda) Moylan (née Hoban)
Caherleske, Callan, Co. Kilkenny.

Anniversaries

Statia & John Brennan (Sat. 7.00pm.)
Loon.
Donal McInerney (Sun. 11.00am.)
Ballyhemmon.
Ellen Kelly (Mon. 9.00am.) Barrack St.
Thomas (Tom) Finnegan (Thurs. 9.00am.)
Kiltown.
Elizabeth (Betty) Harding (Sat. 10.00am.)
17 Maryville.
Maurice Ryan Aughamuckey/Kilkenny.
William & Phyllis Ryan Marymount.

Saturday, 29th October at 7.00pm.

Months Mind

Michael Doogue
Smithstown/Chatsworth St.

Sunday, 30th October at 11.00am.

Eileen Brennan – Bance.

Weekly Envelope

Sunday, 16th October - €2,760.00
Sincere thanks.

Parish Office

Open on Monday & Friday from
9:30am – 1:30pm. Only one person in the
Parish Office at a time. Thank you.

Readers for next Weekend

Vigil Mass 7.00pm. Mrs. Maureen Holohan.
Sunday 8.00am. Ms. Maria Reyes.
11.00am. Mrs. Sheila Pedini.

Priests on duty:

Fr. Michael Ryan Tel: 4441262 - 086 3693863
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Eucharistic Ministers' Rota

9.00am. Monday 24th – Fri. 28th October

John Kelly.

10.00am. Saturday 29th October

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7.00pm. Mass Saturday 29th October

Louise Walsh.

8.00am. Mass Sunday 30th October

Lalaine Brennan.

11.00am. Mass Sunday 30th October

Aileen Ferris.

Fassadinin History Society

Will hold its AGM on Tuesday, 25th October at
8.00 p.m. in the Meeting Room, Castlecomer Hall.
New members most welcome.

Firoda National School

Are now accepting application forms for next
September 2023. If you have a child due to start
school, an application form can be downloaded
from our website or alternatively, you can contact
the school directly on 056—4441384.
Closing date is 24th February 2023.

Children's Prayer for Mission Sunday

*Loving God, you sent Jesus,
the first missionary, on his great mission. Jesus
then asked us to be missionaries, witnesses, too.*

*We now invite the Holy Spirit
to fill our hearts with joy and energy so that we
might be witnesses
in our daily lives.*

*We also pray for the friends of Jesus in faraway
countries today.*

*Help them to spread the love of
Jesus around the world too.
Amen.*

**Diocese of Ossory
Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023**

Tuesday, 23rd May – Sunday, 28th May
Prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes

*Lord Jesus, at Lourdes
Mary told Bernadette
"I am The Immaculate Conception".
She asked for prayer, repentance
and penance. Give me your help,
forgiveness and strength.*

*I entrust to you all my joys and sorrows,
my successes and disappointments.
Be a comfort to the sick a consolation
to the bereaved and a strength
to the wearied.*

*I thank you for the graces given
at Lourdes.*

*For the forgiveness you have shown,
for the vocations and promises
you have inspired and witnessed.
To you be glory and praise forever.*

Amen

*We dedicate this prayer this weekend to the
memory of the late Fr. Pat O'Farrell who
was Director of the Diocese of Ossory
Pilgrimage to Lourdes for almost twenty
years.*

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Pray for him.
St. Bernadette, Pray for him.**

Mission Sunday – Today

Annual Church Door Collection

*World Mission Sunday is the Holy
Father's annual appeal to support
overseas mission and missionaries.
It takes place in every single parish
worldwide where the Church is present. In
Ireland, Missio Ireland is the Pope's
official charity for overseas mission.*

Why is it so important?

*All offerings made on behalf of World
Mission Sunday become part of the Holy
Father's Universal Solidarity Fund.
This Fund supports missionary activities
in over 1,100 young dioceses, mostly in
Africa, Asia, and Latin America.
As young dioceses grow, so do their needs.
On top of this, they are often found in
remote areas devastated by conflict or
natural disasters.
The Universal Solidarity Fund provides
aid so that missionaries can continue to go
places to share the love of God.*

What does it support?

*The needs of young dioceses vary,
anything from a motorbike so a priest can
celebrate mass in a remote village,
to a community hall so local people can
gather in safety: or more urgently,
vaccinations and medicines so that parish
dispensaries can protect vulnerable
children. In essence:*

*It provides basic infrastructure by helping
communities to build schools, clinics,
parish halls and churches.*

*It prepares the future leaders and
carers of the Church by supporting the
training of sisters, priests, brothers and
catechists.*

*It supports missionary programmes to
care for children's spiritual and physical
wellbeing by offering safe shelter,
healthcare, education and hope for the
future.*