

# church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer

Parish Newsletter  
Sunday 4th June 2023

**Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord**

**Died Recently**

Séan Dowd Yellow Road.  
Daniel (Danzie) Walsh 30 Kilkenny St.

**Anniversaries**

Valarie Kelly Conway (Sat. 7.00pm.)  
22 Lower Acorns.  
Christy & Helen Lynch (Sun. 11.00am.)  
Kilkenny Road.  
John Brennan (Mon. 10.00am.)  
Dairy Farm, Smithstown.  
Statia Maher (Tues. 9.00am.) Rathkyle.  
James & May Kenny (Wed. 9.00am.)  
Firoda  
Anthony (Tony) Malone (Thur. 9.00am.)  
Smithstown.  
Mary (Min) Kennedy (Fri. 9.00am.)  
Mayhora  
John Quinn (Sat. 10.00am.) Barrack St.  
Padraig Purcell Firoda.  
Jake Brennan Lintown Grove, Kilkenny.

**Saturday, 10th June at 7.00pm.**

Thomas Molloy & Martin Molloy  
44 Hillside View.

**Monday, 6th June (Public Holiday)**

**Mass at 10.00am.  
with Novena Prayers**

**Priests on duty:**

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**Readers for next Weekend**

**Vigil Mass - Saturday**  
7.00pm. Mrs. Mary Buggy.  
**Sunday**  
8.00am. Mr. Tom Teehan.  
11.00am. First Holy Communion.

**Eucharistic Ministers Rota**

**Monday, 5th at 10.00am.**  
**Chrissie Brooke**  
**9.00am. Tuesday 6th to Friday 9th June**  
**Chrissie Brooke**  
**10.00am. Saturday 10th June**  
**Chrissie Brooke**  
**7.00pm. Saturday, 10th June**  
**Catherine Greer**  
**8.00am. Sunday, 11th June**  
**Lalaine Brennan**  
**11.00am. Sunday, 11th June**  
**Aileen Ferris**

**Parish Office**

Open on Thursday and Friday in the coming week  
from 9:30am – 1:30pm. Only one person in the  
Parish Office at a time.

**Weekly Envelope/Church Collection**

Sunday, 28th May - €1,535. 00.  
Sincere thanks.

**Next Sunday, 11th June 2023**  
**Feast of the Most Holy Body and**  
**Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)**

There will be Evening Prayer and Solemn  
Benediction in Church at 5.30pm.  
First Eucharist will be celebrated at the  
11.00am. next Sunday.

**Please note: That all forms of**  
**photography is forbidden during this**  
**Mass. This will ensure the sacredness of**  
**the occasion is maintained. Thank you.**

**Reverence and Respect in Church**

At a recent meeting of the Parish Council it  
was decided that we would put the  
following notice in Parish Newsletter.

***In order to maintain the sacredness of the***  
***Church we request that people would***  
***refrain from speaking in Church before***  
***Mass.***

***When Mass is ended we request***  
***that people would wait until they are in the***  
***porch or outside to greet one another, in***  
***that way we will ensure that the sacredness***  
***of the House of God is maintained.***  
***Thank you for your co-operation with this***  
***request.***

**Novena to Sacred Heart 2023**

**Thursday, 8th June – Friday, 16th June**  
**Copies of Novena Prayers in basket on**  
**table at end of Church.**

**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.

**Adoration & Prayer in Parish Church**

Every Tuesday evening from 7.00pm –  
9.00pm. Rosary recited at 8.00pm.

*Sunday, 4th June 2023*

***Adoration of Blessed Sacrament***  
***in Church from 3.00p.m.- 5.00pm.***

***During this time we pray for the young***  
***students who are sitting exams now in Post-***  
***Primary Schools and Third Level Colleges.***

***We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide***  
***them at this time in their lives and in later life***  
***too so that they will keep a space for God in***  
***their lives and make good friends and good***  
***choices in life.***

**Thought for the Day**  
**(A message for Leaving Cert 2023)**

It is early June and the Leaving Certificate  
examinations are about to begin.  
Students agonise about what will come up in the  
opening English paper. “I hope Heaney comes  
up. I have spent a lot of time on him...”

Almost sixty years ago I probably  
agonised in a similar way (to a far less  
pressurised extent), but for what it’s worth here  
is my ‘Brief Open Letter to this year’s Class.

***Dear Students, Worry not! In ten***  
***years, twenty, thirty years’ time, what will it***  
***matter what ‘came up’ this year? What will***  
***come up in that time is life – with all its joys,***  
***sorrows, vagaries, challenges, disappointments,***  
***demands. I hope the last five years will have***  
***equipped you well for that. For now, just do***  
***your best.***  
***Good luck!***

***Stolen Moments, John Quinn (Veritas)***

**June Collection for Priests**  
**this Weekend**

This collection is one of a number of  
Collections for priests of the Parish. Please use  
envelopes you received in December 2022.  
***Sincere thanks to all members of the parish***  
***who contribute so faithfully to these***  
***collections.***