

Church of the Immaculate Conception Castlecomer



15th October 2023
PARISH NEWSLETTER
28TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)



+ BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO DIE IN THE LORD + ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Sat. 14th Oct: 7pm: Seamus Kennedy, Ardra
Sun. 15th Oct. 8am: Winifred and Frank Loughlin and all deceased members, Newtown
Sun. 15th Oct: 11am: Dot Byrne, Maryville, (Months Mind)
Mon. 16th Oct. 9am: Statia & John Brennan, Loon and A Special Intention
Tues. 17th Oct: 9am: Martin Kenny, Rathkyle
Wed. 18th Oct: 9am: Teresa Cusack (nee Heffernan) South on Sea, Ardra, Castlecomer

WE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Louise Farrell, 16, Lintown grove, Kilkenny, formerly of Smithstown, Agnes Mullins, Killeshin, Pat Mullins, Killeshin, Margaret Mullins, Killeshin, Minnie O'Reilly, Post Office, Tom and Bridie Gleeson, Kilkenny Rd. Anna Marie Barrett, Church Ave, Terry Renwick, Aughamuckey, Tom Ryan, Aughamuckey, Fr. Joseph Campion SAC. C.C. Martin & Mary O' Shea, Barrack St, Mollie O'Shea, Barrack St, Michael O'Shea, Barrack St, Kate Walsh, Barrack St.

WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS: FOR 14TH/15TH OCTOBER:

Sat. 21st Oct: 10am: Sean Ryan & Deceased members of the Ryan and Kavanagh families
Sat. 21st Oct: 7pm: Kathleen Ryan, Skehana
Sun. 22nd Oct: 11am: Noel Owens, Ryefield House
Sun. 22nd Oct: 11am: Donal McInerney, Ballyhemmon

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THE PARISH OFFICE:

Tues, Wed and Fri 10:00 – 12:30.
Parish Office: 056 – 4441262
Parish Email: castlecomer@ossory.ie
Parish Web Page: castlecomerparish.ie

Please use office number and office hours for parish administrative business, and for booking Masses, marriages and baptisms. You can submit anniversaries etc. also through the parish email.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY & ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Week ending 8th Oct €1,515.
Sincere thanks to all.

PRAYER DURING THE DAY:

The Angelus, Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy every Monday – Saturday at 12(noon) & Sunday at 3pm:

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Tuesday: 7pm – 9pm; Rosary at 8pm
First Sunday of the month 3pm – 5pm.

SAFEGUARDING:

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person is Kathleen Sherry
dlp@ossory.ie or 085 8021633.

The Parish Representatives are:
Eilish Dunne
Ger Comerford

They can be contacted through the parish office telephone number.

MINISTRY OF READERS AT MASS

Weekending 21st/22th October

Saturday 7pm: Mary Buggy
Sunday 8am: Dick Mullins
Sunday 11am: Fonsie Mealy

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Week beginning 16th October

Monday – Friday, 9am: Eoin Stowe
Saturday 21st, 10am: Eoin Stowe
Saturday 21st, 7pm: Louise Walsh
Sunday 22nd, 8am: Lalaine Brennan
Sunday 22nd, 11am: Angela Molloy

BE PART OF THE SYNOD

The series will be online and culminate a gathering in Knock shrine 5 for weeks. To take part Join www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Bishop Coll will celebrate the 11am mass in Castlecomer on Sunday 22nd October. At this mass Fr Scriven will be formally installed by the Bishop as Parish Priest of Castlecomer.

OSSORY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2024

The 2024 Ossory Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by our Bishop Most Reverend Niall Coll DD will take place from Tuesday May 21-Sunday May 26 Inc.

LORETO SECONDARY SCHOOL KILKENNY

Loreto Secondary School Kilkenny are holding an open day for 6th Class girls on Thursday 28th September. 1st Year Enrolment closes on 23 October 2023; please consult the school website (www.loretokk.ie) for more.

Castlecomer DTA meeting

An important meeting of Castlecomer Development Association will be held on Tuesday next October 17th at 8 p.m. in the Community Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Family Tree Healing Mass

Fr. John Walsh will celebrate Divine Mercy & Family Tree Healing Mass at St. Abbans Church, Doonane (R93 AT86) on Monday 30th October 2023 @ 7.30pm

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings, 10am to 12.30pm.

OCTOBER STATIONS FOR PRIESTS

This is one of six stations during the year for the priests of the parish. Please use envelope supplied or collection box in church porch.

Taizé Youth Programme 2024

A youth trip to Taizé in France organised by Ossory Youth will take place from 23rd -30th June 2024. It will be a week of meeting young people from different countries and cultures where new friendships are made. Tens of thousands of young people from around the world, including 25 from Kilkenny, will make the trip to Taizé next year. The programme, which runs from November 2023 to June 2024 is open to Transition year, 5th year and Leaving Cert students. Closing date is Friday 27th Oct. For additional information, including cost and application forms, contact Patrick Bookle, Ossory Youth at (056) 7761200, (087) 2129006 or pbookle@ossoryyouth.com

October – Busy Month for Pope Francis

Pope Francis is attending the Synod in Rome this month. But he has also issued a new letter on the theme of the climate crisis. His Apostolic Exhortation Laudate Deum (Praise God) was published on the feast of St Francis of Assisi, October 4th. The Holy Father addresses the situation of climate change because "a human being who pretends to take the place of God becomes the worst danger to himself" (LD 73) Pope Francis warns that climate change is undeniable, and its effects are becoming increasingly evident "despite some attempts to minimize or ridicule them" (LD 6). The Holy Father calls upon all religious confessions to respond and reminds Catholics that in the light of faith there is a responsibility to care for God's creation. "We must not forget that young generations have a right to receive a beautiful and inhabitable world from us, and this invests us with grave responsibilities toward creation, which we received from God's generous hands," Pope Francis said in August.