

Church of the Immaculate Conception Castlecomer



19th November 2023

PARISH NEWSLETTER

33RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)



+ BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO DIE IN THE LORD +

WE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Sat: 18th: Nov: 10am: Elizabeth & Edward Hetherington, Barrack St
Sat: 18th: Nov: 7pm: Michael Brooke, Coolbawn (Months Mind Mass)
Sat: 18th: Nov: 7pm: Maureen Healy, Donaguile Heights (Months Mind mass)
Sun: 19th: Nov: 8am: Mass for the faithful departed
Sun: 19th: Nov: 11am: Lil Coogan, Kilkenny Rd, (Months Mind Mass) & Willie Coogan
Tues: 21st: Nov: 9am: Doug Merritt, North Carolina
Wed: 22nd: Nov: 9am: Dan, Joe & Kay Brennan, Manchester/Moneenroe

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Philomena Heffernan Ardra, Ann (Nancy) Wallace Kilkenny St, Elizabeth & Charlie Geoghegan, Annie Philips, Mary Shallow & Ned Shallow Ballyragget Rd/London, William (Bill) Stowe Kildare

WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS FOR 18TH/19TH NOV

Sat: 25th: Nov: 10am: Seamus Farrell Kilkenny Rd
Sat: 25th: Nov: 7pm: Tom Brennan (Roe) Hillside View & Maidie & Andy Spain Woodlands Gr.

Parish Office open on Wednesday and Friday, 9.30am -12.30pm

Please contact the parish office to organise anniversaries and other celebrations. The office can be contacted by phone (056 4441262) or email (castlecomer@ossory.ie).

CONTACTS:

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THE PARISH OFFICE:

Tues, Wed and Fri 9:30 – 12:30.
Parish Office: 056 444 1262
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 12th Nov € 2,035
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 25th/26th November

Saturday 7pm: FHC
Sunday 8am: Dick Mullins
Sunday 11am: John Kelly

Ministers of the Eucharist

Week beginning 20th November

Monday - Friday, 9am: Teresa Hetherington
Saturday, 25th 10am: Teresa Hetherington
Saturday 25th, 7pm: Louise Walsh
Sunday 26th, 8am: Noreen Curry
Sunday 26th, 11am: Jeanette Harding

Sum of Money Found Near Church

A sum of money was found near the church, please contact Jimmy Harding on 087-7635-796

Chapter House Bookshop – St Mary's

The Bookshop welcomes you to visit the shop
Monday 9:30am - 1.00pm; Tuesday – Friday
9:30am till 5:00pm.

Deenside Magazine 2023

The 46th year of the Deenside magazine will be on sale next weekend at the church door and at various shops in the town. Donation of €5.
Congratulations and many thanks to the editor Margaret McGrath and to all those who help with the publication.

Church Renovation

The present phase of work has concluded this week. Under the instruction of Mr Michael O'Boyle Tallis Builders have carried out remedial work to the sanctuary ceiling. On assessment there was more work to be undertaken. Four areas were identified that had to be replaced and this has now been done. In other areas of the sanctuary the decorative plasterwork required stabilising by tying back the plasterwork to the wooden batons and this has also been done.
The next phase will be undertaken in the New Year when a specialised painter will be employed to paint the ceiling. This work will require a tower of scaffolding to be erected. Hopefully we can now return to the use of the church as normal for daily mass and other services. Thanks to all for their understanding and ongoing support in recent weeks.

The November Offerings

The November offerings will be taken up this weekend. This is one of six collections for the upkeep of the priests of the parish during the year. Please use envelope provided

Tirlán & Glanbia Memorial Mass 2023

The Annual Remembrance Mass in loving memory of our deceased family members, work colleagues, & friends in Tirlán & Glanbia will take place in St Canice's Church, Kilkenny, on Friday 24th November 2023, at 7.30 p.m. Rosary at 7.15pm May their souls rest in peace.

Advent Retreat

Following Jesus in the Footsteps of St Francis as a Lay Person Capuchin Friary, Kilkenny.
Sunday, 3rd December 2023 3.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m open to everyone all welcome to come along and Communication from Father Robert McCabe – re: Resources for Pioneer and Total Abstinence Association.

Have Difficulty Reading or Writing?

Do you know in Ireland that almost 1 in 5 adults have difficulty with reading and writing? One in two have difficulty with digital devices. If you or a family member would like upskilling, please contact Kilkenny Carlow Education and Training Board for a free and confidential service for all adults. Contact: Kilkenny Adult Learning Service 056 776 3149. Carlow Adult Learning Service 059 913 5544.

Poor Clares launch best-selling book

The Poor Clares in Galway have just published an updated 10th anniversary edition of their number 1 best-selling book *Calm the Soul*. The new material in the book includes reflections and prayers for those coping with anxiety as well as prayers for young people and for those challenged by aging, family conflict, bullying, Internet use and fear of missing out. A new section on accompanying the sick and dying is also among the topics treated in the book. The book is published by Hachette Ireland in hardback and is available in bookstores. For more visit www.poorclares.ie/calm-the-soul