

# Church of the Immaculate Conception Castlecomer



26th November 2023

PARISH NEWSLETTER

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING



## + BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO DIE IN THE LORD +

**RECENTLY DEAD:** Evelyn O'Neill, Dublin

### WE PRAY FOR ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME:

Sat: 25th: Nov: 10am: Seamus Farrell Kilkenny Rd

Sat: 25th: Nov: 7pm: Tom Brennan (Roe) (**Month's Mind**) Hillside View & Maidie & Andy Spain Woodlands Grove

Sun: 26th: Nov: 8am: Mass for the Faithful Departed

Sun: 26th: Nov: 11am: Paddy & Kitty Curry, Maryville

Tues: 28th: Nov: 9am: John (Johnny) Dunne, Kilkenny Rd

Wed: 29th: Nov: 9am: Ellen Coogan, Lower Yellow Rd

Thurs: 30th: Nov: 9am: Michael Daly, Crettyard. Thomas Daly, Muckalee Lower.

Fri: 1st Dec: 9am: Ned Kavanagh, Marymount

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Mathew Phelan, Mayhora, Eamon, Teresa & Joe Wallace, Market Street, Patrick Barcoe, Moneenroe Michael and Mary O'Donnell, Mount William.

### WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2ND/3RD DEC

Sat: 2nd: Dec: 10am: Thomas & Paul Nolan, Hillside View

Sat: 2nd: Dec: 7pm: Thomas, Mary & Martin Morrissey, Ballyhemmon/Hillside view/ Rathdowney

Sun: 3rd: Dec: 11am: Noreen Smith, Oakhill/Cavan

### 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](mailto:castlecomer@ossory.ie)

Parish Web Page: [castlecomerparish.ie](http://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 19th Nov €2,135

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](mailto: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 2nd/3rd December*

Saturday 7pm: Martin Walsh

Sunday 8am: Tom Teehan

Sunday 11am: Helena Dowd

### Ministers of the Eucharist

*Week beginning 27th November*

Monday - Friday, 9am: Chrissie Brooke

Saturday, 2nd 10am: Chrissie Brooke

Saturday 2nd, 7pm: Ingrid Brennan

Sunday 3rd, 8am: Lalaine Brennan

Sunday 3rd, 11am: Eoin Stowe

### Deenside Magazine 2023-This Weekend

The Deenside magazine will be on sale this weekend at the church door and is available locally in the town. Donation of €6.

Congratulations and many thanks to the editor Margaret Mcgrath and to all those who help with the publication.

### December First Friday

Fr Scriven & Fr Ian will make their First Friday calls in December later in the month, closer to Christmas.

### Boards of Management Change

The Boards of Management of our Primary Schools will change at the end of this week after a four-year term of office. A word of thanks to all who have given of their time, experience, and commitment to the children who attend our primary schools. There are eight members on the Board: two appointed by the Patron (Bishop Coll), two members of staff, two parents, and two members representing the wider community. We thank those who now begin their terms and appreciate their willingness to serve on the various boards. We wish all our schools the best in their work and salute the dedication and commitment of staff members to our parish schools and to the children entrusted to their care. Fr Scriven will be chair of Firoda National School and Castlecomer Boys School. The chair of Presentation Primary School will be Mr Ger Comerford.

### Feast of Christ the King – Reflection

*"We are living in times that are not particularly sensitive to the needs of the poor: the pressure to adopt an affluent lifestyle increases, while the voices of those dwelling in poverty tend to go unheard... Haste, by now the daily companion of our lives, prevents us from stopping to help care for others."* (Pope Francis)  
On this Feast of Christ the King let us pray for the grace to stop, to listen, to heed, to bend and to serve as Christ the King of Kings has shown.

### Firoda National School Defibrillator

Firoda National School will facilitate training in the use of their newly acquired Defibrillator at 7pm on Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> in the school. This training is open to any members of the local community who may be interested in attending. This will be a general information and demonstration session. If there is sufficient interest, a certified course can be organised at a later date."

### LET THE SHOW BEGIN – CASTLECOMER

Castlecomer is centre stage in the coming week on the Let the Show Begin. The show will be broadcast on Tuesday November 28<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. and Friday December 1<sup>st</sup> at 3 p.m. on SKY Channel 186. Viewership is extensive across the globe with the very best of Country and Irish Music, tune in for this special on Castlecomer.

### Johnswell Organ Restoration Fundraiser

Johnswell community are hosting a fundraising benefit concert on Saturday, Dec 2nd, in Johnswell's Church in aid of the restoration of the church organ. Beginning at 7.30pm acts on the night include Castlecomer Male Voice Choir, Billy Carrigan and Friends, tony coy, Ger Cody and more. A great night of entertainment is promised. Admission €20. Donations welcome fabulous door prizes and raffle on the night full of goodies. For tickets contact Sean 086 6005511 or James 087 296 52039 or any member of Johnswell Community Council.