

# Church of the Immaculate Conception Castlecomer



12th November 2023

PARISH NEWSLETTER  
32ND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)



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

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

Michael O'Neill, The Prince

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

Sat: 11th: Nov: 10am Gabriel Kelly, Waterford/Kilkenny St

Sun: 12th: Nov: 8am: Mass for the faithful departed

Sun: 12th: Nov: 11am: Sally Salter & Joe Byrne Ballyhemmon/Church Avenue

Mon: 13th: Nov: 9am: Tom Finnegan, Kiltown & Maurice Shortall Maryville

Tues: 14th: Nov: 9am: James, Julie, Elsie, Margaret, Patrick, Theresa & Adam Brennan Kearney

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MARTIN O'NEILL, BALLYHEMMON

### WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS FOR 18TH/19TH NOV

Sat: 18th: Nov: 7pm: Michael Brooke, Coolbawn, (Months mind mass)

Sat: 18th: Nov: 7pm: Maureen Healy, Donaguile Heights, (Months mind mass)

Sun: 19th: Nov: 11am: Lil Coogan, Kilkenny Rd, (Months mind mass) & Willie Coogan

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

### CONTACTS:

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Tues, Wed and Fri 9:30 – 12:30.

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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 5th Nov €2,600

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 19th/20th November*

Saturday 7pm: Brigid Coady

Sunday 8am: Margaret McGrath

Sunday 11am: Teresa Hetherington

### Ministers of the Eucharist

*Week beginning 13th November*

Monday - Friday, 9am: Maria Reyes

Saturday, 18th 10am: Maria Reyes

Saturday 18th, 7pm: John Holohan

Sunday 19th, 8am: Margaret O' Neill

Sunday 19th, 11am: Angela Molloy

### Change of Mass times in the Area

Please note that from December 1<sup>st</sup> the Vigil Mass in Moneenroe will be at 6pm. This is to facilitate the priest to travel to celebrate the 7pm mass in Castlecomer.

### Coeliac Hosts

Coeliac Hosts are available for those who are gluten intolerance. Please indicate to the minister your preference.

### 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. These collections contributed to the monthly stipend which the priests of the parish receive.

### Castlecomer Wellington Race 2024

Castlecomer Wellington Race Committee invite charities to apply as beneficiaries of Wellington Race 2024 to Mr Billy Moran before Nov 18th.

### Collection for the Ossory Priests Society

The Ossory Priests Society is charged with making suitable financial provision for the care of the priests in the Diocese of Ossory in infirmity, sickness and old age, taking place on the weekend of the of 25th/26th of November, Feast of Christ the King. Your support is very much appreciated.

### A Blessing Prayer at a Graveside

Hear our prayers this day as we gather in this cemetery, this holy place of burial.

With reverence, we visit here where the sacred bodies of our loved ones have been placed in the womb of the earth to await the final day of glory.

As we remember our dead keep the flame of love alive in our hearts.

As we bless these graves with our prayers, we give thanks that the names of these loved ones buried here have been written for all ages in the palm of your hand.

Until the day when we are all reunited in your kingdom, give eternal rest be to those whose graves we visit today, and to all the holy dead. We place this prayer before you through Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Ní imithe uainn atá siad, ach imithe romhainn. They are not gone from us but gone before us.*

### FESTIVAL OF LIGHT 2023

It's that time of year again! Castlecomer will light up on Friday 24 November in what has become a tradition for many people around area. TJ Reid will switch on the Christmas lights this year with the help of Santa. Children are asked to bring along their handmade lanterns to follow Santa on his procession from the Square to the Discovery Park. The Estate Yard will be the venue for a yuletide celebration with music, food & craft stalls until 9pm. All welcome. Gathering in the Square from 5:30pm

### Stories of Kilkenny's Christian heritage

Some of the treasured stories of Kilkenny's Christian heritage are now being told by The Irish Dominicans on their YouTube channel. In this series you'll find videos about St Kenny's Well and the controversial statues of Jerpoint Abbey, the Black Abbey and Cantwell Fada, the huge defences of Kells Priory and the Franciscan Friar who reported on the Black Death in Kilkenny.

[youtube.com/irishdominicans](https://www.youtube.com/irishdominicans)