

29TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Parish of Castlecomer

Parish Newsletter 19th October 2025

Cluster of Clogh, Castlecomer and Muckalee
Grupa Paroistí: Chaisleán an Chomair, Maigh Coillí agus An Chloch

+BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO DIE IN THE LORD+

ANNIVERSARIES SAT 18TH/SUN 19TH

Sat 7pm: Maureen Healy, Donaguile Heights
Sun 8am: Martin Kenny, Rathkyle.
Sun 11am: Donal McInerney, Ballyhemmon
Kieran O'Donnell, May O'Donnell &
Michael Holohan

Mon 9am: John and Stasia Brennan, Loon;

FRIDAY – No Mass

ANNIVERSARIES

Fr Joseph Campion
Kieran & Annie Brennan, Upper Coolbaun;

ANNIVERSARIES SAT 25TH/SUN 26TH

Sat 7pm: Kathleen Tynan, Skehana
Sun 8am: Winnie O'Loughlin, Newtown
Frank O' Loughlin, Castlecomer and the
deceased members of O'Loughlin family
Sun 11am: Noel Owens, Ryefield House;
Elizabeth (Betty) Harding, Maryville.

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WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Last Week's Sunday Collection: €1,940.00
Sincere thanks to all who contribute to parish funds and to the clergy fund. *Mile Buíochas*.

OCTOBER CLERGY COLLECTION

Please return October Clergy Collection Envelopes at this time. Your generosity through these collections contribute to the monthly salary of Fr Scriven and Fr Doyle.
Mile Buíochas

NOVEMBER 2ND: FEAST OF ALL SOULS

Rosary will be recited at the Statue of Our Lady in Deerpark at 3pm.

ÁR NATHAIR

Ár nAthair,
atá ar neamh,
go naofar d'ainm,
go dtaga do ríocht,
go ndéantar do thoil
ar an talamh,
mar a dhéantar ar neamh.
Ár n-arán laethúil
tabhair dúinn inniú,
agus maith dúinn ár bhfiacha,
mar a mhaithimidne
dár bhféichiúna féin,
agus ná lig sinn i gcathú,
ach saor sinn ó olc. Amen.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Wednesday & Saturday after Morning Mass.
Tuesday, 7pm – 9pm

Rosary

Mon-Sat daily at 12noon
Sunday 3pm and Tuesday 8pm4

MINISTRIES IN OUR PARISH:

Ministers of The Word:

7pm: Martin Walsh
8am: Margaret McGrath
11am: Margaret Kavanagh

Ministers of The Eucharist:

Mon – Sat John Kelly
7pm: Catherine Greer
8am: Noreen Curry
11am: Angela Molloy

PARISH & DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING

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Please consult the Diocesan website

www.ossory.ie

for all relevant documents & policies.

Dates for your Diary

2nd Nov 3pm: Rosary at Deerpark Statue of Our Lady
11th Nov 7.30pm: Eucharist Ministers Evening
15th Nov, 7pm: Annual Memorial Mass
8th March 2026, 11am: Sacrament of Confirmation
26th April 2026, 11am: First Holy Communion

Mission Sunday, 19th October 2025

This weekend, parishes worldwide celebrate World Mission Sunday, 19th October 2025. Thank you for supporting in whatever way you can, and please remember, it is more than an appeal for financial help. Missionaries also need spiritual support.

'Each individual Christian and every community is missionary to the extent that they bring to others and live the Gospel, and testify to God's love for all, especially those experiencing difficulties. Be missionaries of God's love and tenderness! Be missionaries of God's mercy, which always forgives us, always awaits us and loves us dearly.' (Pope Francis).

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE “ANCHORED IN HOPE”

The Jubilee Year of Hope in a Missionary and Multicultural Church which celebration will take place on Saturday next, 25th October, 10am- 2pm in St Patrick' Pastoral Centre, Loughboy. Fr Pat O Sullivan, SPS, will speak at the gathering on the theme: *“Go out to the whole world”* (Matthew 28:1–20). Bishop Coll will celebrate Mass particularly acknowledging all who have made the Diocese of Ossory their home and who live and worship among us. All welcome

ST LUKE'S ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASS

St. Luke's General Hospital, Kilkenny Annual Remembrance Mass, Tuesday 21st October at 7:30pm in St. Canice's Parish Church, Kilkenny.

BOOK LAUNCH

Launch of the Heir by Anne Gleeson Kelly will be launched in the Avalon House Hotel on 28th Oct at 7.30pm. All welcome. The book is a romantic fictional historical novel set in 1847 in South Yorkshire and beyond. “It's a real page turner” (Fiona Scarlett, author of Boys Don't Cry). “The scenes at the White Cliff Hotel bristle with intrigue and will leave the reader on the edge of their seat.” (Pauline Clooney).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

This weekend we welcome the boys and girls who will receive First Holy Communion next May. Please pray for them and their families as they begin the preparation. Thanks to parents and teachers who are a vital part of this preparation.

Forgive all those who have failed...

The parish priest of Gaza called on his flock to “forgive all those who have failed and to ask forgiveness” for their own shortcomings, as preparation for what he hopes will be an end to the war. Fr Gabriel Romanelli, parish priest of the Holy Family Church in Gaza, shared the much-anticipated news of the start of the implementation of the peace agreement, expressing hope: “The long-awaited day has come to begin the implementation of the peace process or peace agreement... May God, in His goodness, grant the Holy Land – and particularly this part of the Holy Land, which is Palestine, Israel – that we may begin to live in peace, in justice, in reconciliation”. “This ceasefire, God willing, will become the end of this atrocious war,” said the parish priest, expressing the relief and joy of the refugees who remain in the parish and those who have been able to partially return to their homes, although many buildings are heavily damaged.

During Mass, on the first Sunday without bombing, Fr. Romanelli invited those present to give thanks to God for their enduring faith and to participate in an act of reconciliation and forgiveness, inspired by the teachings of St. Pope John Paul II. “To forgive all those who, voluntarily or involuntarily, have failed, and ask forgiveness for our own shortcomings,” he recalled, recognising the challenges of coexisting for so long under extreme suffering and hardship.

CASTLECOMER GOLF CLUB

Castlecomer Golf Club are celebrating 50 years this year, and a special weekend of celebration will take place next weekend, Oct 25th at 5.30pm. All members are invited to come and celebrate the people who worked so hard to make the club what it has become today; to enjoy the occasion by meeting past and present members and to have an evening of music, dancing and craic late into the night. All members, their families and friends and people from the local communities are welcome.