



Castlecomer Parish Newsletter
26th July 2026
Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time.

+ BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO DIE IN THE LORD +

Anniversary Mass and Mass Intentions:

Sat. 7pm: **John Brennan (Roe).** Hillside View
John & Nancy Keating. Aughamucky

Sun. 8am: For the people of the parish.

Sun. 11am: **Sean Phelan.** Smithstown
Rose O'Rourke. Kilkenny St.

Tue. 9:00am: **Teresa Sitowska.**
Willie & Lil Coogan. Kilkenny Rd

Wed. 9:00am: **Mary & Tom Loughlin.** Ardra
Liam Walsh. Marymount

Thur. 9:00am: **Pat O'Meara.** Hillside View

Fri. 9:00am: **Mary Coady.** The Square
Catherine Byrne. Barrack St

Sat. 10am: **Gerry Holden.** Maryville

ANNIVERSARIES OCCURRING AT THIS TIME: **Clinton Nolan.**
Kilkenny Rd. **Paddy O'Neill.** Kilkenny St. **Michael, Mary, &**
William Kealy. Ardra. **Joseph Murphy.** Aughamucky
REQUIESCENT IN PACE.

Mass intentions for weekend 1st/2nd August

Sat 7pm: Vocations to the Priesthood

Sun. 8am: For the People of the Parish

Sun. 11am: Joe Dowling. Firoda
Helen Brennan. Dairy Rd. Smithstown
Sally Kelly. Kilkenny st.

Cluster of Clogh, Castlecomer and Muckalee

GRUPA PAROISTÍ: CHAISLEÁN AN CHOMAIR, MAIGH COILLÍ AGUS AN CHLOCH

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"I WILL NOT FORGET YOU" (Isaiah 49:15) is the theme chosen by Pope Leo XIV for the sixth World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, which this year will take place today Sunday, July 26th. It is celebrated on the Fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne (26 July), who are traditionally honoured as the parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the grandparents of Jesus.

Pope Francis established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in 2021. His intention was to remind the Church that older people are not on the margins but at the heart of the Christian community. They are witnesses of faith, keepers of memory, and a bridge between generations.

Grandparents remind us that faith is often passed on not only from the pulpit but around the kitchen table, in bedtime prayers, and through lives quietly lived with generosity and trust in God. As Pope Francis often said, a society that forgets its elderly loses its memory. Our grandparents help us remember who we are, where we come from, and to whom we belong.

*Lord God,
we thank you for the gift of grandparents and all
older people. Bless them with health, peace,
and joy. May they continue to share their
wisdom, faith, and love with younger
generations. Comfort those who are lonely or
suffering, and help us always to honour them
with gratitude and respect.*

*"May the Lord receive the offerings at our hands for the glory of his name
and his church."*

COLLECTIONS: Weekend 18th/19th July

Parish Collection: €1640.00

MÍLE BUÍOCHAS.

CÉAD MÍLE Fáilte! The parish of Castlecomer welcome all holidaymakers and those returning home to family during the summer break. We trust that your visit will be refreshing and joyful.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: If Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is to proceed after Mass, please leave consecrated Host in the Tabernacle. It should be taken from the Tabernacle and directly placed in the monstrance at the time of Exposition.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. Tuesday, 7-9pm; Wed & Sat after morning Mass. 1st Sunday of each month at 3pm. Rosary/Chaplet recited in church Monday-Saturday 12 noon and Sundays 3pm. All are welcome.

ANNUAL JENKINSTOWN CAMINO WALK will take place today, Sunday, July 26th. The walk will begin at 2.30 p.m. at Jenkinstown Church car park. This reflective Camino-style walk is open to everyone and offers a meaningful opportunity to step away from the busyness of daily life, enjoy the outdoors and join others for a time of quiet contemplation and shared journey. All are welcome.

THE PAINTED GOSPEL: A Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi, The Ossory Adult Faith Development Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi, will take place in March 2027. An invitation for pilgrims to reflect on the art and architecture in these cities. For further information see the poster in the church or visit the Ossory website. For bookings please contact Myriam Tours [057 9355050](tel:0579355050)

MINISTRIES IN OUR PARISH:

*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others,
as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."
1 Peter 4:10*

MINISTERS OF THE WORD:

Sat. 1 st August	7pm:	Liz Byrne
Sun. 2 nd August	8am:	Fintan Barrett
Sun. 2 nd August	11am:	Helena Dowd

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Sat. 1 st August	7pm:	Eoin Stowe
Sun. 2 nd August	8am:	Noreen Curry
Sun. 2 nd August	11am:	Jeanette Harding
Tues. - Sat: (Daily Mass):		Eileen Mealy