



Castlecomer Parish Newsletter 19th/20th September 2026

**Twenty-Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time.**
Year A (II)

Cluster of Clogh, Castlecomer and Muckalee

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+Blessed are those who have died with the Lord+ REQUIESCENT IN PACE

ANNIVERSARY & MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEKEND & COMING WEEK

Sat: 7pm **Joan Holohan**, The Square
Ned Brennan, Knocknadogue

Sun: 8am For the People of the Parish
11am **Frances Shore**, Kiltown
Fr. Liam Shore, Bowden Court/Kiltown

Tues: 9am **Lilian Lawlor**, Kilkenny St.

Wed: 9am **Eamon Kenny**, Rathkyle
Stella Lacey, Ballyragget

Thur: 9am For those carrying the burden of illness/sickness

Fri: 9am A thanksgiving intention

Sat: 10am **Alice Holden**, Maryville
(100th birthday remembrance)

ANNIVERSARY LIST: **Nell Kavanagh**, Kiltown. **Josephine Brennan**, Kilkenny St/Bowden Court. **James, (Jimmy) Joyce**, Aughamucky. **Ger, Anne, Cecilia, Daphne, Terry, John, Pat, Gar Moran**, Marymount.

ANNIVERSARY & INTENTION MASSES 26TH/27TH SEPTEMBER

Sat: 7pm **Michael Brooke**, Coolbaun
Joey Collins, Marymount

Sun: 8am For the people of the parish

Sun: 11am **William Shea**, Kilkenny Rd.
Jim & Annie O'Neill, The Spike, Donaguile

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. 26th Sept: 7pm **Brigid Coady**
Sun. 27th Sept: 8am **Margaret McGrath**
Sun. 27th Sept: 11am **Teresa Hetherington**

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

Sat. 26th Sept: 7pm **John Holohan**
Sun. 27th Sept: 8am **Lalaine Brennan**
Sun. 27th Sept: 11am **Jeanette Harding**
Tue. - Sat: (Daily Mass) **Mary Farrell**

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.

MALE VOICE CHOIR Celtic Concert with Gwalia
Welsh Singers in St Mary's Cathedral at 7pm, on
Saturday 3rd October. Tickets €25 & available at
www.eventbrite.ie

OSSORY LOURDES PILGRIMAGE Date May 14th -
May 19th 2027 All bookings, apart from assisted
pilgrims, at JWT. Tel 01 24108800.

DEENSIDE Please send greetings, to be included
in Christmas edition, for family/friends abroad,
to margcris@mac.com before September 23rd
2026.

ST. JOHN PAUL II AWARD group will run a 'pop-
up' shop of religious goods before/after 7pm
Mass on Saturday 26th September. This is a
service (not fundraiser) offered to the parish.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2027. A parents/
guardian introductory meeting on Thursday
22nd October 2026 at 7:30pm, in the church.

CASTLECOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL new
academic year opening service at 10am, Friday
25th September, in the church. All welcome.

ST. PADRE PIO: WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER Feast day
of Padre Pio of Pietrelcina, born Francesco Forgione,
remains one of the most revered and enigmatic figures
in modern Catholic history. This humble Italian
Capuchin friar, canonised in 2002, is perhaps best
known for bearing the stigmata, the visible wounds of
Christ, for over 50 years.

Beyond this profound physical manifestation, Padre
Pio was a spiritual powerhouse. Thousands flocked to
him for confession, seeking his direct, often
supernatural, guidance and spiritual healing. He
possessed gifts of prophecy, bilocation, and miraculous
intercession, dedicating his life to prayer, penance, and
the salvation of souls. His unwavering faith, profound
humility, and tireless service to God and humanity
continue to inspire millions worldwide, solidifying his
legacy as a powerful intercessor and a beacon of divine
grace.

A Prayer:

*O God, You gave St. Pio of Pietrelcina, the great privilege of
participating in a unique way in the passion of Your Son.
Grant me through his intercession the grace of... (here
state your petition) which I ardently desire; and above all
grant me the grace of living in conformity with the death of
Jesus to arrive at the glory of the resurrection.
Glory be to the Father. . . (three times)*

PARISH OFFERTORY AND COLLECTIONS:

Weekend: 12th/13th September €. 1810. Go raibh
maith agaibh

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