



# church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer

## PARISH NEWSLETTER



18<sup>th</sup> October 2015

### Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord

### Died Recently

Mary Breen  
Gowran/Gragara, Jenkinstown.  
Alice Rice The Prince.

### Anniversaries

Winifred (Winnie) & Frank Loughlin  
(Sat. 7.00pm.) Newtown.  
Sean Ryan (Sun. 10.00am.) Ardra.  
Donal McNerney (Sun. 11.30am.)  
Ballyhemmon.  
John & Statia Brennan (Mon. 9.00am.)  
Loon.  
Bill & Gladys Ryan (Tues. 9.00am.)  
1 Donaguile.  
Charles (Charley) Kavanagh  
(Sat. 10.00am.) Byrnesgrove.  
Thomas (Tom) Gleeson Kilkenny Road.  
Thomas (Tom) McSweeney  
Maryville/London.  
Mary O'Shea 17 Barrack St.  
Mary Ann (Moll) O'Shea  
17 Barrack St./Woodview House.  
Agnes Mullins Killeshin, Carlow.  
Patrick (Pat) Mullins Killeshin, Carlow.  
Mary (Minnie) O'Reilly Post Office.  
Martin Kenny Rathkyle.  
Sarah Lacy Firoda.  
Michael Brennan Smithstown.

Saturday – 24<sup>th</sup> October at 7.00pm.

### Month's Mind

Mary Cullen – Van Diemens Land,  
Donaguile.

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### Readers for next Weekend

**Vigil Mass** 7.00 pm. Mrs. Eithne McKenna.  
**Sunday** 8.00 am. Mrs. Brigid Coady.  
10.00 am. Mrs. Margaret Kavanagh.  
11.30 am. Ms. Olive Morrissey.

### Parish Pastoral Council 2016 - 2020

Please bring Nomination Papers this weekend or next weekend and put in box at Church door. (Nomination Papers available on table at the Porch for those who did not get them last weekend.)

### A Message for Young People Recent Homily of Papal Nuncio Archbishop Charles Brown in Roscrea August 2015

The papal nuncio to Ireland has said that young Irish Catholics need “to have the courage to be different” and rebel against a society that “is distancing itself from God”. Speaking at the closing Mass of the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Roscrea, Archbishop Charles Brown told the over 1,000 young people that the surrounding culture in our society “tends to dampen and extinguish” the joy of faith. “I ask you to be revolutionaries. I ask you to swim against the tide. Yes, I am asking you to rebel against this culture. That’s what it means to be a Catholic today in Ireland. It means to rebel, to be different, to continue to practise your faith, to love the person of Jesus, to receive the Holy Eucharist, to confess your sins and to be filled with the joy that only comes from him.”

Mission Sunday  
18<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Theme: ‘Abundant Life’

*Pope Francis notes that Mission Sunday 2015 takes place in the context of the Year of consecrated Life, which provides a further stimulus for prayer and reflection. Today, the Church’s mission is faced by the challenge of meeting the needs of all people to return to their roots and to project the values of their respective cultures. We may ask “Who are the first to whom the Gospel message must be proclaimed?” The answer, found so often throughout the Gospel is clear: it is the poor, the little ones and the sick, those who are often looked down upon or forgotten, those who cannot repay us. (cf Lk 14: 13-14).*

*Annual Church Door Collection for the work of Missionaries around the world. Please be generous – Thank you*

*Active Retirement Association  
Table Quiz  
in Bollards Lounge on  
Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October at 8.30pm.  
Table of 4 - €20.00  
All proceeds go to  
Church Organ Restoration Fund  
All are Welcome*

**Parish Liturgy Committee**  
A meeting of Parish Liturgy Committee will be held in the Parish Centre on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October at 8.00pm.  
*Members please note*

**Prayer Group**  
Will meet for Adoration and Prayer before Blessed Sacrament in Parish Centre on Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm.  
*All are Welcome*

**Weekly Envelope/Church Collection**  
Sunday, 11<sup>th</sup> October - €1,500.00  
Sincere thanks.

### Monster Bingo

Today, Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> October in Cillin Hill Centre, Old Dublin Road, Kilkenny, beginning at 3.00pm. €15,000.00 in Prizes in aid of restoration work on St. Mary’s Cathedral.

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015**  
**Cardinal Murphy O’Connor**  
(Retired Archbishop Westminster) will speak in St. Canice’s Church at 7.30pm. on ‘Pope Francis Witness to Mercy’

*Draw in Aid of  
Restoration of St. Mary’s Cathedral*  
If you wish to be in the October Draw please contact Promoter before Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> October - Sacristan, Ms. Maureen Kelly, Post Office, Parish Office, Mrs. Patty Owens – Ryefield. Draw will take place in Chapter House, (beside Cathedral) on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> Oct. at 8.00pm. All Welcome.

**Castlecomer Folk Choir**  
“Commit as often as you can”  
Whether it’s until Christmas, once every 2/3 weeks, once a month, once a school term! We need more people, we need you. Practice is every Saturday before Mass beginning at 5.50pm. sharp in the Gallery.  
*We need people to make an effort to come the days they can!*

**Group CPR AED Courses**  
A full course and a short refresher course planned soon. Tel: 087 2936209 for more details.

**Parish Centre - Open on**  
Monday 10.30am. – 5.00pm.  
Tuesday – 10.00am. – 1.00pm.  
Friday- 10.00am. – 5.30pm.

**LOTTO JACKPOT €9,800.00**  
**Draw on Monday at 9.30pm.**  
(Vault’s)