

Mercy – Understanding the Papacy of Francis

The Papacy of Francis has attracted the attention, and captured the imagination, not only of Catholics but also of the wider world. His words, spoken clearly and simply, seem to offer hope to a world in need of it.

Searching for a common theme or thread around which his papacy can be understood is not a difficult task. Through this series of talks and Ossory Faith Development group hope to explore this important topic and how it is to be lived/experienced in our Church today.

Venue: St Patrick's Parish Centre, Loughboy. Adm. Free.

Wednesday 18th November: Seán McDonagh
Laudato Si' and caring for our world – Mercy lived.

Retired Nurses Association of Ireland

Mass for Retired and Deceased Nurses will be celebrated in St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy on Wednesday 18th at 10.30am – followed by a Tea/Coffee morning in the Parish Centre. Proceeds to the Carlow/Kilkenny Homecare Team.

The Thomas Hayes Trust

Giving Light and Hope service to commemorate the lives lost through Suicide. Join with us Fri. 20th November at 7.00pm in St Canice's Church.

Kilkenny Horticultural Society

Lecture by Eva Holmes Horticulturalist Darver Nurseries Jenkinstown "Winter Work and Pruning in the Garden" takes place at 8pm in The Club House Hotel On Thursday 19th November all welcome.

Society of St Vincent De Paul

Monthly collection takes place next weekend 21st & 22nd November.

Kilkenny Age Friendly Bi-Annual Meeting

Will be held next Wednesday in the Ormonde Hotel from 10am to 1pm. Theme for the day 'Safety in your Home and Community'. Speakers from An Garda Siochana, Fire Services and the HSE will make presentations.

If you are interested in attending, please contact 056-7772787 or send e-mail to agefriendlycounty@gmail.com on or before Mon 16th Nov 2015

We would also invite people to join the Kilkenny Age Friendly Older Peoples Forum and registration forms will be available on the 18th Nov.

Forthcoming Events To Note

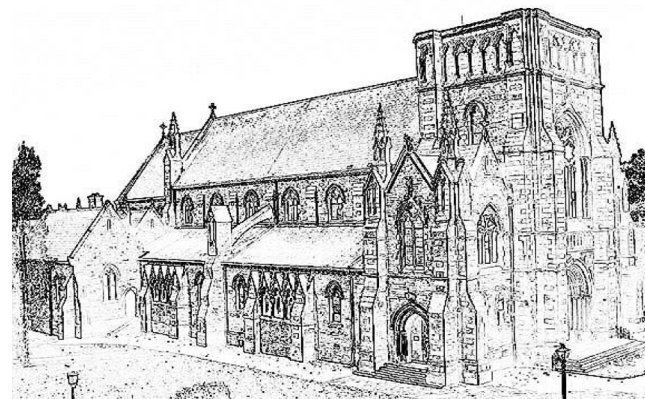
Sat 28th Nov: Auction in aid of St Mary's – O'Loughlin Gaels Complex.

Sun 29th Nov: Celebrating Religious Life in our Diocese – St Kieran's College.

Tues 24th & Tues 1st Dec: Formation for Readers of The Word – St Fiacre's.

Sun, 31st Jan: Annual Parish Social – Langton House Hotel.

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Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 15th November 2015

Readers at Mass - Ministers of the Word

Recognising the importance of the ministry of proclaiming The Word at Mass, the Diocese of Ossory is offering a number of evenings for those who are already serving as *Ministers of the Word* in our Parish and those who might be starting out.

We invite, and encourage, those who carry out this ministry in our parish to attend the following sessions for the Middle Deanery of the Diocese.

Tuesday 24th Nov. St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy at 7.30pm.

Speaker Fr Seán Maher – *Putting Flesh on Words: The Bible and its importance to our Faith Community*

Tuesday 1st Dec. St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy, 7.30pm.

Speaker Fr Kieran O'Shea – *The Word Made Flesh – The ministry of bringing God's Word to Life.*

Annual Bereavement Mass

The St John's Parish Annual Bereavement Mass will be celebrated in St John's on this Wednesday November 18th, at 7.30pm.

Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

Deaths: Eric Dunphy, Assumption Place.
Margaret Hoyne, Ballycallan.
Michael Dunphy Jnr, late of Kilkenny.
Aidan Dardis, Clondalkin, *Mass in Clondalkin 11.30am Mon.*
Tom Brennan, Michael Street, *Funeral Mass 12 noon today, Sun.*
Helena Butler nee Ayres, Stoneyford. *Mass in St Marys Sun 11.00 am.*
Cyril Kennedy, Castlecomer Rd. *Mass in St Mary’s Sun at 2.00 pm.*

Anniv: Deceased members of the Rush Family (6.30pm);
Thomas Higgins (10.30am); John Butler (7.30pm); Walter Tallis;
Seán Walsh; Mary Mulcahy; Josephine Geoghegan; Jim Fogarty
Richard Phelan; Bridgid Holohan; Patrick & Ann Nolan; Joseph Murphy;
Michael & Margaret Smullen; Ned Delaney; Dick and Annie Burke.
Jack Kavanagh; John Bradley; Dermot Butler; Michael Gibbons;
Michael & Mary Dunphy;

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8.00am	Ann Marie Hogan
10.30am	Kathleen Ferguson & Saoirse Ryan
12.00noon	Bobbie Lahart
7.30pm	Eileen Kinane
Johnswell 10.00am	Seán Colgan
Dunmore 11.00am	Martina Brennan & Tom Keating

Weekly Envelope Collection

Thanks to all who contribute and those who pay by Standing Order. S.O. forms available in Parish Office.

Ossory Vocations Promotion #51

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will not pass away.”

How is Christ calling you to share His eternal words of salvation? Consider a vocation to the priesthood. Call or Email. Fr. Willie Purcell Ossory
Vocations Director: ossoryvocdir@gmail.com 056 7770261

Ossory Priests Society

The Ossory Priests Society is responsible for making suitable financial provision for the care of the priests in the Diocese of Ossory in infirmity, sickness and old age. The Annual Collection for this good cause takes place *this weekend*, outside church.

Parish Pastoral Council

The November meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council takes place this coming Thursday at 7.30pm in the Presbytery.

SUPER AUCTION

A Super Auction in aid of St Mary’s Restoration Fund will take place on **Saturday, 28th Nov. in O’Loughlin Gaels Complex.**

Viewing from 10.00 am; Auction 11.30 am. Catalogue: €3.

Contributions of:

Original Paintings

Garden & Household Furniture

Antiques

Firewood

Crockery

Lamps

Toys

etc. would be most welcome.

‘EVERY LITTLE HELPS’! Your generous support will help this event for the Diocese to be a great success.

Johnswell Sale of Work

A meeting to arrange the annual sale of work will take place this Monday at 8.00pm. All wishing to help out on the day are welcome to attend.

The Annual sale of work takes place on Sunday 22nd Nov. at 2.00pm.

St John’s Junior School

St John’s Junior School is having a clothes collection fundraiser, money raised will go towards the purchase of classroom resources. Bags of clothing can be dropped into the school from 9.00am-3.30pm on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th November.

Dunmore Annual Bake / Cake Sale

The annual bake/cake sale will take place on Sunday 6th Dec. after the 11 am mass. Please support by baking, drop goodies to the Hall before mass and then by joining us for a cup of tea after mass. Raffle donations can also be dropped before mass. All are very welcome.