



# church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

20<sup>th</sup> December 2015



### Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord Month's Mind

Philomena (Phil) Heffernan (Sun. 11.30am)  
Castlecomer District Hospital/Ardra.

### Anniversaries

David Bolster & Sharon Bolster  
(Sat. 7.00pm.) Kilkenny Road.  
Richard (Dick) & Anne Holohan  
(Sun. 10.00am.) Marymount.  
Thomas (Tom) Owens (Mon. 9.00am.)  
Ryefield.  
Martin Boran (Tues. 9.00am.)  
5 Marymount.

Joseph (Joe) & Kay Brennan  
(Wed. 9.00am) Manchester/Moneenroe.  
Katie Moran (Thurs.9.00am.)  
Cruttenclough.

Mary Booth Glenmullen.  
Patrick Byrne Firoda.  
May Higgins (nee Hetherington)  
24 Kilkenny St.

Eileen Hetherington 24 Kilkenny St.  
James (Jim) Buggy 15 Hillside View.  
Martin McKenna The Square.  
Richard McKenna The Square.  
Anastasia Mealy 46 Kilkenny St.  
John Devlin 1 Florence Tee.

Margaret Murphy Firoda.  
Peggie Murphy Firoda.  
William (Bill) Curran Aughamuckey.  
Mary Byrne Crosshill.  
Thomas Coughlin 27 Hillside View.  
Helen Loughlin Ardra.  
Mary & Peter Walsh Drumshambo.  
James & Johanna Ryan Ardra.

Angela Dillon Corner House.  
Thomas Fogarty Chatsworth St.  
Owen McEntee Conahy.

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### Readers for Feast of Nativity of Our Lord

8.00pm. Ms. Orfhlaith Brennan.

### Readers for Christmas Day

8.00 am. Mrs. Margaret McGrath.  
10.00 am. Mrs. Catherine Comerford.  
11.30 am. Mr. George Mealy.

### Readers for Feast of the Holy Family

**Vigil Mass** 7.00 pm. Mrs. Eithne McKenna.  
**Sunday** 8.00 am. Mr. Dick Mullins.  
10.00 am. Mrs. Patty Owens.  
11.30 am. Mrs. Teresa Hetherington.

### Anniversaries continued

Kieran & Tom Brennan Ardra.  
Mary Moran Ardra.  
John Crennan Knocknadogue.  
Patrick Kelly (Snr.) 52 Barrack St.

*We wish all people of the Parish a Blessed  
Christmas and a Happy New Year. Thank  
you for your kind support throughout the  
year.*  
*Fr. Michael Ryan. & Fr. Joseph Campion.*

### Mass Times

*From Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> December until Saturday  
2<sup>nd</sup> January all weekday Masses will be  
celebrated at 10.00am.*

### The Celebration of Christmas

Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> December 2015

**8.00pm.** Concelebrated Mass of  
Christmas Night.  
(Parish Folk Choir)

### Christmas Day

Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> December

**8.00am.** Dawn Mass  
(Congregational Singing)

**10.00am.** Christmas Day Mass  
(Male Voice Choir)

**11.30am.** Christmas Day Mass  
(Ms. Leah Brophy)

### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

*Before and after the Vigil Mass this  
weekend and on Christmas Eve from  
6.30pm. – 7.30pm.*

### Christmas Collection for the Priests of the Parish

Contributions will be gratefully received  
this weekend, Christmas Day and  
following Sunday.

*Please use envelope supplied*

### Most Rev. Laurence Forristal Retired Bishop of Ossory

On Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> December 2015, Bishop  
Forristal will celebrate the Diamond  
Jubilee of his ordination to the Priesthood  
on that day in 1955 in Rome. This  
weekend Bishop Freeman, requests that  
we pray for our retired Bishop, asking  
God's blessing on him and remembering  
with gratitude his sixty years of Priesthood  
and twenty-six of them as our Bishop  
(1981 – 2007) Bishop Forristal is resident  
in the Abbey Nursing Home, Gowran.

### Weekly Envelope/Church Collection

Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> December - €1,730.00  
Sincere thanks.

### Carol Service & Scripture Readings

Parish Church

Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm.

With

Parish Folk Choir

Castlecomer Male Voice Choir

Community School Choir

All are welcome

### Prayer Group

Will meet for Adoration and Prayer before  
Blessed Sacrament in Parish Centre on  
Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December at 7.30pm.

All are Welcome

### Visiting the Sick and Elderly

Fr. Ryan will visit the sick and elderly in his  
area on Tuesday morning and Fr. Campion  
will visit on Thursday in his area.

### Deenside Minstrels

Have produced a CD '*Songs of Yester Year*'  
The CD's are on sale in John O'Rourke's and  
Post Office. Price: €5.00. All proceeds go  
to Castlecomer District Hospital.

*A perfect gift for those at home and abroad!*

### Wellington Race 2016

Volunteers are needed to steward and collect  
on New Year's Day. If you can help, please  
contact any committee member on New Year's  
morning at 12noon. in the Community Hall to  
receive instructions.

*This is a very Special Day in the Community  
so please do get involved*

### Parish Centre

Open on

Monday – 10.30am. – 1.00pm.

### LOTTO JACKPOT €11,600.00

Draw on Monday at 9.30pm.

(Bollard's)