

**Church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer**  
**PARISH NEWSLETTER**  
**6th December 2015**



**Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord  
Died Recently**

Ellen (Ellie) Coogan (nee Purcell)  
Lower Yellow Road.

**Anniversaries**

Helen Mulcahy (Sat. 7.00pm)  
Yellow Road.  
Daniel (Dan) & Mary Dowd  
(Sun. 10.00am.) Kiltown.  
Peter Comerford (Sun. 11.30am) Ardra.  
Catherine Walsh (Mon. 7.30pm.)  
8 Kiltown.  
Patrick (Pat) & Mary O'Neill  
(Wed. 9.00am.) Cloneen.  
Thomas & Brigid Healy &  
John & Brigid Blackmore (Fri. 9.00am.)  
Mayhora/England.  
Mark Kennedy Mayhora.  
Elizabeth Mealey Gorteen.  
Paul Sherwood Maryville.

**Month's Mind**

Saturday – 12<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.  
Kathleen Walsh – 30 Kilkenny St.

**Deenside**

On Sale this weekend at Church door.  
Sincere thanks to Editor, Mrs. Margaret  
McGrath for this annual much appreciated  
local publication.

**Society of St. of Vincent de Paul  
Christmas Collection Next Weekend**

*We appeal for your generous support at  
this time when there are so many requests  
for help. Thank you.*

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**Readers for Feast of Immaculate Conception  
Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December**

**Vigil Mass Monday** 7.30pm. Mrs. Maureen Holohan.  
**Tuesday** 8.00am. Mrs. Margaret McGrath.  
11.30am. Mr. Eamon Kavanagh.

**Readers for next Weekend**

**Vigil Mass** 7.00 pm. Ms. Majella Fenlon.  
**Sunday** 8.00 am. Mr. Donall Dunne.  
10.00 am. Ms. Muireann McSweeney.  
11.30 am. Mrs. Sheila Pedini.

**Prayer Group**

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

**Christmas Party for Senior Citizens**

Will be held today Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> December in the  
Golf Club at 1.00pm.

**Advance Notice  
Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December**

Festival of Carols and Lessons in the Colliery  
Church at 8.00pm. Castlecomer Male Voice  
Choir will lead the congregation in singing  
traditional Christmas Carols.  
*All are Welcome*

*Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015*  
*Feast of Immaculate Conception of*  
*Blessed Virgin Mary*  
*(Patron Feast of our Parish)*

*Holyday of Obligation*

*Vigil Mass on Monday at 7.30pm.*  
*Feastday: Mass at 8.00am., 11.30am.*

*'Mary I love you as the one*  
*who trusted the Word of God*  
*and yielded your whole person to*  
*the plan of our eternal Father'*  
*Amen*

**Castlecomer Boys School**

The Board of Management is pleased to  
announce the recent appointment of  
Mr. Philip O'Riain as Principal of the  
Boys School in succession to Mr. John  
Kelly.

Mr. O'Riain is living in Mountrath,  
Co. Laois and is currently on the staff of  
St. Colman's National School Stradbally,  
Co. Laois.

The Board of Management along with the  
staff, parents and pupils wish to thank  
Mr. John Kelly for his commitment and  
dedication to the welfare of the pupils  
during his years as teacher and his years as  
Principal (2000 – 2015). In particular they  
would like to record their special thanks  
for the courteous and gentlemanly way he  
treated all the pupils of the School and his  
availability to parents at all times. They  
wish him good health and peace for a long  
and fulfilled retirement.

**Presentation Convent National School**

The Chairperson of the Board of  
Management, Mr. Pat Parle and the  
Principal, Ms. Margaret Maxwell wish to  
thank all who prepared the wonderful  
celebrations held recently to honour the  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the opening of the  
present School in 1965. **Full text on  
Notice Board in Church Porch.**

**Fassadinin History Society**  
Rose Love will give a talk on  
'Survey of early Irish Law  
(The Brehon Law and Society)  
in the meeting room over the Library,  
on Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00pm.  
**Adm. €4.00 - All are welcome**

**Advent Texts**

The Diocese Faith Development Group is,  
once again, offering the daily text service  
during Advent. Each day a short line of  
scripture or reflection will be sent to your  
mobile phone. If you would like to receive  
these messages, at no cost, please send your  
mobile number by text to 085-8313100 or  
email [afd@ossory.ie](mailto:afd@ossory.ie)

**Advent Reflections 2015**

At Masses this weekend, and for each of the  
Sundays of Advent, a leaflet is available on  
table in Church Porch which contains a line of  
scripture from each of the daily readings. We  
invite people to take a copy as maybe an  
opportunity to take a short moment, at home or  
at work, each day during Advent to reflect.

**Kilkenny Leader Partnership**

Are running an Employability workshop in  
Castlecomer Enterprise Centre on Tuesday,  
8<sup>th</sup> December from 9.30am – 3.00pm.  
Spaces are limited please contact Moira  
Duggan on 086-0233168 to book your place.

**Weekly Envelope/Church Collection**

Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> November - €1,500.00  
Sincere thanks.

**Parish Centre - Open on**

Monday – 10.30am. – 1.00pm.  
Tuesday - 10.00 – 5.00pm.  
Friday- 10.00am. – 5.30pm.

**LOTTO JACKPOT €11,200.00**

**Draw on Monday at 9.30pm.**  
**(Shortall's)**