

Kilkenny MABS

Kilkenny MABS is concerned with the difficulties being faced by many people with mortgage and debt issues. Anyone affected by debt should not ignore the matter but seek help as early as possible and this may alleviate the stress and social difficulties associated with debt. Kilkenny MABS is a Free, Confidential and Independent Service funded through CIB. Contact Kilkenny MABS, 8 William St, 0761072610 or Kilkenny@mabs.ie

Blackwatch Studio

Nicola Brown Fine Art Textile Artist will be joining us for a one day Eco Printing workshop on Saturday the 18th of March. During this workshop, Nicola, will introduce us to the fascinating and exciting art of printing on fabric and paper using natural materials from the hedgerow, kitchen and garden. You will take home a selection of beautiful printed items. The cost of the full day including one silk scarf (you may also bring natural woollen items), is €95 for further details contact Vicki on 086 837 0205 or email blackwatchstudiokk@gmail.com

Rosary

There will be a rosary recited at the Town Hall/Tholsel Kilkenny city at 7:30 pm on Thursday the 23rd of February in honour of our lady of Fatima.

South Kilkenny Historical Society

A lecture on The Burning of Brigid Cleary will take place next Thursday February 23rd at 8pm in Mullinavat Parish Hall. The speaker is Mr Michael Power. Admission: €5 (members free) All welcome.

Marriage Seminar

While attending a Marriage Seminar dealing with communication, Tom and his wife Grace listened intently to the instructor...

"It is essential that husbands and wives know each other's likes and dislikes," to which Tom and Grace nodded their heads in agreement. Then he addressed Tom, "Can you name your wife's favourite flower?" Tom was pleased he knew the answer instantly. He leaned over, touched his wife's arm gently and whispered, "It's Odium's, honey, isn't it?"

A Real Gut-Buster

Ruth noticed her husband standing on the bathroom scales, sucking in his stomach. "Ha, ha--!" she teased, "that's not going to help one bit." "Oh, it sure does," he said. "cause it's the only way I can see the numbers."

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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 19th February 2017

'You have learnt how it was said:'

We all like our friends and we want to remember their birthdays and other special occasions. If they need our help, we are glad to be able to lend a hand, offer a listening ear, share our time or give some useful advice.

In contrast, we are not quite so kind to the people we dislike. If we really dislike them, to the point of hatred, then we may be tempted to treat them unjustly or, at least, damage their character by slandering them and gossiping about them. For Christians, this type of behaviour is unthinkable, precisely because Jesus explicitly forbade it.

During his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus reminded his audience about the Old Law before taking them forward to the perfection of the New Law: 'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you' (Mt 5:43-44). When we next receive a request for help, by a neighbour or work colleague to whom we are not naturally drawn, let us remember Jesus' exhortation and respond with kindness and generosity.

Deaths – Month’s Minds – Anniversaries

Deaths: Teasy Roche, Johnswell.
Edward Hennessy, Patrick Street.
Ellen Lee, Ladywell, Kells.

Annivs: Chris Hoban (6.30pm); Statia & Nicholas Power (8.00am);
Mary Butler (10.00am); Francie Murphy (10.30am);
The Leahy Family (11.00am); Teresa Hewitt (12.00 noon);
Jimmy Leahy (7.30pm); William McGrath; Martin Coogan;
Mollie Cunningham; Liam Reidy; Andy O’Driscoll; Vera & Jack Shortall;
Jimmy Gahan; Maura Butler; Kathleen & Charles Bartholomew;
Nan & Kathleen O’Dwyer; Peter & John O’Rourke; Nancy Dowling;
Catherine, Thomas & Jim Ryan; Peter, Joe & Nora McCarthy;
Abraham & Margaret Anderson.

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8.00am	Martin Blake
10.30am	Kathleen Ferguson & Saoirse Ryan
12.00noon	Bobbie Lahart & Seán Ware
7.30pm	Marie Fogarty
Johnswell 10.00am	Josie Manning & Fiona Manning
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.

St Vincent De Paul Society

Monthly collection will take place this weekend. Thank you.

Saint Mary’s Cathedral Restoration Draw

The 12th of the Diocesan Monthly Draws in aid of St. Mary’s Cathedral Restoration Fund will take place on **Wednesday, 22nd February** in the Chapter Room.

Tickets are available at the Parish Office and at the Sacristy.

Year Three of this fundraising project will commence in March.

We appeal to all current promoters and members to sign up once again and new members are earnestly sought to join so that significant progress can be made to pay off the debt still owed on the Cathedral Renovations.

Year Three Draw Cards are now available at the Parish Office for current and new promoters.

O’Loughlins Gaels Victory Dinner Dance

O’Loughlin Gaels GAA will host its Club Dinner Dance in the Club Hall on Friday March the 10th.

As 2016 was a special year for the Club with the Senior Hurlers been crowned County Champions, this will also be a night when the players will officially be presented their medals.

A three-course meal, music, dancing, disco and a year full of positive memories to recount it promises to be a special night.

Tickets available from the club bar and committee members with more details available on the club website. www.oloughlingaels.gaa.ie/notice-board

Music by Drops of Green followed by DJ Seanie-D.

Contacts for Tickets:

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Eileen Cleere 086 379 3685; Mary Deegan 086 339 6662

Coleman Loughnane 086 331 2944; John Joe Cullen 086 169 0659 and Nigel Leydon 086 230 7279.

The Priory Institute

Join our supportive student community and study theology by distance learning this Spring. Application deadline: 28th February. Tel: 01 404 8124; for details.

Table Quiz

A table quiz in support of Temple Street Foundation will take place on Friday 3rd March at 8.30pm in Kyteler’s Inn. €10 per person and all are welcome.

Connect Café

Opening on Monday 27th February, the connect café is a community based drop in Café at St Canice’s neighbourhood hall in the butt’s green. Hours from 10.30 to 1pm. Each Contact Lorraine on 086 440 6022.