ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



Parish Office: St Mary's Cathedral, James's Street, Kilkenny Tel: (056) 772 1253 Email: stmaryscathedral@ossory.ie Rev Dermot Ryan, Adm. Email: dermotryan@ossory.ie 8th June 2025 – Pentecost Sunday

A thought

Kilkenny has won 76 Leinster titles but the only one that matters now is today's game.. It is always the next one that counts. Yes, we have enjoyed the ones that came before -savoured them, celebrated them... but once the dust settles on one year the next becomes the focus. So today for all travelling we hope for more. Being competitive is good - God calls us to it. Jesus continually asks us to strive for a better version of ourselves personally, morally and spiritually. For athletes, competing is part of their very DNA - the desire to win drives them on... I am not sure we can/should pray for success -but equally I am not sure I was always that philosophical or honourable with minutes to go in a tight game.. I have asked for the odd favour.

Fr Dermot

Please remember the following in your prayers

Charles (Charlie) Shore, Robertshill.

Anniversaries

11.00am - Jim & Margaret Butler, Dominic St, Peter O'Dwyer, Old Callan Road and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Margaret (Peg) Neary, David Murphy, Martin (Murt) Rowe, Mary Dermody.

Weekly Collections

Envelopes: €340.00. Baskets €1,207.12. Your support of the parish is greatly appreciated.

Jubilee Year of Hope – Young Adults - Dare to Hope – Conference for Young Adult from the age of 18-35 yrs.

Knock Shrine – Saturday 14th June 2025 – 9.30 a.m. – 5.30 p.m. This event is for all Young Adults but there will be a special welcome for those who are travelling to Rome for the Jubilee of Youth and will be part of their preparation; however please know that it is open to all Young Adults. Cost: €20 Register via Eventbrite.

Padre Pio

Padre Pio's Glove will be in Fitzpatrick's House, Kilberry, Athy, Co. Kildare on Saturday 14th June from 11.00am-5.00pm. More information call Ann 085 1696189

Volunteers Needed

Can you spare approx. 1 hour per week? The "Meals on Wheels" service need new volunteers to deliver meals around Kilkenny city. Must be a car driver. If you would like to join our team please ring the Kilkenny Social Services at this number: 056 7721685

Day of Life

This year's Day for Life, Sunday 15th June 2025, is an invitation to pray for those who suffer and to remain with them like the Good Samaritan, bearing witness to their unique and unrepeatable value. We see this closeness in the generous and fruitful service of healthcare professionals, whose mission continues even when there is no longer any prospect of physical healing. We see it in another way in families, carers and chaplains who support their brothers and sisters who are sick or frail or struggling with the many burdens of life. As Christians, we affirm them and hold out to them the hope of Jesus Christ who does not disappoint us. To read the full bishops' message visit www.councilforlife.ie

World famous Colorado Choir for St. Mary's Cathedral

The Colorado Cantata Choir will perform at St Mary's Cathedral in aid of the restoration fund on Friday 13th June at 7.30pm sharp. The singers hail from the Arvada United Methodist Church directed by Tim Kennedy and the Greeley First Congregationalist Church directed by Nicholas Gilmore. Dan Nebel is the organist and accompanist.

Midsummer Musical Evening at St Fiacre's Church

Join Cois Nore for a Midsummer Musical Evening at St Fiacre's Church, June 13th at 7pm. Special guests include Mother of Fair Love School Choir, Soprano Poppy Hennessy, Mick Foley and Nell Ní Chróinin. Tickets can be bought at the door €10pp and kids go free. Raffle on the night. Proceeds go to Cois Nore and Mother of Fair Love.

St Mary's Cathedral, Chapter House Bookshop

Monday 9.30am till 1.00pm and Tuesday - Friday 9.30am till 5.00pm.

Readers Next Weekend 11.00am – M. Finnegan, 5.30pm – Sr Nuala Eucharistic Ministers 11.00am – K. Moran, M. Walsh, B. Dunphy 5.30pm – T. Lawlor, F. Culleton

YOUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES: Sr Betty Cagney, Martina Lawlor Contact: safeguardingstmarys@ossory.ie

If you, or anyone you know, has a Safeguarding concern please contact: **Diocesan Director of Safeguarding and Designated Liaison Person, DLP,** Ailish Higgins at 087 8021633

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An Garda Síochána: 1800 555 222 or your local Garda Station Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313416 www.towardshealing.ie Towards Peace Helpline: 01 5053028 www.towardspeace.ie

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