

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



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13th July 2025 – 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A thought...There is, I have found out since living here, a difference between part-time and full-time tourists. The former are most of us who sight-see during the day and then eat or relax in the evenings, the latter are those people who come into the Cathedral grounds at or after 11pm with tripods to take pictures of the Cathedral (as I write this there are people doing just that). They are the ones not missing any opportunity or time to see the sights. I am not sure I want to live life in that fashion, or certainly holiday in that manner. But it does remind us of how lucky we are to come to pray in this magnificent place... others marvel at it and we come here *simply* to speak with God... Architectural beauty aside, that in this location people speak to God – yes, it is worthy of a photo at 11pm at night... *Fr Dermot*

Please remember the following in your prayers

Anniversaries

11.00am –**Month's Mind** Bernadette Wall, Walkin St, Mary Neary, Kickham St, Michael Quinlan, Jnr, Dominic St, Danny Phelan, Stephen St. and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Sarah Meredith, Mary Hogan, Patricia Wiltshire, David Gaffney, Christy, Brigid and Pat Murray.

Weekly Collections

Envelopes: €460.00. Baskets €1,404.14. Your support of the parish is greatly appreciated.

Cemetery Mass

The annual Foulkstown Cemetery Mass will take place on Thursday, 31st July at 7.30pm

Samaritans Shop

Samaritans shop in St. Kieran's street would welcome volunteers to help in the shop. If you have three hours a week to spare and would enjoy working in a shop environment please contact Ann on 086 6038985

Cathedral Bookshop

Extensive range of religions items for every occasion. Why not come and browse - you might be surprised!

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

Kilkenny Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Pilgrimage 17th September to 24th September. Accommodation near Church. Weather will be warm but not hot. Bookings Ann 0861991620 or 086 8825622

Inner Healing Retreat Kilkenny

Faith Formation based on the teachings of the Catholic Church and Inner Healing Adoration Led by: Fr. Prince Clarence S.J. Date: Monday, 14th July 2025 Time: 6pm – 10pm at St. Mary's Cathedral. Confessions before Mass Holy Mass and Inner Healing Adoration Contact: Catherine: 087 2068338 Margaret: 087 2312066. Email us: ruachministry5@gmail.com

Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage to Ladywell, Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny

Theme: Mary, Mother of Hope. 15th August 2025 3.00 p.m. 'Happy those who hear the Word of God and Keep it' (Luke: 11:28). Bishop Niall will celebrate Mass to commence the Ladywell Season to include the Annual Novena to Our Lady in this Holy Year of Hope.

St Mary's Cathedral, Chapter House Bookshop

Monday & Tuesday 9.30am - 1.00pm and Wednesday - Friday 9.30am - 5.00pm.

Readers Next Weekend 11.00am – G. Cody, 5.30pm – M. Dowling.

Eucharistic Ministers 11.00am – K. Moran, M. Walsh, R. Neary.
5.30pm – T. Lawlor, K. Lawlor.

YOUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPS: 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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