

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL



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3rd August 2025 – 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A thought... This past week we celebrated the feast days of St Ignatius Loyola and St Alphonsus Liguori. Two people who founded great religious communities to follow in their footsteps preaching the Gospel. It occurs to me that such "great" figures are not merely of the past but they exist today. I am thinking of Carlo Maria Acutis, the young Italian man who died in 2006 and many others - even those we know, live with, work with... Saints are in our midst - they are people who do the simple things well. They are not always easy to live with as they can make demands but they are always good people. May the Lord continue to call saints and may they, each in their own unique way, respond.

Fr Dermot

Please remember the following in your prayer

John Myles Delaney, Ballyragget.

Anniversaries

11.00am – John Joe Henebry, Dunmore, Sami Corcoran, Robertshill (Month's Mind) and those whose anniversaries occur about this time Catherine Moriarty, Clare Donnelly, Patrick Hickey, Michael and Declan Lawlor, Annie Campion.

Weekly Collections

Envelopes: €345.00. Baskets €2,135.73. Your support of the parish is greatly appreciated.

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 religious items for every occasion. Why not come and browse - you might be surprised!

Lake Productions will present 'The man born to be King' on 9th, 10th and 11th September 2025, in The Black Abbey, Kilkenny. The religious play will be presented in conjunction with the Black Abbey in celebrating their 800th anniversary.

Bishop Coll welcomes Blessed Statue of the Sacred Heart to Ossory Diocese

In this *Jubilee Year of Hope 2025*, the Pilgrim Statue of the Sacred Heart, blessed by Pope Francis on 8th January 2025, as it continues its pilgrimage throughout Ireland, will visit the Diocese of Ossory in July and August.

Monday, 4th - 16th August 2025: Church of the Sacred Heart, Moneenroe, Co. Kilkenny.

Saturday, 16th August 2025: Bishop Niall will celebrate Mass at 6.00 p.m. in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Moneenroe, Clogh, Co. Kilkenny, after which the Statue will leave the Diocese of Ossory.

Concert in St Canice's Cathedral-August 5th, 7.00-9.00pm

Airneán, led by Kilkenny native Joe Leydon will host US choir Encore for an evening of song on August 5th. Encore is the USA's largest choral organization for adults 55 and over, and a leading organisation in creative aging. Tickets on Eventbrite.

Men's Jubilee Camino

Men's hike - Sat Sept 13th 20kms, on greenway, from Dominican abbey (ruin) in Carlingford to Newry (St Catherine's) via Newry Cathedral (Jubilee Indulgence). Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions & Fraternity. Registration & details on www.dominicans.ie/events/ €70 (Lunch, dinner & bus), over 18s male event. Enquiries to op.evangelisation@gmail.com.

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 – C. Kabuika, 5.30pm – T. Lawlor

Eucharistic Ministers 11.00am-R. Neary, F. Culleton, B. Dunphy.
5.30pm – K. Lawlor, B. Cagney.

YOUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPS: Sr Betty Cagney, Martina Lawlor

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