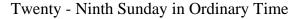
Church of the Immaculate Conception Castlecomer



20th October 2024

Parish Newsletter





+ BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO DIE IN THE LORD +

ANNIVERSARY MASSES:

Sat 19th, 7pm: Kathleen Tynan, Skehana

Patrick Kealy, Castlecomer/London

Sun 20th, 11am: Lil & Willie Coogan, Andorra House, Kilkenny Rd

Maureen Healy, Donaguile Heights

Mon 21st, 9am: Statia Brennan, Loon

Tues 22nd, 9am: Bill & Gladys Ryan, Donaguile

Sat 26th, 10am: Sean Ryan & Deceased members of the Ryan & Kavanagh families, Ardra

ANNIVERSARY INTENTIONS:

Thomas Ryan, Aughamuckey; Terry Renwick, Aughamuckey; Bridie & Tom Gleeson, Kilkenny Rd. Fr. Joseph Campion SAC. C.C.; Maurice Ryan, Aughamuckey; John Healy, Donaguile Heights; Theresa Cusack (nee Hefferan), London/Ardra; Martin Cusack, London/Gort; Moll O'Shea, Barrack St

Weekend Mass Intentions for $26^{\text{th}}/27^{\text{th}}$ October

Sun 27th, 11am: Noel Owens, Ryefield House, Mayhora

Donal McInearney, Ballyhemmon

PRAYER DURING THE DAY

The Angelus & Rosary every Monday – Saturday at 12(noon) & Sunday at 3pm:

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Adoration every Tuesday: 7pm - 9pm; Rosary at 8pm First Sunday of the month 3pm-5pm

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PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPS:

Eilish Dunne & Ger Comerford

Contact: Parish email or 056 444 1969

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Week ending 13th October: €1,755.00 SINCERE THANKS TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED

MINISTRIES & NOTICES:

Ministers of Word: 26th/27thOctober

Saturday 7pm: Brigid Coady Sunday 8am: Donal Dunne

Sunday 11am: Margaret Kavanagh

Ministers of Eucharist: 21st/27th October

Mon(9am)- Sat(10am): Angela Byrne

Saturday 7pm: Louise Walsh Sunday 8am: Margaret O'Neill Sunday 11am: Eoin Stowe

THE PARISH OFFICE:

The office is open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9.30am – 12.30pm. Please contact the office to arrange masses or other sacraments and all parish business.

COUNSELLING SERVICE:

Towards Healing Confidential Helpline 1800 313 316 - www.towardshealing.ie

MISSION SUNDAY CHURCH DOOR COLLECTION

Annual Church Door collection will be taken up this weekend. World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. Pamphlets on 'mission news' are available at the back of the church. Sincere thanks to all who contribute.

OCTOBER STATION ENVELOPES

The October Station Envelope Contributions are now due. These contributions go towards the income of our priests. Your continued generosity is much appreciated. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to register with the Parish and receive contribution envelopes.

Do This In Memory

We welcome the children from our primary schools who are preparing for the Sacraments of First Penance and First Eucharist to our 11am Mass next weekend. As they begin the 'Do This in Memory' Parish Programme of preparation, we keep them in our prayers and pray that their parents and families may pass the light of faith on to them.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

St. Luke's Hospital Remembrance Mass St. Luke's General Hospital for Carlow/ Kilkenny Annual Remembrance Mass will take place on Tuesday, 22nd October at 7.30pm in St. Canice's Parish Church, Kilkenny for families and loved ones of patients who have died in our hospital. The Mass can also be viewed via the following link: www.stcanicesparish.ie/web-cam

FASSADININ HISTORY SOCIETY

A talk on 'Castlecomer in the Papers 1922/1923' by Margaret O'Neill will take place in the Meeting Room in Castlecomer Hall on Tuesday 22nd October, at 8.00pm. Adm. €5.00 All are welcome.

CASTLECOMER COIS NORE OUTREACH

Cois Nore Castlecomer invites you to the Outreach Coffee morning at the Old Court House in Kilkenny Street on the 23rd October at 10am. All welcome.

COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS (CFR)

Programme starting in Castlecomer area shortly. CFR volunteers attend emergencies such as strokes, & heart attacks. Anyone interested must complete a CPR course. Please contact Thomas on 087-291-2155 by 31st October. Meetings will then be discussed once registered.

WHAT IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY?

World Mission Sunday is the Holy Father's annual appeal to support overseas mission and missionaries. It takes place in every single parish worldwide where the Church is present. Mission Sunday 2024 will be held on next Sunday, 20th October. Pope Francis has chosen the theme 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet' for this year's event. "Mission", he said, "is a tireless going out to all men and women, in order to invite them to encounter God." In Ireland, Missio Ireland – the Pope's official charity for overseas mission – is tasked with organising the Mission Sunday collection. To learn more, go to www.missio.ie

WHAT IS SYNODALITY?

Synodality, *syn hodos* ("the common way"), is designed to renew, revive and deepen not only relationships within the Church, but how the Church relates with other institutions and groups in society, with other cultures and religions, and with the whole human family.

Synodality is a response to the question of how to overcome the crisis of globalisation, how to transform our world into a world of peace and justice.

Synodality is a way of developing the catholicity – the universality – of Christianity. Catholicity, together with unity, holiness and apostolic character, is not only a "mark" and a gift of the Church but it is a task in its journey through history. This includes ecumenical and interreligious cooperation and also, as Pope Francis has emphasised, our care of the earth.

To embark on the path of synodal renewal requires openness, hospitality and inclusiveness — not a naive and uncritical conformity to the external world, but a receptivity to the dynamics of the Holy Spirit.

The synodal reform of the Church is a long term project; expectations of major institutional changes immediately after the second session of the Synod in October should be tempered.

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

For a shared mission: We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.