



The Grapevine

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Thought for the Week

Smile!

A smile is quite a funny thing
It wrinkles up your face,
And when it's gone, you'll never find
Its secret hiding place.
But far more wonderful it is
To see what smiles can do,
You smile at one, she smiles at you
And so one smile makes two.

It doesn't cost a penny
Or little effort too,
Perhaps you will never really know
Just who it reaches to,
For those while lives are lonely
As they walk the weary mile,
The greatest treasure you can give
Is a warm and friendly smile.

Fr. Lawrence Contact No. 089 9763834

Masses during the week

Rosary – 9.15:

The rosary will be broadcast on the radio at 9.15am each morning before the 9.30am mass. If you have a Special Intention that you would like to be prayed for, please come along and join us and the rosary will be offered for your intention.

Tue-Friday:

Mooncoin at 9.30am

Thurs 10am – 8pm:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Church

Notices

Ferrybank Library

What is Ferrybank's Heritage? Do you have any ideas or information about the history and heritage of Ferrybank?

As the first step in establishing a Ferrybank Heritage Festival we're looking for your input. This could include – Stories, Photographs, Local Landmarks, Industry, Local Traditions or anything else that you feel is important to the area. Forms available in the library or simply email your thoughts to ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie by 29th August.

Dogs Trust are back! On Tuesday 18th August at 3pm. Meet Deirdre and her dogs for a **FREE** workshop on caring for your pet – open to all ages, now's the time to get those questions answered!

Heritage Week – all events are **FREE** of charge, please call to register

Wed 26th 11am – 12pm: D -Day: the Allied Invasion of Normandy in World War Two' Talk by Paul McDonald

Thurs 27th 10am – 12pm: Introduction to Library Online Services of Historical Interest including the Irish Newspaper Archive and Roots.ie

Fri 28th 11am – 1pm: Military Genealogy: Tracing your WW1 Ancestors presented by Gordon Power. Bring along your memorabilia on the day if you wish

For further information on any of the above, please contact Ferrybank Library on 051 897200 or email ferrybank@kilkennylibrary.ie

Certificate in Theological Studies

Provide general theological education and formation in the main aspects of faith. Provide the theological background needed for lay involvement and leadership roles at parish & diocesan level. Course Sept – May Level 7. For application forms & further information please contact Declan Murphy M.A. Course Director, St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny. Email declanmurphy@ossory.ie or theology@ossory.ie. Tel 056 7753624 or 087 9081470. Download forms www.stkieranscollege.ie www.ossory.ie

Congratulations to all our Leaving Cert Students who received their results this week. Well done. Keep up the good work. Wish you every success and blessing in the future. Mass offered for all your intentions.

Fibromyalgia Coffee Morning

Fibromyalgia coffee morning every Tuesday morning at 11.30 am in Meubles café Kilkenny. (lift available on ground floor) it is situated in Kilkenny Retail park on the ring road, adjacent to woodies and the Aspect Hotel. Any enquires please contact Doris on 086 2346491 or Tommy on 0861080291.

Mooncoin Celtic Soccer Club

Mooncoin Celtic FC schoolboys scrap metal collection Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd August. All scrap metal can be dropped off at our grounds in Ashgrove at 3-9pm on the 21st and 9am-1pm on the 22nd August. No fridges or cookers acceptable. Large items can be collected by contacting Kevin Dobbyn on 087-6167700

Social & Health Education Project (SHEP)

A yearlong course in personal development starting in September 2015. This course is an open access course suitable for all ages and backgrounds. This course will take place in Waterford city on Thursday mornings (10am- 12.30pm) and on seven Saturdays/Sundays. Closing Date for applications Monday 7th September. Please contact Jim Sheehan on 021-4666180 or email for more information www.socialandhealth.com

Holy Hill Hermitage

Fancy living as a hermit for a while, come to Holy Hill Hermitage in Ox Mountains of Sligo for Free. Holy Hill to hold a Retreat for adults aged between 18 – 35. This year it is running from the 1st October until the 1st

December. For further details, please contact Michael Graham @ mickthegraham@yahoo.com. Also see <http://www.holyhill.ie/> and <https://www.facebook.com/holyhillhermitage>. Holy Hill Hermitage is a Catholic Diocesan Institute of Consecrated Life practicing Carmelite spirituality.

The National Dawn Walk for Cancer

The National Dawn Walk for Cancer is a new nationwide initiative which seeks to honour all of those who battle or who have battled cancer on a day to day basis, by means of a dawn challenge on Mount Leinster. This walk is taking place on Saturday 22nd August 2015 at 5.45am at Mt. Leinster, Co Carlow. Bishop Denis Nulty Kildare & Leighlin is leading this walk and would like people from all over the Diocese to join us. You may know people in your parish touched by cancer and they might like to organise a group. For more information email: info@nationaldawnwalkforcancer.com

Family Fun Day

Mooncoin G.A.A. is holding their annual Family Fun Day Sunday 31st August in the G.A.A. Complex Starting at 1pm.

South Kilkenny Historical Society - upcoming events

Friday, August 21st

Launch of Michael Holden's new book *The Freney Gang*, by Sean Keane

Time: 8pm

Venue: Mullinavat Parish Hall (opposite Mullinavat church)

Friday, August 28th Heritage Week Event Cricket Exhibition Time: 7pm Venue: Mullinavat GAA Grounds

Admission: Free. All welcome, for more information please contact. Eddie Synnott 086 8124349

Asthma Association Kilkenny

Asthma Association Kilkenny will hold their annual gate collection on 22nd & 23rd August. Your support would be greatly appreciated. Any more information on the Asthma Association please contact Martin Ford on 0863585918

Grapevine

Please have any notices for the Grapevine into the Parish Office by 12pm on Tuesday. Thank you. Some weeks we cannot fit all notices received for the Grapevine, however all notices will appear on our online Grapevine on www.mooncoinparish.ie.

Parish Office

The opening times for the parish office for the month of July are Monday to Friday 9.30am -1.30pm

Safety Note

Please do not leave any valuable items in your vehicle while unattended.

Vision Mooncoin - Volunteers Wanted

Volunteers are needed to help with events in the Parish Hall over the coming year. Even if you can spare 2 hours a month – that would be fantastic. Please contact Bernie in the Hall Office on 083 1660658 11-3 Monday to Friday. Thank you.

Saint Kieran's Graveyard Volunteers Wanted

Volunteers wanted for general clean-up on Saturday Mornings from 10am – 1pm. Contact Kevin Dunphy on 0877406354 or Liam Dunphy on 0868212019

Roadworks

With the ongoing roadworks we are urging all members of the community to support local businesses during this difficult time. Thank You.

Kilnaspic Mass

Bishop Seamus Freeman will celebrate mass in Kilnaspic on Saturday 29th of August at 6.30 pm. All Welcome Mass of thanksgiving to Nora Alyward celebrated by Bishop Seamus Freeman will take place in Kilnaspic

Church on Saturday 29 August @ 6.30 pm. All are welcome.

Clean up of church grounds on Tuesday 25th and cleaning of church on Thursday 27th in preparation, volunteers required. Anyone willing to help out on the evening with sandwiches, buns etc put let Jason 0860462945 or Catherine 0872831005 know.

Amalgamation of Both Schools – Boys & Girls

Discussions around this topic have been going on for some time. During the past few months a number of meetings have taken place between staff members, board of managements and parents/guardians of both schools. This part of the process was finalised last week when 71.5% of parents/guardians voted in favour of amalgamation. We are aware that 28.5% of parents/guardians were not in favour, however we will do everything within our power to ensure that the transition from singles sex schools to co-ed will be as smooth and professionally carried out as possible. Our aim is to provide the best possible education for the children today and going forward into the future. The next part of the process is to seek approval from the Patron Most Rev Bishop Seamus Freeman SAC and the Department of Education. We are also aggressively seeking a parcel of land adjacent to the schools in order to begin the process of having a State of the Art Co-Ed School on one site. We will keep you all updated as the process develops and look forward to your co-operation and support. Please keep all this in your prayers. “Unless the Lord build this project we labour in vain.”

Barnardos- Team leaders and collectors required. Barnardos Children’s charity is looking for volunteers to help collect funds during our national collection day. “Buckets for Barnardos” taking place on Friday September 18th. Volunteers can either help with an organised bag pack, or join us on the streets shaking buckets in locations throughout Ireland. All money raised on the day will help disadvantaged children and their families in communities around Ireland. Every hour of your time counts so please give what you can. To get involved please contact Gráinne on 1850 217 217 or email buckets@barnardos.ie

Cleaners / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers

Mooncoin

Cleaners: 22/29th Aug

Bridget McGrath, Pauline Tobin, Elsie McGrath, Ellen Fitzpatrick

Collectors: Aug

Michael Lannon, Therese Walsh

Sat 6.30pm

Seamus O’Brien, Patrick Power

Sun 11.15am

Eucharistic Ministers: Aug

Bridget McGrath, Kathleen Dunphy, Monica Hassett

Sat 6.30pm

Sarah Kinsella, Joan Thornton, Gaby Kelly

Sun 11.15am

Sat 22nd Aug

Ailish Connelly & Mary Ann Foley

Sun 23rd Aug

Rachel and Williams Doyle

Carrigeen

Collectors: Aug

John Bowe, Joe Dunphy, Frances Dunphy

Cleaners: 22nd Aug

Margaret Dunphy, Margaret Phelan

Eucharistic Ministers: 9th Aug

Dick Madden, Margaret Brennan

Readers: 23rd Aug

Ned and Eimear Phelan

Kilnaspic

Cleaners: 22nd/29th Aug

Margaret Rochford

Eucharistic Ministers: 22nd Aug

Cathlene Walsh

Readers: 22nd Aug

Padraigh Kirwin

Anniversaries

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Nuala Osbourne Dunphy- Carnew/Luffany
David Mulford, London and Malaysia
Margaret Fielding, Polerone
Mary Quigley, Ballytarsney, Mooncoin
Mary Walsh, Ballygorey upper
John & Josie Delahunty, Mullinavat

Months Mind

Sr Gertrude Gallagher