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First Sunday of Advent

29<sup>th</sup> November 2015

**Thought for the Week**

**TO ADD**

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We all need to be vigilant of the needs of the sick, elderly and those living alone. If you are in hospital at anytime and would like a visit from the priest please contact Fr. Peter – 0868265955.

**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.

**Mon:**

7pm in Mooncoin

**Tue - Fri:**

Mass in Mooncoin at 9.30am,

Mass Carrigeen Friday, 7.30pm

**Thurs 10am – 8pm:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in the Parish Church

Friday, first Friday sick and house bound will be visited Thur/Fri

**Notices**

**Support Group for Bereaved**

Tuesday, Dec 1<sup>st</sup> at 7.30pm a meeting will be held in the Parish Room to begin training for those who are interested to form a support group for those bereaved, sick, dying and house visitation. The meeting will be addressed by Pauric McMarrow from Kilkenny Bereavement Support.

**Ossory Sick & Retired Priests**

We wish to express their sincere thanks to all who contributed to last Sundays Collection which realised ..... Thank you. Please keep the sick & retired priests of the diocese in your prayers.

**National School BOM**

We thank the outgoing members, welcome the new board members, thank you for taking on this very important role. God's Blessing to each and every one. Please keep our schools in your prayers. **Contacted all schools for list of BOM's**

### **Save Kilkenny's County Boundary**

Public meeting in the Rhu Glenn on Monday night 30<sup>th</sup> November. Doors open at 7.00pm. The Department of the Environment, Community and Local Government have put in place a commission to review the Waterford / Kilkenny county boundary. This has not been initiated by our neighbours and friends in Waterford or by Waterford City and County Council. The Dept. has put this in place. However no reasonable person in any county would accept a change to their county boundary in order to create efficiencies or whatever other reasons are at the back of this. This can be done by ongoing co-operation among the Local Authorities and Municipal Areas working and pulling together. Your presence and views are needed. Don't leave this to others. Submissions are required and sample submissions will be available on the night as well as assistance in making a submission. All are welcome

### **Carrigeen Community Preschool**

We would like to thank everyone for their generosity in helping to make our Coffee morning such a great success. Thank you.

### **SVP Christmas Collection Dec 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>**

We appeal to you to be as generous as you can. Due to a big increase for help and a drop of income we are forced to get less in help. We wish to thank you most sincerely for your generous support over the past year. Without your help we could not continue our work. Christmas imposes an extra burden on us all particularly those in need. It was a very demanding year on us. Income for the year €7599.92, expenditure €14357.46. Outlay on food, fuel, furniture and education. As always your support will be greatly appreciated. Conference meeting Monday November 30<sup>th</sup> @ 7.30pm

### **Jubilee Year of Mercy**

8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2015 to 20<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016, contact Dublin 01 241 0800 or Cork 021 427 7959

### **Christmas Fayre - Little Sisters of the Poor**

Christmas Fayre at St. Joseph's Care Home, Ferrybank, Saturday 5th December from 2pm with Christmas Crafts, Cakes and Raffle with lots of prizes. All are most welcome! Please come along and support us.

### **Retrouvaille a Lifeline for Marriage:**

Is your marriage stressed, unloving or cold? Do you feel alone or distant from your spouse? Have you lost the desire to communicate with each other? Do you feel disillusioned or bored in your marriage? Have you separated, divorced, or are you thinking of doing so, but want to try again? The Retrouvaille programme can help you recover your marriage. Next programme 5th – 7th February 2016. For information contact Tony & Anne 01 4953536, Mike & Anne 01 4500922, text or call 086 4135440, or email [info@retrouvaille.ie](mailto:info@retrouvaille.ie) or visit [www.retrouvaille.ie](http://www.retrouvaille.ie)

### **Finance**

As we approach the end of the financial year, we thank all who contributed to the upkeep of the church and parish and remind those who have not – Please do so. Also to keep in mind that now all contributions of €250 and over – we can claim 31% tax back. Thank You.

### **Mooncoin Residential Care Centre**

Mooncoin Care Centre are presently recruiting Healthcare Assistants for full time positions. Candidates must have a Fetac Level 5 Healthcare Support Certificate. Please apply in writing to Caitriona O'Flynn, Mooncoin Residential Care Centre, Polerone Road, Mooncoin, Via Waterford or by email to [caitriona@mooncoinrcc.ie](mailto:caitriona@mooncoinrcc.ie).

### **Kilkenny County Council**

#### **KCC are holding a Household Recycling Service, relocated to Piltown on Saturdays**

Kilkenny County Council is pleased to announce the re-opening of the Household Recycling Service in South Kilkenny. The Recycling Service will be located at Piltown Community Hall, Piltown, Co. Kilkenny, commencing Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2015 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will run on a weekly basis.

The service is for households located in rural areas that are without access to a waste collection service. No commercial waste will be accepted. **Recyclables Accepted**

### **Silver Circle Results – Week 5**

€200 , €100 , €50 , €20 ,

### **Coffee morning and Craft & Cake Sale**

There will be a coffee morning with lots of Christmas crafts and home-made cakes on Thursday 10th December in Comerford's. Proceeds will be divided between Carrick-on-Suir River rescue and the local St. Vincent de Paul Society. Mooncoin Women's group are running it.

### **St Joseph's Young Priests Society**

The Monthly Mass will take place on Thursday, 3 December in Mooncoin Church at 9.30 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for intercession for vocations will follow immediately afterwards in Nagle Chapel.

### **Volunteers Required**

We currently require volunteers to join the following a) Prebaptismal Team, b) Children's Liturgy, c) Bereavement Support. Should you be interested please contact Fr. Peter or the Parish Office. Thank You.

### **Rosedale – Kilmacow**

Bungalow (Sheltered Accommodation) available for letting at Rosedale. Application form can be obtained from the manager at 051 885125.

### **Mooncoin Bingo**

Snowball €360 in 48 Numbers or Less!!! Come along and join in the fun. 8.30pm in The Parish Hall – All are welcome.

### **Ossory Income & Expenditure Statement**

Please note the Diocese of Ossory Income & Expenditure Statement will be displayed on the Notice Board at the entrance to each church for your viewing.

**Liturgy Meeting** will take place on Mon in The Parish Room at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

### **Mooncoin Christmas Fair**

*The Christmas Fair will take place in The Parish Hall on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 1.30pm. All the usual stalls and more!! We are appealing for your support through your donations of homemade cakes, buns, fruit, veg, shrubs, bottles for the bottle stall, toys, bric-a-brac etc. All contributions are gratefully received. If you have anything to donate please drop it into the Parish Office during the week or to the hall on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November from 7 – 9.30pm or Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 1pm. Please remember for all of us who use the parish hall, playground, GAA facilities, church and car park – this is our opportunity to make our contribution. Tickets are now on sale for €2 each or €5 for a book of 3. Prizes include a Tablet, Oil Voucher, Timber, Coal and many more. Also good news for the kids – one of Santa's helpers is going to visit us!! Please come along and support this worthy cause and join in the fun. All volunteers please contact Benny – 086 0313958.*

### **Mooncoin Prayer Group**

*Time & Venue Change – For the winter months the prayer group will meet on Wednesday mornings after 9.30am mass in Mooncoin Church.*

### **Thank You - Refugee/Migrant Appeal**

*To all those who donated shoes, clothes, food etc. To those who helped in sorting and packing the items collected, to the local shops and schools and to everyone involved. The response was wonderful and we are very grateful for all the help and support received. Mooncoin Parish Pastoral Council.*

### **St. Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund**

*Super Auction, Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at O'Loughlin Gaels Sports Complex, Hebron Road, Kilkenny. Original paintings, garden and household furniture, antiques, firewood, crockery, lamps, toys, etc. Viewing - 10am. Auction begins 11.30am, Catalogue €3. Enquiries re. advertisements in catalogue please contact 086 828 3478 (quarter page - €40; half page - €60; full page - €100)*

### **Saint Kieran's Graveyard Volunteers Wanted**

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

### **Vision Mooncoin**

New Office hours for Vision Mooncoin are Monday to Friday 9.30-1.00. Please contact Jackie on 083 1660658 for any bookings or enquiries. Thank You.

**St Kevin's Church Carrigeen** was first built around 1700- a thatched barn like structure. The PP then was Patrick Brophy. It was rebuilt in 1801 by general subscription - John Fitzpatrick was then PP. how much it changed is impossible to say but presumably it was on the same site but higher. The church was rebuilt almost from the foundations in 1893 when Fr Patrick Phelan was PP. Anyone who may have old photographs we would like to hear from you. Please leave some into the Parish Office with name and we will return them to you. Thank you.

### **Graveyards**

When removing old wreaths from graves can you please ensure to bring them home and not leave in the graveyard. Thank You.

### **November Offerings**

November Offerings are due at this time. Masses will be offered next week for all your intentions. Thanking you for your continued support and co-operation.

### **Celebrating Religious Life in our Diocese**

St. Kieran's College will host a display area where information on all institutes and orders of consecrated life in our diocese and their individual charisms will be displayed on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 12.00 – 5.00pm concluding with Mass of Thanksgiving which will take place in St. Mary's Cathedral at 5.30pm. Drop in to say hello to the religious serving in Ossory.

### **Pilgrimage to Rome**

Ossory Diocese Pilgrimage to Rome for the Special Year of Mercy August 29<sup>th</sup> – September 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016. For full details and booking contact: Ossory Adult Faith Development – 056 7753624 or Email: [afd@ossory.ie](mailto:afd@ossory.ie)

### **First Confession**

First Confession – Mooncoin 7<sup>th</sup> March, Carrigeen 8<sup>th</sup> March

### **Holy Communion/Confirmation Dates**

Holy Communion Mooncoin – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Holy Communion Carrigeen – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Confirmation – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2016

### **FERRYBANK**

**Christmas Craft Fair** - Make an early start on your Christmas shopping and avoid getting your tinsel in a tangle!! Stand out from the crowd with unique Christmas gifts for your loved ones at the Brothers of Charity Christmas Craft Fair in Ferrybank Library.

**DATE: Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December inclusive. TIME: 10:00am – 4:00pm each day.**

**Citizens Information Clinic** - Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December 10:00 – 1:00pm

Citizens Information provides information on public services and entitlements in Ireland.

It is provided by the Citizens Information Board.

If you have a query that you would like an answer to, please feel free to come along to Ferrybank Library on the day.

**Christmas Crafts for Children** - Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> December - 3:15-4:30pm

For ages 6 years plus. Cost €3 per session

Places limited – booking essential [first come, first served basis]

**Patchwork Quilting Exhibition** - 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015 during library opening hours. All are welcome to come along and view these magnificent, colourful works of art made by very talented local ladies.

*Some of these handmade, unique and one-off pieces can be bought during the exhibition.*

**MABS - Weekly Confidential Clinics** each Wednesday morning from 9:15am to 10:30am. This is a FREE, one-to-one service offering independent, confidential and non-judgmental advice to people who are having difficulties with managing their money or are in debt. To make an appointment phone 0761 07 2050 or drop in on the day.

**Mooncoin**

**Cleaners: 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** Ena Laffan, Catherine Doran, Therese Walsh, Alice Phelan

**Collectors: Dec**

**Sat 6.30pm** Joan Thornton, Therese Walsh

**Sun 11.15am** Paddy Power, Seamus O'Brien

**Eucharistic Ministers: Nov**

**Sat 6.30pm** Bridget McGrath, Kathleen Dunphy, Monica Hassett

**Sun 11.15am** Sarah Kinsella, Joan Thornton, Gaby Kelly

**Readers Sat 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** Jonathon Crowley

**Sun 6<sup>th</sup> Dec** Mary Grace

**Carrigeen**

**Collectors: Dec** Dick & Cecily Walsh, Ronan Walsh

**Cleaners: 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** Marion Walsh, Mary Murphy

**Eucharistic Ministers: 6<sup>th</sup> Dec** Mary Murphy, Eileen Dowling

**Readers: 6<sup>th</sup> Dec** Breda Walsh & Joe Sullivan

**Kilnaspic**

**Cleaners: 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** T. Heneberry & K. Scully

**Eucharistic Ministers: 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** Bernadette Walsh

**Readers: 5<sup>th</sup> Dec** Andrew Long

**Months Mind Mass**

*The months mind mass for*

**Welcome**

We welcome into our faith the following who were baptized recently:

**Anniversaries**

Tom Foskin, Riverquater

Bridget(Biddy) Stephen's Eastborn & Chapel St

Joe Carroll, Ballybrazil

Margaret, Richard & Catherine Healy, Dungooley

**Months Mind**