



ST AIDAN'S PARISH

Enniscorthy, Diocese of Ferns

NEWSLETTER

Fourth Sunday of Easter

7th May 2017



St. Aidan's Cathedral

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Next Saturday **13th May** pupils from St. Aidan's School will make their First Holy Communion. The ceremony takes place at 12 noon. We invite parishioners to remember the candidates in their prayers. We thank their parents/guardians and families, their teachers, principal and chaplain for helping them to prepare for this special day. The usual 10am morning mass will take place that day.

ST AIDAN'S CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION

Next **Friday 12th May**, there will be an hour of prayer in the Cathedral dedicated to the second class children of St Aidan's who will make their First Holy Communion the following day. It will begin at 10.30am after Mass and conclude at 11.30am. The hour of prayer will be led by Grandparents of the children who will make their Holy Communion. Please do come along and join us in praying for the children. Refreshments served afterwards.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING 26TH APRIL

Holy Communion under both species was introduced on the Fridays during lent. This was hugely welcomed by parishioners, so this will continue on the first Friday of every month. A parish table-quiz to raise funds for the current Famine in Africa will take place on **Thursday 25th May** in the Golf Club at 8pm. All funds will go to Trócaire. Please save the date. More details to follow.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

The 49th Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from **17th-22nd May**, led by Bishop Denis Brennan. Cost is from €699. Contact O'Leary Travel Enniscorthy - 053 9233178 for enquiries.

CHARITABLE DONATION SCHEME

A Gentle reminder to 'Friends of St. Aidan's' who received letters in connection with the above scheme for 2016. If you **are** eligible (i.e. if you are a tax payer), Please complete and sign the form. If you are not eligible, please phone the parish office 053-9235777 to have your name removed from the list. Sincere thanks to all who have signed the forms so far. Our parish benefits greatly from tax relief on your donations.

SLANEY OLYMPIC A.C.

Strawberry Half Marathon & 5 mile run/walk on **Sunday May 28th**. The half marathon starts at 10am and the 5 mile run/walk at 11am. **Entry at www.slaneyolympic.com**. Chip timing prizes in all categories. For more information contact Mag 087-6366905. Medals for finishers.

HOLY ROSARY FOR MAY

The Rosary will be recited at **7pm each evening** at the Grotto, Moran Park by members of the Legion of Mary. All are welcome.

PUBLIC ROSARY

On **Saturday 13th May** a Public Rosary will be recited in the Market Square at 3pm to mark the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions at Fatima. Rosary Beads and Prayer Cards will be distributed. All are welcome.

VENERABLE EDEL QUINN

The Anniversary Mass for Venerable Edel Quinn, Legion of Mary Envoy will be offered on **Friday May 12th**, at 10am. All active and Auxiliary member of the Legion of Mary are invited to attend.

PROCESSION

**IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY
100th Anniversary of Fatima
Saturday 13th May
Commencing at Wexford Friary**

Holy Mass 11am in the Friary followed by the Procession. Bring your family so that together we may give Jesus the joy of seeing His Mother honoured by all. **Tea afterwards in the Friary**

INTERNATIONAL FATIMA CONFERENCE

On **Friday 19th and Saturday 20th May**, a celebration of the Jubilee Centenary 1917-2017 for the International Fatima Conference and the Triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will take place in Galway, with the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady from Fatima and the 1st Class Relics of Saint John Paul II. Archbishop Eamon Martin will be the main celebrant and homilist at noon Mass on the 20th. Taking place in the Shearwater Hotel, Ballinasloe. Entry €50—Book on line or pay on Registration. To pre-register on line go to www.fatimaJP11.org or phone 091-846162. Shearwater Hotel 090 9630400.



LOUGH DERG 2017

The Season is open for One Day Retreats (from 1st May). Retreats continue on May 9, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28 & 29. Advance booking is essential. Tel. 071 9861518 (from NI 0035371 9861518) or email info@loughderg.org. The Three Day Pilgrimage season begins on Thursday 1st June, pre-booking not required. You are invited to walk in the spiritual footsteps of your ancestors and be part of the unbroken link of Lough Derg as a place of continuous prayer for over 50 generations (1,500 years).

VOCATIONS SUNDAY

This Sunday is a day of prayer for Vocations or Good Shepherd Sunday. **The annual collection for Vocations** will be taken up at all the Masses, through the envelopes (green), or any envelope marked "Vocations". We welcome **The Diocesan Director of Vocations Fr. Jim Finn to speak at all the Masses.**

St Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy



PARISH GOLF CLASSIC

Enniscorthy Golf Club

Friday 26th May

Teams welcome

Entry Fee: Teams of 4 €140. Prizes for G.U.I. / I.L.G.U. and non G.U.I. / I.L.G.U.

BOOKING: Parish Office on 053 92 35777
If you play and enjoy Golf, please consider entering a team with friends in the Cathedral Classic. Contact the Parish Office to book your time.

HOSPICE

COFFEE MORNING

A Coffee Morning in aid of Wexford Hospice Homecare will take place in Oylegate Community Centre on Saturday, May 13th from 10.30am to 1pm. Raffle and Homebaking sale. Please come along, bring your family and friends to support this worthy cause.



VISITATION OF THE SICK AND SERIOUSLY ILL

The Priests of the parish are happy to visit the sick and seriously ill of the area. If you have a loved one or family member who is sick, in hospital or housebound and you would like us to visit, please contact the Parish Office with details. Please do not assume that the Priest knows who is ill or in hospital at any time. They depend on family members to make them aware of their needs. It is the responsibility of the family to make the initial contact to arrange a visit. Thank you.

ENNISCORTHY LIBRARY

The Library will host a lecture on Wildlife Gardening on **Thursday, May 11th** at 7pm. No booking is required.

WHIST DRIVE

St. Anthony's Unit **Friday 12th May**, 8pm, Top Score €40. Adm. €5 including tea. All welcome.

CHURCH GATE COLLECTION

Mag Doyle is holding a Church gate collection on **13/14 May** in aid of the Haiti Orphanage Project and would appreciate your support.

IPT PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

On **June 16th** a Wexford based group of the IPT will travel to Lourdes. This is a week long pilgrimage with a difference. Staying in Hosanna House in the foothills of the Pyrenees it combines the Lourdes experience with local site seeing tours enjoyed in a small family group atmosphere. If you feel this might be an experience you would enjoy we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact Eamonn on 086-3228178 for details.

Contemplative Outreach Ireland—Welcomes you

Saturday 13th May: The Church of the Annunciation, Clonard Parish, Wexford. 2pm - 4.30pm. Contact: Sr Mary Rowsome 087243294. (This will be the last Saturday Gathering until the 9th September when we will resume on the **2nd Saturday of each month.**) 12th - 14th May Weekend Centering Prayer Retreat, Jesuit Spirituality Centre, Maresa, Dublin 3. 14th July: Friday. Centering Prayer Retreat day, Mount St Anne's Retreat Centre, Killenard, Co Laois. 18th - 25th July 8 Day Centering Prayer Retreat, Tobar Mhuire Retreat Centre, Crossgar, Co Down. For information on Centering Prayer Retreats: Phone Eileen: 087 6017709 or email contemplativeoutreachireland@gmail.com

DYSPRAXIA WEXFORD

Meeting on **17th May** from 10am to 12.30pm, in the Presentation Centre Enniscorthy offering help and guidance to families of children with dyspraxia, including form completion, information or just a chat. Please feel free to contact us prior to, or just arrive on the day. Veronica Kenny can be contacted on 0879745861.

Are you struggling with anxiety or depression? finding life difficult? feeling isolated? in need of support? **GROW is here to help you.** GROW is a community-based mental health organisation which holds weekly meetings in your local community. Meetings are confidential and no referral is necessary, simply come along. GROW promotes breaking social isolation and promoting social connectedness and is centred around the idea that 'I alone can do it, but I cannot do it alone'. Groups: **Monday @ 7.30pm**, The Presentation Centre, Nunnery Rd, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.

MAGNIFICAT BOOK: We wish to inform people who get this monthly book that there has been an increase in price €6 (as informed to us by the supplier).

DRIVERS—PLEASE DO NOT PARK IN THE CHURCH GATEWAY AT ANY TIME. EMERGENCY/DELIVERY ACCESS ALWAYS REQUIRED.

PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Mon to Fri 10am-1pm/2pm-6pm
(Saturday 10.30am to 5.30pm)



PARISH CLERGY

Fr. Odhrán Furlong, Adm.
Fr. Billy Swan C.C.

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WITH YOU OR TO A NEIGHBOUR/
RELATIVE

MASSES THIS WEEK: ANNIVERSARIES/ REMEMBRANCE/INTENTIONS FROM MONDAY 1ST MAY TO SUNDAY 7TH MAY

MONDAY	10am—	Patrick O'Connor Rem , Kathleen Carty RD
TUESDAY	10am—	The People's Intentions & Deceased Benefactors of the Cathedral, Ann Whitty RD
WED'DAY	10am—	Dermot Doran, Clare Leonard Both RD
THURSDAY	10am—	Mary Dempsey, Charlie Murphy Both RD 100th Birthday Intention
FRIDAY	10am—	Norma Platts Birthday Rem , Rose Brennan RD , Venerable Edel Quinn Anniv
SATURDAY VIGIL	10am 7pm	Rose Brennan, Margot Maguire Both RD Rose Brennan Months Mind , Bridie Quirke Months Mind , Josephine, William & Ger Winters, Noel Redmond, Liam Walsh, John O'Rourke, Mary & Mosey Breen All Anniv
SUNDAY	9.30am— 11am— 12.30pm—	Thomas O'Connor, Sean & Peg Walsh Anniv , Kathleen Carty (RD), Nellie O'Connor, Kathleen Breen, Thomas Byrne All Anniv Laurence & Mary Doyle, Elizabeth (Liz) Dempsey, Annette Maguire All Anniv , Jim Sinnott RD , Francis Ennis Rem

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PARISH OFFICE and SHOP

Open during office hours Mon-Fri
10am-1pm 2pm-6pm
ALL WELCOME

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday after 10am Mass until 6pm. Every Saturday after 10am Mass until 2pm. All welcome. **HOLY HOUR** Every Thursday 10.30am-11.30am on the main Altar, to pray for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life. **All are welcome.**

THE HOLY ROSARY

Each day after 10am Mass in the Prayer Room. All welcome

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WEEKLY ENVELOPE (White)

Minimum weekly running cost of parish is €2500:
30 April 2017 = €2283
Thank you for your contribution

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY

CARETAKING QUERIES TO
ANDREW THORPE, ASSISTANT
CARETAKER ON 085-7886693.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
LOCAL CONFIDENTIAL CONTACT
LINE 087 1413153.

WEBSITE OF THE WEEK

www.ferns.ie

CONFESSIONS: Friday & Saturday after 10am Mass and on Saturday at 6:30pm.
VISITATION OF THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND: We are anxious to visit those who cannot celebrate Mass with us due to illness, handicap or age. Arrangements to receive the sacraments at home can be made by calling the parish office. Kindly notify us of any parishioners who are housebound or hospitalised so they can be visited.
HOUSE VISITATION/HOUSE BLESSING: please contact the Parish Office 0539235777.

CATHEDRAL MASS TIMES

WEEKENDS: Vigil Saturday 7pm
Sunday — 9.30am, 11am, 12.30pm
WEEKDAYS: 10am daily
(including Bank Holidays)

MASS TIMES AT ST. JOHN'S

Tuesday & Friday: 11.30am St. John's Hospital Chapel.
Thursday: 2pm in the Oratory New Hosp.
Sunday: 11.15am in the Chapel.

NOTE: Booking Masses may **ONLY** be done by contacting Fr. P. Sinnott in St John's.

SUPPORTING THE PARISH

Envelopes: If you would like to register as a friend of St Aidan's, and support the weekly Envelope Collection, please call to the Parish Office for details or tele phone 053 92 35777. Thank You.

LIGHTING CANDLES

People are asked to only use the candles provided on the shrines as all other candles will be removed and to please use caution.

CONSERVE HEAT Please close doors entering/leaving Cathedral.