

"For to us a Child is born,  
To us a Son is given..."  
Isiah 9:6-7

SUNDAY, 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2025 - 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# TEMPLEORUM

## PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### WEEKEND MASSES IN THE PARISH

Piltown – Saturday @ 6pm

Owning & Templeorum –

Every alternate Sunday @ 10am

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS AT THIS TIME

people of the parish, those who  
have passed away in our community,  
our beloved family members & friends  
and all those who need our  
prayers at this time.



### ANNIVERSARIES

John, Johanna, Pat & Eileen Hanlon

Mikie & Ellen Pender

Caroline Butler & Garry Power

John Tobin, Main Street

Seamus, Brigid & Paul Tully,  
Rathmore Road, Fiddown

Mary & Noel Walsh, Fiddown

### OWNING & TEMPLEORUM - SUNDAY 10AM MASS ROSTER

28<sup>th</sup> December – Templeorum

4<sup>th</sup> January – Owing

11<sup>th</sup> January – Templeorum

18<sup>th</sup> January – Owing

### WEEKLY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Owning on Tuesdays from 2-3pm

Piltown on Thursdays at 10:30am

### CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

#### WEDNESDAY, DEC. 24<sup>TH</sup> – CHRISTMAS EVE

Piltown Church at 6pm

*Christmas Eve Vigil Mass.*

Templeorum Church at 8pm

*Christmas Eve Mass.*

#### THURSDAY, DEC. 25<sup>TH</sup> – CHRISTMAS DAY

Owning Church at 10am

*Christmas Day Mass*

Piltown Church

*No Christmas Day Mass*

### A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Fr. Moore would like to wish all parishioners a very happy & peaceful Christmas and prosperous New Year.

Thanks to all who have supported him and helped out in any way throughout the year. Your support is very encouraging and displays a wonderful community spirit that we should all be proud of and celebrate during this wonderful Christmas season.



### CHRISTMAS MASS BOUQUETS

Christmas Mass Bouquet cards are available in both the Sacristies and the Parish Office.

### PILTOWN GAA CLUB

Sunday, December 28<sup>th</sup> for the Goal Mile: 11am to walk, jog or run a mile for GOAL MILE. Everyone is welcome! GAA Complex. To sign up go to <https://goalmile.org/locations>.

### ANNUAL KILKENNY CHURCHES CHRISTMAS CRIB WALK 2025

To mark the *Jubilee Year of Hope 2025*, the Annual Kilkenny Church Christmas Crib walk will take place on St. Stephen's Day. The walk begins at the Friary Church at 11am and everyone is welcome to take part. This cherished tradition is now in its twenty-second year, and it continues to bring families, friends, and parish groups together in a spirit of faith, reflection, and goodwill. Fr. Willie Purcell will lead the walk and will offer moments of prayer and reflection along the way. We look forward to gathering as a Diocesan family on St. Stephen's Day. May this year's walk deepen our sense of community and strengthen our shared hope for peace during this blessed season. All are welcome.

### KEEP PILTOWN TIDY

20 members came together on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> in Anthonys for a Christmas get together! The chat revolved on all the many achievements the group completed in the last year and plans were discussed on some projects to be done in the new year. The Ink bottle bug hotel is in the final stages of reconstruction and should be back on site very shortly. Members were delighted with the positive impact the Wednesday evening get togethers for litter picking and weeding along with grass cutting. The local CE scheme personnel were thanked for their contribution to making the village an attractive place. Plans are already in place to increase Piltown's marking in the Tidy Town competition in 2026! Happy Christmas to one and all and we wish you a safe and healthy 2026!

### SOUTH KILKENNY BEEKEEPER'S ASSOCIATION

A beekeeping course for beginners will commence on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> in Kildalton College. For more details contact: Damien on [skbkaeducation@hotmail.com](mailto:skbkaeducation@hotmail.com)

## THE GIVING TREE - TEMPLEORUM

Caps, scarves, gloves, etc can be placed in the box at the back of Templeorum Church and these gifts will be given to the homeless in Waterford.

## KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL - CREATIVE IRELAND GRANT SCHEME 2026

Applications open on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Artists, creators and community groups should apply for the Creative Ireland Grant Scheme 2026. This initiative is designed to spark imagination, support cultural projects and celebrate creativity across Kilkenny. Submissions closing date is 13/02/2026 at 4pm. For queries and an application form, contact the Community and Culture Section, Kilkenny Co Council at [creativeireland@kilkennycoco.ie](mailto:creativeireland@kilkennycoco.ie)

## PILTOWN MEN'S SHED

Ten members of the shed met in Dove hill on Wednesday; 10<sup>th</sup> of December for a Christmas get together which included a lovely meal. All were in good form and chatted about activities held in the past year. The game of skittles introduced in September has turned out to be extremely popular amongst members. At a recent meeting it was decided to purchase some additional tools for wood turning. The shed has two wood turning lathes now so there is lots of opportunities for beginners and advanced woodturning classes. A kerosene heater will be purchased in the run up to Christmas. It was decided to hold a quiz night on February 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2026 to raise funds and be a social night for members and the public to get together, more details to follow. Piltown Men's shed would like to acknowledge the Iverk show members for use of their workshop, office, and kitchen during 2025. Wishing everyone a safe Christmas and good health in 2026.



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**JOE'S TAKEAWAY**

Monday - Thursday 4 pm - 10 pm  
Friday 1 pm - 12 am  
Saturday - Sunday 4 pm - 12 am

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**Parish Bereavement Group**  
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**Piltown Conference of St. Vincent De Paul**  
Mobile: 086-2096341

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1800 341900

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1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444

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## ETB COURSES STARTING IN JANUARY 2026

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## CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

The next meeting of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy Prayer group will be in the New Year. We take this opportunity to wish all our participants a very joyful and peaceful Christmas Season.

## SPIRIT RADIO

For those who might wish to listen to some positive and uplifting radio during the Christmas Season, Spirit Radio might be the answer. It reaches 540,000 adults each week and is celebrating its fifth birthday this year. Well worth a listen!