

SUNDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER, 2024



TEMPLEORUM PARISH NEWSLETTER

ITEMS FOR INCLUSION IN THE PARISH NEWSLETTER

Items for the Newsletter should be submitted by e-mail to piltownparishnews@gmail.com prior to 7pm on Wednesday of each week to ensure inclusion in the Parish Newsletter the following Sunday

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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

Jimmy Butler

*Dick Corcoran and his
granddaughter Jacqueline,
Templeorum*

SOLAS CANCER SUPPORT CENTRE

Run and walk for life takes place on Saturday, 12th October in Dungarvan at 10am and Sunday, 13th October in Waterford at 10am. 4K Family Walk and 10K Walk/Run. For further details call 051-304604 or visit the Solas website.

OUTDOOR RECREATION IN KILKENNY

Do you enjoy walking, Kayaking, swimming or simply spending time outdoors? We would love to hear your thoughts on outdoor recreation in County Kilkenny.

Public Consultation Events:

Windgap Community Centre.
Wednesday, Sept. 25th at 7pm.

COFFEE MORNING

St. Canices Credit Union, Piltown will host a Coffee Morning in aid of Waterford Hospice on Thursday 26th & Friday 27th September, 2024. All are Welcome.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Ministers of the Word or Readers as they are more commonly referred as, are an important and essential part of our ceremonies. They exemplify the inclusivity of our congregation in the celebration of the Mass. It is important to add new faces to the wonderful, experienced readers we currently have and particularly to add youth to the role to reinforce the future inclusivity of our Church.

This is a callout for new readers across all our Churches, but there is a particular shortage of readers for the Saturday evening 6pm Mass in Piltown, which attracts the largest congregation. It is an ideal of opportunity for parishioners to contribute in a meaningful way to the ceremonies. It would especially suit those wonderful young people who have made their Confirmation and have ambitions to pursue careers which involve presenting to peer groups, maybe as teachers or people managers. Please put your name forward or encourage young people you know to get involved by contacting any of those listed below. Support can be provided for those starting off.

PILTOWN

*Seamus Norris (087-9230283) or
Brendan O'Brien (087-9709459)*

OWNING

*Margaet Farrell (087-6430791) or
Phyllis Purcell (087-6722991)*

TEMPLEORUM

Kay Kelly (087-2863831)

What does a Minister of the Word do...

- The reader proclaims the assigned reading for the day, so that all the congregation might hear God's word.
- The reader acts as an instrument for God's message and they are called to communicate this message to others.
- The reader is comfortable with communicating with others – they are called to tell the Good News to those who are gathered.
- The reader reads from the Old Testament and the New Testament, the Psalm and the Gospel Acclamation.

KILDALTON COLLEGE

Online applications for the Distance Education Green Cert Course is now open. <https://www.teagasc.ie/education/going-to-college/apply-online/agriculture-courses/level-6-distanceeducation-green-cert/> Applicants for this course must hold a Level 6 or higher major award in a non-agricultural discipline. This course will start on 30th October, 2024. For more information call 051-644400 or email rosanne.dobbyn@teagasc.ie

ADULT GUITAR/UKULELE LESSONS

Take place in Piltown National School on Monday evenings. Beginners Guitar: 6pm to 6.45pm
Beginners Ukulele: 7pm- 7.45pm
Classes are led by an experienced qualified tutor. To book contact Colin on 087-2699405

HOME REPAIR & MAINTENANCE

A Home Repair and Maintenance Part Time Course, 1 morning per week. Starting in September for 14 weeks. Venue: ETB Carrick-on-Suir. For more details contact 052-6176755 or visit courses@tipperaryetb.ie

KILKENNY AGE FRIENDLY

Kilkenny Age Friendly, the Older Persons Council will host a presentation on Wednesday, 25th September in the Community Centre Mullinavat from 10am to 12am.

The Health Promotion Officer from Ferrybank, Brianna Connaughton will deal with all aspects of health. A representative from Kilkenny Recreation and Sports Partnership will also attend. All are welcome, come for the chat and a cup of tea.

PILTOWN SQUASH CLUB

Try out the game considered the no.1 in the world for overall health by the World Health Organisation. Two fully heated courts. Playing equipment available to try out a great indoor sport. For further information message or call Robert Blackmore on 087-2768986.

LOUGH DERG TRIP 2024

Report on the 3 Day Pilgrimage 28th June to July 1st, 2024.

St. Patricks Purgatory, Lough Derg or Station Island is a pilgrimage site which dates to the fifth century. Since then, uninterrupted for over 1,500 years, it has been a place of Christian pilgrimage and prayer. St. Davog, one of Patricks disciples, was the island founder abbot.

Twenty-nine people were collected between Waterford, Mooncoin, Piltown and Carrick on Suir on Friday morning, June 28th. Five parishioners from the Templeorum Parish were part of the group. Some had done the pilgrimage before, and it would be a new experience for others.

We stopped in Moate, Co. Westmeath to break the journey and arrived in Donegal town around 7pm to stay in the Central hotel.

We enjoyed our dinner that night in the hotel knowing that we would be fasting from mid-night Friday to mid-night the following Monday.

At 9.30am on Saturday, June 29th, we crossed over by ferry to Lough Derg. The total group on the ferry was sixty-eight, a sign of the times, in previous times, numbers of 1,000 coming to the island for the pilgrimage would be common.

We were welcomed to the island by Prior, Fr. La Flynn. We then made

our way to the dormitories where we removed all footwear and brought outdoor clothing, beads and medication to lockers located in Davog house which is located beside the basilica.

Our group then had to complete three stations of the cross before 9pm, on the penitential beds. There are six such beds located beside the basilica. St. Bridget's, St. Brendan's, St. Catherines, St. Columba's, St. Patricks, and the bed of St. Davog and Molaise. The beds contain rough stones, the base of Monk's cells. Nine stations are completed over the three days. Some stations are made inside the basilica. St. Mary's Chapel on the island allowed us to adore the blessed sacrament and say private prayers at various times over the 3 days.

We could partake in one meal per day while on the island. The meal consisted of dry toast and black tea or coffee. Some of our group did not partake of any food over the 3 days.

The Vigil involves each pilgrim staying completely and continuously awake for 24 hours. During this time, stations of the cross, mass, rosary, benediction, and private contemplation takes place. We could sleep after the Vigil at 10pm on Sunday, 30th June until 6am on Monday, July 1st. (The third day). We had mass, followed by stations of the cross in the basilica and we left the island at 9.45am. The weather was particularly good over the 3 days, and we took the opportunity, whenever possible, to sit in the sun.

Fr. La Flynn wished us well and gave us his blessing as we departed on our way home. We called into Moate on the way home and had the "Lough Derg" meal there and arrived back home at 10pm.

The 3 days was an experience for us who were newcomers to the island. The seasoned pilgrims are drawn back to the island every year. It is said that if you look back at the island while on the ferry home, you will return. Our group made some new friends over the 3 days and the whole experience was memorable.

PILTOWN MEN'S SHED

Iverk Show Grounds.

Make new friends, Health and wellbeing events. Supporting new projects in the area. Learn and share

skills such as wood turning, repairing and restoring, increase your sense of purpose.

What are the values of the Men's shed? To Promote and stabilise the mental, physical, emotional and economic well-being of people in our community.

For more details contact Brian Blackmore on 087- 2723325.

The 1st meeting of the men's shed took place on Monday, September 16th in the Iverk show grounds office. 9 people attended and some ideas were exchanged about possible activities that could take place when up and running, The Piltown Men's Shed is now affiliated to the Irish Men's Shed Association. Officers elected on the evening: Chairman: Brian Blackmore

Secretary: John Connolly and Treasurer: Philip Cuddihy.

It was decided to invite Michael Cass to the next meeting on Tuesday evening next, 24th September at 7pm, again in the show field. Michael is very much involved in the Dungarvan Men's Shed for many years and has a lot of experience in the Dungarvan shed and many more.



USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

Parish Bereavement Group

Mobile: 086-8450641

Piltown Conference of

St. Vincent De Paul

Mobile: 086-2096341

Women's Aid Helpline

1800 341900

Pieta

1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444

The Samaritans

Freephone: 116 123

Aware

Freephone: 1800 80 48 48

Available Monday to Sunday 10am - 10pm