

SUNDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2024



# 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

### MONTH'S MIND

*Eileen Bowe, Corloughan*

### ANNIVERSARIES

*Micharl Burchill, Kildalton Close  
William & Mary Coffey, Turkstown  
Bill Costello, Tybroughney  
Mick, Catherine & Pat Dunne  
John, Pat & Eileen Hanlon  
William & Hannah Kearns  
Caroline & Gary Power  
Patrick & Hannah Power  
Eily Walsh, Fiddown*

### **OWNING & TEMPLEORUM – SUNDAY 10AM MASS ROSTER**

8<sup>th</sup> December – Owning

15<sup>th</sup> December – Templeorum

22<sup>nd</sup> December – Owning

29<sup>th</sup> December – Templeorum

### **FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

The Feast of The Immaculate Conception Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> December is normally celebrated on the day but this year it is being celebrated on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> at 10am Mass in Piltown.

### **ADVANCE NOTICE**

Christmas is a time of special music. What a better way to celebrate the birthday of Jesus than to join together and raise our voices in the special songs of Christmas that we know and love so well. We invite you to join us for our journey to Bethlehem in our Christmas Carol Service in Piltown Church at 7:30pm on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Those wishing to join in the choir "on-stage" on that evening please call 051-643112 for more information.

### **LITURGICAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

A Liturgical Committee Meeting will take place in Piltown Community Centre on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 7:45pm.

If anyone would like to get involved in this committee in 2025, and help bring new life and ideas to our ceremonies, please contact Seamus Norris on 087-9230283

Another callout also to anyone who would like to become a Minister of the Word (Reader) in any of our churches please contact Seamus also.

### **PILTOWN MEN'S SHED**

The Piltown Men's Shed Coffee morning on Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup> was a huge success! The members want to thank everyone who came along on the morning to enjoy a chat, coffee and see demonstrations on the art of woodturning. There was a lot of lovely food donated by parishioners in the morning. Donations amounting to €975 was collected during the morning. The money will be used over the next few months to help buy some equipment which is needed to progress and develop the club further. Kilkenny County Council and Leader have also come on board recently with some funding. New members are welcome, Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am to 1pm.

### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

#### **CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

Thanks to all who supported the Annual Christmas Appeal for St. Vincent De Paul last weekend in Piltown and Templeorum. The collection takes place this weekend in Owning.

Many of you regularly support our work, for which we are very grateful. Without this help, we simply would not be able to support those struggling in our Parish. This Christmas please reach out in support of our Christmas Appeal for the Piltown Conference of SVP.

*If any parishioners are in need of additional support this*

*Christmas, please do not hesitate to contact the conference helpline on 086-2096341.*



### **CHRISTMAS CRAFTS WORKSHOP**

with Crafts and Carols.

**Date:** December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Time:** 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

**Where:** Piltown Community Centre.

**Cost:** €15 per day.

**Contact:**

Chloe on (086) 3638660 or

Naomi on (086) 3783224



### **CHRISTMAS CAROL SINGING**

Open call for singers/bucket shakers! Carol Singing in aid of Humanitarian Aid in Gaza on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 at Market Cross, Kilkenny from 1-2pm and 3-4pm.

**Practices:**

Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> and

Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 8pm.

**Venue:** Owinging hall.

Come along to the practices or just on the day! Contact: Roisin on 085-1813814 for further information.



### **DIAL A PRAYER**

A community of contemplative nuns, Sister of Mary Morning Star who came to live in Waterford in January 2019 have decided to set up a new prayer initiative called "Dial a Prayer". The sisters want to bring the intentions, thoughts and prayers of people to the Lord in their adoration and daily Mass. The sisters are available on (085) 7611822 between 2pm and 3pm daily.



### **KILKENNY'S BIODIVERSITY**

#### **ACTION PLAN 2025-2030**

Public Consultation Open. A draft biodiversity action plan is now on public consultation. It has been prepared after community engagement during the summer. The public are invited to review the draft plan and submit their comments.

The draft biodiversity action plan is available to view on: <http://consult.kilkenny.ie/> or a paper copy can be requested via [biodiversity@kilkennycoco.ie](mailto:biodiversity@kilkennycoco.ie) or by ringing 056-7794920.



### **ADVENT**

This weekend marks the second Sunday of Advent in 2024 (Dec 8<sup>th</sup>). The theme of Advent's second Sunday is the peace that Christ brought to mankind with His birth and incarnation.

This candle reminds us that the angels declared "peace on earth" at the birth of Jesus. Jesus offers us inner peace and peace with others. We can know and experience peace today only through the life of Jesus Christ.

- "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." (*Luke 2:14*)
- "The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel' (which means 'God with us')." (*Matthew 1:23*)

### **Prayer for PEACE**

Lord, in a season when every heart should be happy and light, many of us are struggling with the heaviness of life - burdens that steal the joy right out of our stockings. Tragedy arrives as innocent victims suffer, and an inner voice whispers, "Be afraid!" We need your peace, Jesus. We confess that our hearts are too often filled with wonder of a different kind: wondering when the bills will be paid, when the terror will stop, when rest will come. In a world where worry, not peace, prevails, stir up that good news again. This Advent, make it real in our hearts. Never have we needed Your joy and peace more than now. Thank You for the gift of Jesus, our Immanuel. We not only need Your peace and joy; Lord, we crave it. You've promised rest for the weary,

victory for the battle-scarred, peace for the anxious, and acceptance for the broken hearted - not just at Advent, but every day of every year. Your name is still called "Wonderful," "Counsellor," "The Mighty God," "The Everlasting Father," and "The Prince of Peace." We know that peace on earth can only come when hearts find peace with You. You are still our Joy. You are still our Peace and we still celebrate You as Lord - this Christmas and always. Amen.



### **MOONCOIN PARISH HALL**

#### **Monday 9th December:**

10am - Women's Group

8pm - Bingo

#### **Tuesday:**

9.30am - Rehearsals

8pm - Drama

#### **Wednesday:**

9.30am - School Play

6pm - Day Care Centre

Christmas Dinner

#### **Thursday:**

9.30am - CE Training Course

6pm - School Function

#### **Saturday:**

2pm - Birthday Party



### **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