

SUNDAY, 5TH JANUARY, 2025



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

ANNIVERSARIES

Tommy Cuddihy

Patrick Farrell

Jay Foley

Kitty Miller

Noreen Power

Billy Scully, Belline

Kitty Coffey

Mary & Pat Doran and their

Granddaughter Catherine Mc Call

Johanna & Hannah Hogan, Fiddown

Mattie & Mona Talbot

Edward & Peg Walsh

and Seàn Walsh, Ardclone



MASS FOR THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY ON JANUARY 6TH

will take place in the Church of the Assumption, Piltown at 11am

OWNING & TEMPLEORUM – SUNDAY 10AM MASS ROSTER

5th January – Owning

12th January – Templeorum

19th January – Owning

26th January – Templeorum

2nd February – Owning

9th February – Templeorum



THANK YOU!

A very Happy New Year to all who have contributed to the ceremonies during the past year. Thanks especially to our sacristans in each of the Churches, Philomena Cuddihy, Margaret Farrell and Margaret Lower. Thanks to the Eucharistic Ministers and Readers, to our choirs and organists and anyone who contributed to the music ministry; to the offertory collectors; to those who clean and look after our churches to those who look after our parking arrangements during the ceremonies. Thank you also to the Parish Liturgical Committee, Finance Committee, Bereavement Committee, Media Committee and all who help in any way to make our Parish the wonderful Parish it is. Finally, a huge thank you to our Parish Priest, Fr. Moore, who leads and administers our spiritual needs with great dedication.



FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD – 6TH JANUARY

The Feast of the Epiphany is celebrated on January 6th. This feast commemorates the visit of the wise men to worship the baby Jesus.

Tradition tells us that their names were Caspar, Melchior and Balthassar. The men were astrologers who were looking for the star that would lead them to the promised Messiah. This was prophesied in the Book of Micah. According to the Gospel narratives, the wise men brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh with them. These gifts were very meaningful. Gold was a precious and expensive gift, and showed how important Jesus was. Frankincense is a sweet perfume which was often burned in the temple to worship God. It was a sign that Jesus should be worshipped. Myrrh was used to keep things fresh, and it was used by the women to anoint Jesus' body when he died. By bringing it as a gift to Jesus, the wise men foretold his suffering and death. The Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ is one of the oldest Christian feasts, though, throughout the centuries, it has celebrated a variety of things. *Epiphany* comes from a Greek verb meaning "to reveal," and all of the various events celebrated by the Feast of the Epiphany are revelations of Christ to man. In celebration of the feast of the Epiphany in Ireland, January 6th is marked by Nollaig na mBan or Women's Little Christmas.

Prayer:

Three wonders mark this day we celebrate: today the star led the Magi to the manger; today water was changed into wine at the marriage feast; today Christ desired to be baptised by John in the river Jordan to bring us salvation, alleluia.



KEEP PILTOWN TIDY

2025 will see the Keep Piltown Tidy members carry on their important work in keeping the village looking tidy and well maintained during the year like as in 2024. A submission will be made, again this year, to the national tidy towns competition and members hope to improve on marks gained in 2024.

The primary school in Piltown is one of the areas where members will devote some time to this year. Plans have been already discussed with the school Principal with regards to the existing polytunnel and sensory garden on the school grounds. It is planned to extend the height of the ceiling in the tunnel and to reinvigorate the sensory garden with some new ideas. It is also envisaged to devote a small area of ground at the back of the school to vegetable growing. The young pupils will be involved in sowing seeds/plants and harvesting crops such as potatoes; table turnips; carrots; cabbage and parsnips. This will be a valuable learning experience for young minds. Progress on this venture as it progresses will be posted here.

New members are always welcome to come along and get involved with Keep Piltown Tidy. The group have their own Facebook page. For more details contact: (087) 2191808

PILTOWN GAA CLUB

The club is starting an initiative to become a 'healthy club'. As part of this, there will be a walking group starting on Wednesday the 8th of January at 7pm.

This will run every week for 5/6 weeks. The route will be starting at the complex, go down the tower road as far as Anthonys and back to the complex-About 4km. and is for all abilities. Participation would be greatly appreciated and we look forward

to seeing you all with your high viz vests and headlights.

To win prizes for our club, as a club we will be taking part in the Irish Life steps challenge. This includes all walkers downloading the Irish Life app. join our club group and track their walks for the 6 weeks individually. The goal for the club is to collectively cover 4,000 kms before February 12th, 2025.

Also, our final 'All Star' draw for current ticket holders will take place on Jan 15th. This draw is for the holiday voucher and lotto winnings.

SCHOOL ENROLMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

The three Primary schools in our parish are now open for enrolments for September 2025. Details are as follows:

Piltown N.S.

Enrolment applications are online via the school website and the link is: <https://www.piltownns.ie/admission-s-notice/>. A copy of our admissions policy and admissions notice are also available via this link.

Closing date for receipt of applications is 01/Feb/2025.

For further queries please contact the school office on 051-643498 or send an e-mail to: enrolment@piltownns.ie

Owning N.S.

Enrolments are open for the St. John of God National School, Owning in respect of admissions to the 2025/2026 school year.

A copy of our admission notice is available at <https://owningns.ie/> Forms can be obtained from the school office or by e-mailing enrolment@owningns.ie

Templeorum N.S.

Now taking enrolments for September 2025. Please e-mail the school for enrolment forms templeorum@gmail.com



PILTOWN SENIOR CAMOGIE CLUB CELEBRATION NIGHT!

Date: February 1st, 2025

Venue: Langton's hotel, Kilkenny.

Cost: €45 pp

Time: Starting at 7:30pm

Contact any member of the club for further information.

KILKENNY COUNTY COUNCIL Choice based letting announcement.

If you are not actively participating in Choice Based Letting (CBL), you might be missing out on opportunities for social housing.

Most new and vacant social housing properties are now listed on CBL, with updates every Tuesday morning.

Make sure to log in every Tuesday to check out the latest available properties, cbl.kilkennycoco.ie



USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

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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