

SUNDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2026 – 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

# 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

*Edward Malone, late of Owning House Retirement Village & Garryduff  
Carmel Phelan, Templeorum*

### ANNIVERSARIES

*Paddy Connolly  
Bridie Fitzpatrick, Templeorum  
John Moore  
Anthony & Madeleine O'Brien,  
Whitechurch  
Kay O'Brien, Kildalton  
Ann Phelan, The Avenue*

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

15<sup>th</sup> March – Owning Church  
22<sup>nd</sup> March – Templeorum Church

### WEEKLY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Owning on Tuesdays from 2-3pm  
Piltown on Thursdays at 10:30am

### LENTEN STATIONS

Lenten Stations are now due. Your support is very much appreciated.

### CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

The group continue to meet on Wednesday nights at 7:30pm in the Piltown Community Centre.

All are Welcome.

### PARISH QUIZ NIGHT

Thanks to all who turned out to support the Quiz night in aid of Parish funds. A huge thank you to Pilot Conway for giving of his time to arrange the quiz, the quiz master Ger Duggan and to all those who helped on the night. A total of €771 was raised and has been donated to Parish funds.

### TROCAIRE BOXES

Trocaire Boxes are available at back of the Churches. Please take one and return for service on Good Friday.

This year's Lenten campaign is for Rwanda. Rwanda is known as the land of a thousand hills. In the west, steep mountains and volcanoes give way to rolling hills across the landscape. The tropical highland climate provides fertile conditions for growing a multitude of crops, fruits, and vegetables. But it also created the conditions for disaster-flooding and sudden landslides that can devastate communities in an instant. The climate emergency is one of the biggest challenges and greatest injustices of our time. Women, men, and children in poor countries who have done the least to cause this crisis are suffering the most. They are living through worsening droughts, storms, and disasters. Trocaire helps these communities when disaster strikes, but we also campaign for deeper change to protect them. Your support could help families build a better future in the face of devastating storms and floods caused by worsening climate change across Rwanda.

### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

The third Sunday in Lent is a time of deep reflection, repentance and preparation for Easter. It is a day when believers are called to examine their hearts, seek forgiveness and embrace the renewal of their spirit as they journey towards the joy of Easter. This Sunday is not only a time for confession and penance but also for hope, as it serves as a reminder of God's boundless mercy and the promise of redemption.

### FIRST CONFESSIONS

First Confessions of Piltown N.S. First Communicants will take place on Wednesday next, March 11<sup>th</sup> in Piltown N.S. at 11am.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2026

The remaining dates of the preparation masses, all of which will take place in Piltown Church at 6pm on the Saturdays in question are as follows:

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION;** April 18<sup>th</sup>  
**CONFIRMATION;** March 14<sup>th</sup>

All pupils who are to receive the above Sacraments must attend these masses.

### DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

The James Dermody Memorial Bluebell Walk will take place on Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 2pm in Mountain Grove, Piltown, Co. Kilkenny. This year's walk will mark James 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### IVERK SHOW

The next Iverk show meeting takes place on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:30pm in the Community Centre, Piltown. Plans are well under way for the 200<sup>th</sup> show on August 22<sup>nd</sup>! Come to the meeting and be part of the celebrations!

## CAUSEWAY BOWLING CLUB

What's another year? "There is a tide in the affairs of men, which when taken, lead on to fortune!" And that's how it happened!

Another bi-annual trip to The Castlecourt Hotel, Westport by Causeway Club in early February, brought old and new friendships, together to battle for supremacy in indoor bowling. Over 130 competitors from the 32 counties participated. Northern Ireland always has a very strong contingent and loves the holiday atmosphere provided by the Plaza.

The scene was familiar as Carmel, Tournament organiser, coordinated over 130 members into the green and red teams to battle it out for supremacy. The organizing committee had the ballroom set out with six mats, each one slightly different in texture. The atmosphere was warm and the decor suited the event to perfection. Members explored the various mats to hone their skills prior to competing properly. For numbers 1 and 2 it was relatively easy but for number 3 and the skip, patience and cunning skill and tactics decide the outcome to locate that elusive "jack".

Causeway, has since its inception, been participants, and true to tradition has been in all finals. It's a tribute to the club and devoted contestants that this is so. The competitors are skilled exponents of the game. Causeway, for a small club has had many achievements through the years and brought home the trophies, inspiring others to travel and engage with the All-Ireland Bowling competition. Over the past year new members have joined and we are reaching out to prospective members with an annual membership fee of €100. Do bring along a friend. Piltown is well represented by achievers who have won various tournaments in Westport. No mean achievement!



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

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**Piltown Conference of St. Vincent De Paul**  
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**Women's Aid Helpline**  
1800 341900

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1800 247 247 or text HELP to 51444

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## KILKENNY Co. COUNCIL AMENITY GRANT SCHEME 2026

A scheme to assist voluntary bodies in the improvement or maintenance of outdoor amenity facilities and is now accepting applications under this scheme for 2026. Preference will be given to those projects which are considered to offer the most benefit to the community. Application form from: [www.kilkennycoco.ie](http://www.kilkennycoco.ie) or (056) 7794441. Closing date is March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 5pm.

## COIS NORE CHOIR

Mooncoin Parish presents the 'Cois Nore Choir & Guests' in the Church of the Assumption, Mooncoin on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 8pm. Your kind donations on the night will be in aid of the Mooncoin Cancer Support Group. All are Welcome!

## NATIONAL SPRING CLEAN

National Spring Clean Month is April. To keep Kilkenny clean! Register now on:

[www.nationalspringclean.org/register-now](http://www.nationalspringclean.org/register-now). For more information email [environment@kilkennycoco.ie](mailto:environment@kilkennycoco.ie) 272 tons of litter was collected by volunteers in 2025!

## TIPPERARY ETB

Open morning in the ETB, Greenside, Carrick-on-Suir on Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am to 12:30pm. Come and see the many full-time and part-time courses available on your doorstep.