



Kilmacow Parish

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Weekend Masses:
Kilmacow: Sunday 11.15 a.m.

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15th March 2026

Fourth Sunday Of Lent - Laetare

Mass Times

Kilmacow

Monday, Vigil Mass 6.30 p.m.
Tuesday, St. Patrick's Day 9.30 a.m.
Thursday, Sacrament of Confirmation 11.00 a.m.
Friday 9.30 a.m.
Sunday 11.15a.m.

Mooncoin

Wednesday – Friday 9.30 a.m.

Anniversaries

11.15 a.m. Kitty Roche, Skeard
John Roche
Kathleen Roche
Philip O'Toole
Eileen Haberlin
Terry Walsh
Rene Walsh (Sr. Xavier)

Monday Peter McCarthy

Tuesday Jim Murphy

Safe Guarding Witnesses

Sun 22nd Betty Walsh

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sun 22nd Michael Drohan, Breda Walsh,
Pat Doyle

Readers

Sun 22nd Frank Lahiffe, Joe O'Mahony

Feast Days For The Week

Tuesday St. Patrick, Patron Of Ireland

Wednesday St. Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop

Thursday St. Joseph, spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday St. Enda, abbot

Parish Dates 2026

Confirmation Thursday, 19th March 2026 11 a.m.

First Holy Communion Saturday, 16th May, 11 a.m.

Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes 25th-30th May

Cemetery Mass Friday, 26th June, 7.30 p.m.

Baptisms:

Baptisms will be celebrated in Kilmacow on the 4th Sunday of each month at 12 noon and bookings can be made through Kilmacow Parish Office.

If a Funeral is taking place on that Sunday, Baptisms will move to 1 p.m.

Funerals:

All arrangements for Funerals to be made with Fr. Tobin. In the event of a Funeral, there will be no 9.30 a.m. Mass. Further information is available on the Parish Website www.kilmacowparish.com

Mother's Day Prayer

Loving God, You have loved us with an everlasting love, You have loved us even more as a mother loved her child. Today, we give you thanks and praise for the gift of mothers. We pray for the mothers-to-be, who are just beginning to be the bearers of new life in them, may they welcome their forthcoming child with loving anticipation and joy. We pray for the young mothers, may they cherish their child with tender care and unconditional love. We pray for the mothers who are separated from their children especially because of war, poverty, conflict, violence and for any other reasons. Comfort them, strengthen their hope, and let them feel your loving embrace that wipes every tear away. We also remember those mothers who are no longer with us. While they live forever in our hearts and memory grant them eternal rest and reward of their labours. Amen.

Happy Mothers Day To All

Trócaire

Trócaire Boxes/Envelopes are still available from the back of the Church. Please take one home. Your donations will assist with Trócaire's work throughout the world in health care, education, social development and faith promotion.

Easter Retreat, Glencomeragh

Easter Retreat will take place on the 28th March in Glencomeragh Holy Family Mission, led by Fr. Patrick Cahill. Refreshments on arrival followed by talk by Fr. Pat, Q & A, Candle Service and finishing at 3 p.m. with Holy Mass. €30 for including 3 course meal. Contact Pat 0852680396/Mary 0852697779

Kilmacow Safeguarding Information

In the event of concerns about the safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults engaged in church activities contact the Designated Liaison Person,
Mr. Fintan Fanning 085 8021633
Ms. Rose Brophy 087 3314330
Mr. Cathal Cullen 056 7762448
email: dlp@ossory.ie TUSLA 059/9115570
www.ossory.ie/safeguarding
Parish Safeguarding Representatives:
Bernadette Moloney, Anthony Young

Lenten Offerings

Lenten Offerings for the support of our priests are due around now. Thank you for your continued support.

Pope's Monthly Intention - March

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

St. Patrick

For exiles and immigrants especially, there's real resonance with the life and message of Patrick, the boy who was first an unwilling captive from his family and homeland and the man who was latter a willing exile for the sake of the Gospel he loved. Patrick's writings reveal a man of passion and humility keenly aware of what he was missing in leaving his home and his family. As he grew older, he reflected on how much he would have loved to have returned to them but was worried that if he did so much of the good he had achieved would unravel. Patrick probably died on one of his many journeys around Ireland, sacrificing the comfort and joy of being among family in the land of his birth, during his final hours. But from his own words, home and family were never far from his heart. As we think of and pray for family members and friends abroad, we should also remember those who now live among us in exile from their own countries.

St. Patrick's Breastplate

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,
Christ in me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me,
Christ in every ear that hears me.

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Sacrament of Confirmation for our parish candidates is this Thursday, 19th March. We thank our Primary Schools, especially their class teachers for preparing the boys and girls for the Sacrament. We encourage the parents and families of these candidates to honour the commitment they made on their baptism day "to bring them up in the practice of the faith".

Parish Pastoral Council & Area Meetings

Pastoral Council and Pastoral Area meetings were held during the week.

Direct Debit Donations

These can be made using our Bank details:
Kilmacow Parochial Current Account
IBAN: IE40 AIBK 93427585444014
BIC: AIBK IE2D

Collection

Offertory €285 February Envelopes €1,665

Parish Collections

The Parish recently benefited from the Charitable Tax Refund Scheme, totalling €16,455.79 for 2025. Please remember if your combined contribution to the church and priest amounts to a minimum of €250 in one year, it enables the parish to claim the tax paid at the agreed rate of 31% for both Self-employed and PAYE Taxpayers. Thank you most sincerely.

Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes - May 25th - May 30th

Early booking is advisable as space is limited. All bookings should be made through Joe Walsh Tours by www.joewalshstours.ie/pilgrimages/group-diocesan-pilgrimages/or calling 01-2410800. Pilgrims who would like to travel with the Special Assisted Section accommodated at the Accueil, should apply to Anna Colleton at a.colleton@cbskilkenney.ie

Totus Tuus 2026 Annual Fatima Pilgrimage

Pilgrimage to Fatima, 28th August- 4th September costs €915 - includes, flights, half board accommodation, airport transfers, day trip to Balasar, trip to Valinhos and Adjustrel, trip to the Irish Dominican Sisters' Convent. Places available to fly from Cork & Dublin Airports Contact Damien 087 2049048

Trip To Medjugorje 3rd - 10th June 2026

Full religious programme operated by Marian Pilgrimages with direct flight from Dublin with 7 nights accommodation with breakfast and dinner. Contact Pat 085 2680396/Mary 085 2697779

Community Disco - Easter Saturday, The Seanti,

Join us help to raise much needed funds for our local and Marian Hall! Spinning the discs on the night will be WLR FM's "The Spin Home" presenter DJ John Keane at The Seanti, Smartscastle on Easter Saturday at 8 p.m. Entry is €5 on the door and includes entry to a draw for some tasty spot prizes!!!

Mass Bookings

Bookings for Anniversary Masses, Baptisms, Weddings etc. can be made through the Parish Office or at kilmacow@ossory.ie

Parish Office - Closed Tuesday, St. Patrick's Day

Signed Sympathy Cards, Mass and Easter Bouquets are available from the Parish Office.

The Parish Office opens at the following times -

- Tuesday 9.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m.
- Friday 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Mass bookings, items for inclusion in the Parish Newsletter etc. can be emailed to Aoife at kilmacow@ossory.ie, Parish phone 087 4796533 or dropped into the post box at the Parish Office before 12 noon on Friday.