



# Kilmacow Parish

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**Weekend Masses:**  
**Kilmacow:** Sunday 11.15 a.m.

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**24<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

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***Pentecost Sunday***

## **Mass Times**

### **Kilmacow**

Monday 6.30 p.m.  
Tuesday 9.30 a.m.  
Thursday Eucharistic Service  
Friday 9.30 a.m.  
Sunday 11.15a.m.

### **Mooncoin**

Wednesday – Friday 9.30 a.m.

## **Anniversaries**

**11.15 a.m.** James & Eleanor Aylward  
John & Stasia Aylward  
Jimmy Kearns

## **Safe Guarding Witness**

**Sun 31<sup>st</sup>** Michael Drohan

## **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**Sun 31<sup>st</sup>** Josephine Rockett, Valerie O’Callaghan,  
Michelle Mullally, Marian Aylward

## **Readers**

**Sun 31<sup>st</sup>** Rory Williams

## **Feast Days This Week**

**Monday** The Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Wednesday** St. Augustine of Canterbury, bishop  
**Friday** St. Paul VI, pope

## **Parish Dates 2026**

**Cemetery Mass** Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30 p.m.

## **Pentecost Sunday**

This is the day when, true to his promise, Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the Apostles. The coming of the Spirit changed the Apostles and saw the launching of a new community (the Church). This day renews the gift of the Spirit in each of us and in the Church as a whole.

## **Baptisms:**

Baptisms will be celebrated in Kilmacow on the 4<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.kilmacowparish.com)

## **Pentecost - The Coming of the Spirit**

This weekend’s celebration of Pentecost is a beautiful feast. Scripture tells us that over two thousand years ago the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles, accompanied by miraculous signs of mighty winds and tongues of fire. The descent of the Spirit is the final act of our salvation which God had promised. From Old Testament times there was an expectation that God would send his Spirit to his people. So, the coming of the Holy Spirit reminds us that God fulfils his promises, even if it takes time!! The sound of the wind and the flame that accompanies the Spirit represent the creative breath of God and fire was also associated with the purifying presence of God. The wind and the fire tell us that God is about to do something ‘new’ or even that God is creating something new. The experience of the Spirit this weekend changes what is old and stale within us to something new. Why does God send the Holy Spirit to us? God sent the Holy Spirit to his followers because the early Church needed God’s Spirit. The first disciples were in hiding after their experience of the crucifixion of Jesus. They were terrified that what had happened to Jesus would happen to them. Only the power of the Holy Spirit would get them over their fear. In answer to their prayer, God sent the Holy Spirit, to embolden them to go out and preach the story of Jesus and to remind the people of the love of God. Pentecost reminds us that God will fulfil his promises, even if it takes time. His presence this weekend is powerful and re-creates the old into something new as he responds to our needs today. So, let us all pray, Veni Sancte Spiritus, Come Holy Spirit.

### **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](mailto:dlp@ossory.ie) TUSLA 059/9115570  
[www.ossory.ie/safeguarding](http://www.ossory.ie/safeguarding)  
**Parish Safeguarding Representatives:**  
**Bernadette Moloney, Anthony Young**

### **Pope's Monthly Intention - May**

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

### **May Rosary Procession Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May, 3 p.m.**

Leaving Ballybricken Green at 3p.m. and proceeding to the Dominican Church (Home of the Mother) Bridge St. for the Crowning of Our Lady. All are welcome walk with us (especially children who received their First Holy Communion this year).

### **Lourdes Collection**

The Ossory Pilgrimage to Lourdes envelope collection is due around now. Thank you for your generosity.

### **Diocesan Mass for Leaving & Junior Cert. Students**

Bishop Ger will celebrate Mass for Leaving and Junior Cert. students, their parents/guardians, grandparents, teachers, school staff and families, on Monday, 1st June in St Canice's Church, Kilkenny, at 7.30 p.m. The Mass is organised by the Diocesan Youth Ministry Team who extend an invitation to priests, religious and people, to come and pray with and for all who are preparing for their state exams. Those unable to be present can join in prayer on the webcam [www.stcanicesparish.ie](http://www.stcanicesparish.ie)

### **Totus Tuus 2026 Annual Fatima Pilgrimage**

Pilgrimage to Fatima, 28<sup>th</sup> August- 4<sup>th</sup> September costs €915. Places available to fly from Cork & Dublin Airports Contact Damien 087 2049048

### **Chair Yoga - Marian Hall**

Chair Yoga with Lisa, starting Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> for a 4 week block. Classes are in the Marian Hall, Strangsmills from 10 - 11 a.m. each Friday. Contact Lisa on 0876558716 to book.

### **Rosedale Day Centre – Choir Performance**

Rosedale Day Centre will host a special musical morning this Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> May at 10 a.m. to 12 noon, featuring a fabulous visiting choir from Clonmel, Co. Tipperary. The Choir is made up of participants from two Tipperary ETB adult and community education programmes — the Living the Life Programme and Surviving Cancer & Singing Therapy. The performance runs from 10am to 12pm, and everyone from the surrounding areas is warmly invited. This is a free event, open to all, and a lovely opportunity to enjoy uplifting music in a friendly community setting.

### **Direct Debit Donations**

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

### **Collection**

Offertory €355

### **Mass Bookings**

Bookings for Anniversary Masses, Baptisms, Weddings etc. can be made with Aoife at the Parish Office or at [kilmacow@ossory.ie](mailto:kilmacow@ossory.ie)

### **New Parish Envelopes 2026/2027**

The new envelope year commences shortly. If you haven't received envelopes before and would like to contribute or would like to change your method of payment from weekly to yearly or a Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office or email [kilmacow@ossory.ie](mailto:kilmacow@ossory.ie) Contributions of €250 or more qualify for the Charitable Donation Tax Relief Scheme where 31% of the contribution is returned to the Parish. This brought in €16,455.79 in 2025 for which we are very grateful. Sincere thanks to all those who contribute to the Collections for the upkeep of our Church and its Priests.

### **Camogie & LGFA Fundraising Car Wash**

Hosting a fundraising car wash in the Complex on 1<sup>st</sup> June from 10 – 4 p.m. Cost is €15 per car, including complimentary tea/coffee and a treat. Your support would be greatly appreciated to help fund club activities throughout the year.

### **LGFA Gaelic Football Nursery Sessions**

Every Friday from 5.15 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the astro. New members are always welcome.

### **U14/U16 & U18 Training**

Every Thursday evening, Top Pitch, from 7.35 p.m to 8.20 p.m. New members are very welcome.

### **G4M&O (Ladies 25+)**

If you are over 25 and looking to add some physical activity to your week, why not try G4M&O? It is a non-competitive, social Gaelic football initiative where you can learn new skills, have fun, and stay active. There will be opportunities over the coming months to participate in festivals of football and local blitzes. Training takes place Friday evenings 7.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m. in the Complex.

### **Parish Office**

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

The Parish Office opens at the following times -

- Tuesday 9.30 a.m. to 2 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](mailto:kilmacow@ossory.ie), Parish phone 087 4796533 or dropped into the post box at the Parish Office before 12 noon on Friday.