



Kilmacow Parish

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2nd August 2026

Eighteenth Sunday Ordinary Time

Mass Times

Kilmacow

Monday, Bank Holiday	No Mass
Tuesday	9.30 a.m.
Thursday	Eucharistic Service
Friday	9.30 a.m.
Sunday	11.15 a.m.

Mooncoin

Wednesday – Friday 9.30 a.m.

Anniversaries

11.15 a.m. Kathleen Foskin
 Robert Ryan
 John, Mary & Richard Roche

Safe Guarding Witness

Sun 9th Joan Butler

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Sun 9th Nicola O'Brien Walsh, Harry Knox,
 Samantha Murphy

Readers

Sun 9th Mary Sullivan, Elizabeth Blanche

Feast Days This Week

Tuesday	St. John Vianney, priest
Wednesday	St. Mary Major
Thursday	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Friday	St. Sixtus II, pope & Companions St. Cajetan, priest
Saturday	St. Dominic, priest

Pope's Monthly Intention – August

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Date For The Diary 2026

Kilmacow Parish Remembrance Mass
Sunday, 15th November at 11.15 a.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

New Bishop-Elect

Congratulations to the new Bishop-Elect of our Diocese, Bishop Ger Nash. We pray that the Lord will grant him every grace, strength and blessing in this important ministry. Bishop Nash will be installed as our Bishop on Sunday, 13th September at 3 p.m. in St. Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny. (See Bishop Nash's Statement on his appointment overleaf).

Youth 2000 Summer Festival, 13th – 16th August

Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. Visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland.

The Painted Gospel- Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi

The Adult Faith Development Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi, Italy will take place in March 2027, led by Fr Dermot Ryan and Fr Kieran O'Shea. Contact Kieran Troy of Myriam Tours 0579355050/
info@myriam.ie /WhatsApp 085179 2364

Invitation To National Learning Network (NLN)

Kilkenny Open Evening

The education and training division of Rehab Group, is hosting a National Open Evening and you are warmly invited to visit National Learning Network, Kilkenny located at 1st Floor Regent House, William Street on Thursday, 27th August from 5 - 7 p.m. RSVP in advance by visiting www.nln.ie or 056 7797500

Parish Office

Please note the Parish Office is closed this week. Mass bookings can be made by emailing kilmacow@ossory.ie

Statement of Bishop-Elect Ger Nash

‘I am deeply honoured to have been asked by Pope Leo to become Bishop of Ossory in addition to my existing pastoral role in the Diocese of Ferns. From the earliest days of my appointment as Apostolic Administrator we began a consultation to explore the possibilities for what brings most hope for the future of the church, in both Dioceses. This appointment today is simply the continuation of a journey as the two Dioceses will work together to create a community where our relationship with God will deepen and provide fertile soil for the preaching of the Gospel. This is an opportunity for us to do great things together. This amalgamation of Dioceses has begun in the West of Ireland and will continue in the rest of our country as opportunity allows. The challenge of being one Bishop for two Dioceses is a mirror of the experience of many priests in modern Ireland as they take on responsibility for more than one parish. The re-imagining of roles and the re-organisation of familiar tasks is true whether it is for a parish or a Diocese and the ultimate test for all change within the Church is whether it builds up the Kingdom of God. One aspect of all the changes at Parish and Diocesan level within the Irish Church at the moment is the opportunity it offers for real roles of responsibility and authority to be offered to lay people to build up the local Christian Community. In both Ferns and Ossory, there is a history of developing and training lay people over many years but it has achieved new focus and energy with the recruitment and training of Lay Pastoral Workers in both Dioceses. It was a great benefit for us here in Ossory that Bishop Niall had already begun the process of discernment and recruitment for those who will begin their studies in Maynooth in September. One of the possible collaborations between both Dioceses will be in the area of vocations to priesthood and religious life. Both Dioceses are working hard at this very important task and already some very good prospects for the Diocesan priesthood are emerging. There are certainly green shoots visible. Our Dioceses will not survive without the Sacraments and to be sustainable we will need to provide our own priests who will work collaboratively with a wide range of trained lay ministers to bring the Gospel to young and old, the sick and the well and to welcome those who are searching for answers. In Ireland, we have always seen a strong link between our Faith and our History. To nourish faith then in both Dioceses, it will be important to nurture our original faith roots, which began with St Aidan and St Kieran, was continued by St Canice and St Senan, and which today is most visible in the affection and energy that people hold for their own local church, cemetery, holy well or pilgrimage. I am convinced that it is by nurturing the local, that we will build communities of faith. I am deeply grateful to the people in the parishes of the Diocese of Ossory for their welcome over the past few months but in particular I want to thank the priests and the Diocesan Staff for their collaboration and their welcome at a personal level. I also thank the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Montemayor who has been generous with his time and his wisdom in my discussions with him. There is a scripture quotation which always gives me hope in times of challenge and uncertainty. It is from the prophet Jeremiah when he hears the Lord saying “My plans for you are peace and not disaster” I have reserved for you a future full of hope” I pray that here in Ossory and Ferns we will turn our faces towards the future set aside for us by God and that we will journey forward together in faith. Thank you for listening and please remember me in your prayers.’ Ag Lorg na Suáilcí “Dóchas, creideamh agus grá Bíodh go brách ’na stiúir do mo chroí, agus cuir leosan foighid, a Dhé, – Ba chabhair thréan don triúr í.” Go raibh na suáilcí sin Dóchas, Creideamh, Grá chomh maith le foighne os mo chomhair inniu agus i gconaí agus mé ag tógáil an chéim seo, in ainm Dé!

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

Direct Debit Donations

These can be made using our Bank details:

Kilmacow Parochial Current Account

IBAN: IE40 AIBK 93427585444014

BIC: AIBK IE2D

Collection

Offertory €280 July Envelopes €1,535

Standing Orders 2nd Quarter €1,381.50

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Mass Bookings

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

Getting Married

The State requires that it receives at least three months notice prior to the date of the wedding taking place. The Priest of the Parishes of the Bride and Groom also require three months notice and will not begin paperwork before State approval is received. If you are getting married outside of the Parish where you are living, you will need to complete a “Pre-Nuptial Enquiry Form” with your local Priest and you will need a Baptismal Certificate dated not more than 6 months prior to presentation. A Confirmation Certificate is also required and a Letter of Freedom from any Parish in which you lived for six months or more. All couples should complete a recognised pre-marriage course. This can be arranged by contacting Accord at 056 7722674. Waterford Registrar of Marriage, 16 Virginia Crescent, Waterford. 051 842800 (Cork Road – opposite Morris’s Hardware) (Notice may be given to any Registrar in State). Please contact Aoife in Kilmacow Parish Office for any guidance required.

Prayer For Our Earth

All powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

Pour out upon us the power of your love,
that we may protect life and beauty.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty,
not pollution and destruction.

Amen.

(Laudato Si’, 246)