

### PASTORAL AREA CLERGY

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# St. Senan's Parish Newsletter

**Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

### Safeguarding Representatives

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### THANK YOU

**Priest Envelopes €580**

*(First Collection)*

**Parish Envelopes €465**

*(Second Collection)*

### PARISH WEBSITE

#### Integrated webcam and payment facility

St. Senan's Church has a live webcam streaming 24 hours a day. The Camera is focused on the Sanctuary and front seats of the old part of the church. Compliant with all GDPR requirements.

<https://stsenansenniscorthy.ie>

### MASS

### INTENTIONS

#### Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> September

##### ***Vigil***

Hugh Byrne (Rem) & deceased family

##### ***11am***

PJ Merriman (Months Mind)  
Mary Merriman (A)  
Fr. Maurice Tobin (Rec Dec)

#### Weekday Mass – 7pm

##### ***Monday***

John Byrne (Birth Rem)

##### ***Friday***

Hughie Connors (A)

#### Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September

##### ***Vigil***

Matty Connolly (Birth Rem)  
Kathleen, Larry, John & Jim Connolly (A)

Michael (Mick) O'Neill (A)  
Matthew McDonald (A)  
Patrick Kehoe, deceased family members, relatives & friends

##### ***11am***

Thomas & Alicia Harpur (A)  
Frank Harpur (Rem)

### Recently Deceased

*We commend to the fullness of eternal life....*

Jim Connors, Rosslare

### SPLIT THE POT

**Congratulations to Patricia Hyland - €171 last week's winner.** €2 weekly, the winner gets half the money raised. Envelopes available in the church, enclose your money, write your name and number, and place it in the box marked 'Split the Pot'. Thank you for your weekly support. Thank you to our local Centra where envelopes are also now available.

### Join the Journey:

#### **RCIA Programme in the Diocese of Ferns**

Are you curious about the Catholic faith? Interested in exploring what it means to be Catholic? Our Diocese hopes to offer the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for those aged 18 and older who wish to learn more about the Catholic Church and discern joining our community of faith. Come to Our Initial Gathering! Wed 24<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at 7.30 pm in the Pastoral Centre, St. Peter's College, Summerhill, Wexford. Whether you're seeking to return to your faith, explore Catholicism, or prepare for sacraments, we welcome you. Contact: Sean O'Leary at [pdw@ferns.ie](mailto:pdw@ferns.ie) to RSVP or learn more. Take the first step, join us and explore the beauty of the Catholic faith!

### READERS

#### **Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Vigil:** Joan Fogarty

**11am:** Jimmy Gahan

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

#### **Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Vigil:** Dick Walsh

**11am:** James Harpur

### Castlegardens

#### **Eucharistic Minister**

#### **Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September**

Marian Dowling

### **Legion of Mary Annual Pilgrimage to Knock**

Sunday 28th September a bus will leave from Clonard, Wexford at 6.30am. Oylegate Bus Stop - 6.45am Enniscorthy Promenade - 6.55am Ferns Church - 7.10am, Camolin Bus Stop - 7.15am, Gorey Monument - 7.25am, Arklow - 7.40am. Return to Wexford pprox 9.30pm  
Cost, Adult €35 Child €20 Ring Eileen 087 9331809 or Mark 087 6846908.

## Ministers of the Word

The late Pope Francis declared 2025 a **Year of Jubilee centred on the theme Pilgrims of Hope.**

As part of the diocesan calendar for the Jubilee celebrations on Saturday, November 8th, the diocese of Ferns will come together in St Aidan's Church in Ferns village to celebrate the WORD of GOD

Our hope is that this will not be just an occasion of celebration but an opportunity for all pastoral areas and parishes to raise awareness of the riches of the Scriptures and how they can nourish our lives..

A key part of our celebration will be a talk and discussion with Dr Jessie Rogers Chair of Scripture in Maynooth University.

This is a good opportunity for readers in all parishes to gain extra insight into the Word of God and value your important ministry. Hopefully many of you will be able to attend.

**DATE: Saturday November 8th 2pm - 5pm**

**VENUE: St Aidan's Church Ferns village**

### BLOOD DONATION CLINIC

RIVERSIDE PARK HOTEL,

Sunday, 14th September 2025

12.00pm - 15.30pm

Monday 15th, Tuesday 16th

& Wednesday 17th September '25

15.45pm - 20.00pm

Check your eligibility & book your

appointment at [giveblood.ie](http://giveblood.ie)

or call us on 1800 222 111

## Calling Young People to Serve!

We will soon be introducing Altar Servers, here in St. Senan's Parish. Training will start over the coming weeks and we will contact those who have already returned completed application forms.

We invite young people from 3rd Class and up to consider becoming an Altar Server at our weekend

**Masses: Saturday - 7:00pm and Sunday - 11:00am**

This is a wonderful opportunity to take an active role in the parish, learn more about the Mass, and serve God and the community. If you are interested, we would be delighted to hear from you and your parents (there will be some involvement for parents). Please let us know if you'd like to sign up!

Safeguarding will be a top priority, and all necessary measures will be in place to ensure a safe and welcoming environment for everyone. For more information or to express interest, please contact the parish office or collect a form after Mass. We look forward to welcoming new servers to this important ministry!

## THE HOOK OF FAITH

The Church rejoices because she has two new saints – St Carlo Acutis and St Pier Giorgio Frassati. We have videos about both their lives and find out more about them. The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is celebrated this Sunday which brings us back to our participation in the mystery of suffering. We include some inspiring quotes from the saints who help us grow in faith despite the experience of the cross. An article from Word on Fire spells out the problem with liquid identity and we continue the series with 'The Desert Fathers in a Year' with episode 30 that listens to their insights on foresight and providence. We have an article for the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows and a new series called 'Digging Deeper' that explores the meaning, richness and importance of Sunday Mass. Finally, a video explores the significance of having an Augustinian pope and how much St Augustine has shaped Pope Leo XIV. Check out these and other resources available at [www.thehookoffaith.com](http://www.thehookoffaith.com)

## FREE Full Time Adult Education Courses

Want to make a fresh start? Are you over 21 and in receipt of Social Welfare Payment? Whether it's to upskill, retrain or find a new career path, at VTOS you can return to learning in a relaxed, friendly environment. Apply now for FREE QQI Accredited L4 Office Skills course starting this Autumn at VTOS

Enniscorthy contact Aislinn Brennan 053 9237224 or email [enniscorthyvtos@wwetb.ie](mailto:enniscorthyvtos@wwetb.ie)

To celebrate the Jubilee of Volunteers

Bishop Ger Nash

Requests the pleasure of the company of

Community Volunteers

to a Mass of Thanksgiving in the

Church of the Immaculate Conception,

Rowe Street

Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> September 2025 at 12noon



## ALONE – Sign up today and start your volunteering journey with ALONE

**Visitation Support and Befriending** is a supported one-to-one relationship between a volunteer and an older person who has been linked with ALONE.

**Telephone Support & Befriending Volunteer** is a free friendly, support and information telephone service to older people.

**National Support & Referral Line Volunteer as an NSRL**, you will provide a listening ear, information, and support for older people in a warm, friendly, and professional manner. To apply for our opportunities, please visit [alone.ie/volunteer](http://alone.ie/volunteer). ALONE the organisation that supports older people to age at home.