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# St. Senan's Parish Newsletter

**Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025**

#### **Safeguarding Representatives**

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#### **THANK YOU**

**Priest Envelopes €705**

*(First Collection)*

**Parish Envelopes €515**

*(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, 17<sup>th</sup> August**

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

Valerie Dunne (First Anniversary)

Tony Moorehouse (A)

James Cowman (A)

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

Jerry Connors (Rem)

##### **Weekday Masses – 7pm**

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

Theresa Lambert (A)

Martin & Bride Lambert (Rem)

Lilian Lambert (Rem)

Get Well Intention

##### ***Wednesday***

Special Intention

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

The Holy Souls

**Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> August**

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

Martin & Mary Anne

Dunne (A) & deceased family

Thomas Kenny (A)

Aaron Mythen (A)

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

Mary Freeman (A)

##### **Recently Deceased**

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

James 'Slim' Mythen, Salville

#### **SPLIT THE POT**

**Congratulations to Cathal Kehoe - €176 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.

Thanks to our local Centra where envelopes are also now available.

#### **Enniscorthy Pastoral Area Pilgrimage Our Lady's Island**

Monday afternoon 25<sup>th</sup> August for our Pastoral Area Pilgrimage starting with Rosary at 2pm around the Island and Mass at 3pm in the Church. A Bus is leaving at 1pm sharp from the Presentation Centre. Please book your seat in advance by contacting St. Aidan's Parish Office 053 9235777 - Fare €10 each payable in advance. Coffee shop and Gift Shop will be open. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend, and we look forward to seeing you there.

#### **THE HOOK OF FAITH**

As Wexford recovers and rejoices after a very successful Fleadh Cheoil 2025, we feature an inspiring talk by Sir James MacMillan on how Christianity shaped Western music. A homily for the Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time reflects on Jesus' passionate desire for a better world – a passion he wants us to burn with too. We have an article on how the science of evolution affirms the Creator God and offer more wisdom from the Desert Fathers on sympathy and compassion. On the feast of St Bernard of Clairvaux, an article reflects on his understanding of love. We feature Archbishop John Kennedy's homily to Irish youth in Rome and Archbishop Dermot Farrell's words that call out racism. Finally, we have a video of Dr Haywood Robinson's talk at the recent Rally for Life in Dublin. He is a former abortionist who gives us a glimpse of what is really involved and the truth hidden from vulnerable people coping with unexpected pregnancies. Check out these are other resources available at [www.thehookoffaith.com](http://www.thehookoffaith.com)

## Day of Prayer and Reflection for Gaza on Sunday, 24 August 2025

Archbishop Eammon Martin said - the Catholic Bishops of Ireland dedicated the month of June as a special time of prayer for peace and for solidarity with the suffering people of Gaza. I call on all parishes to once more set aside Sunday, 24 August as a day of prayer and reflection for Gaza and for a renewed commitment by the international community for a just and lasting peace in the Middle East. Please join in 24 hours of prayer and reflection in your parishes and homes on Sunday, 24 August. Light a candle in your family home or local parish church; attend Mass, spend time before the Blessed Sacrament; pray the Rosary; make some small personal penance or sacrifice, and on that day let the light of hope radiate out from the island of Ireland for peace, for Gaza and for the future of its people. We invite everyone this weekend to pray for peace and the people of Gaza.

**On Sunday 24th of August in St. Aidan's Cathedral at 3pm we will hold a Holy Hour with prayers for peace and for the people of Gaza concluding at 4pm with Benediction. All are welcome.**

As Pope Leo said, addressing the young people gathered for the Jubilee of Youth in Rome, and encouraging them in their desire to transform our world for the good: *'We are with the young people of Gaza, we are with the young people of Ukraine, with those of every land bloodied by war. My young brothers and sisters, you are the sign that a different world is possible: a world of fraternity and friendship, where conflicts are not resolved with weapons but with dialogue.'* (Pope Leo XIV, Angelus, 3rd August 2025).

### FERNS PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA-2025

Led by Spiritual Directors, Fr. Denis Browne; Fr. Paddy Banville & Fr. Frank Murphy 9th OCTOBER 2025 for 7 nights €899 per person sharing  
For information, please contact:  
Fr Denis Browne 086 8926260  
frdenisbrowne@gmail.com  
For bookings, please contact:  
Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800.

Sean Kinsella 053 91 23819 or Neil Foley 087 9740120. All are welcome.

### MEN'S JUBLIEE CAMINO Men's Hike

Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025 20kms, on greenway, from Dominican Abbey (ruin) in Carlingford to Newry (St. Catherine's) via Newry Cathedral (Jubilee Indulgence). Mass, Adoration, Rosary, Confessions & Fraternity. Registration & details on [www.dominicans.ie/events/](http://www.dominicans.ie/events/). 086 8926260  
frdenisbrowne@gmail.com For bookings, please contact: Joe Walsh Tours 01-2410800

### Divine Mercy and Pro-Life Pilgrimage

Divine Mercy and Pro-Life Pilgrimage to Our Lady's Island on Friday 22nd August. Rosaries will be led from the Church at 6.30pm. Holy Mass at 7.30pm followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Celebrant: Fr Billy Swan.

#### READERS

**Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> August**

**Vigil:** Anne Dobbs

**11am:** Kay Doyle

#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

**Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> August**

**Vigil:** Maria O'Shaughnessy

**11am:** Denis Levingston

#### Castlegardens

**Eucharistic Minister**

**Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> August**

Marian Dowling

### PATRON COLLECTION

A sincere thank you to all who donated so generously to the Patron collections last Sunday at both cemeteries. The amount collected was €5,885. This valuable collection will help greatly with the day-to-day maintenance and running costs of the Cemetery and patron expenses. Thank you again for your generosity.

### St. Vincent de Paul Society Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Pilgrimage takes place on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025. Cost €75 Adult and €40 children includes bus and 2 meals. Places can be booked by ringing

#### **DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

God our Father,

We trust in your loving kindness.

Bless our Diocese of Ferns with many priestly religious and lay vocations.

Give the men and women You call the light to understand Your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your son. Amen.