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Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

STREAMING / RECORDING OF MASSES

This is an information notice in relation to our streaming service. As most parishioners are aware, weekend masses in Mooncoin Church are live streamed and recorded. Funerals for example are not recorded unless by request. Please feel free to contact the parish office to request recordings of funerals. 051 895 123.

The Ossory Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place from 19th May to 24th May 2025, led by the Bishop of Ossory Most Rev. Niall Coll. A detailed religious programme has been organized by Joe Walsh Tours in conjunction with the Diocese of Ossory, so pilgrims can have a very special time at the Sanctuary. The Ossory Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is a fully escorted tour including: direct return flight from Cork to Lourdes, airport transfers and assistance between Lourdes Airport and your hotel, 5 nights' accommodation, full board: breakfast, lunch and dinner each day, 20kg check-in luggage plus one small personal item in the cabin and full services of Joe Walsh Tours guides and representatives throughout. **FURTHER INFORMATION** More details and bookings on the tour below. You can also contact us by email at info@joewalstours.ie or phone Cork: 021 242 7190 / Dublin: 01 241 0800.

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Live Streaming: www.churchservices.tv/mooncoinparish

DIY SOS: The Big Build is coming to Kilkenny!

DIY SOS is a heart-warming, inspirational series for RTÉ ONE. Deserving families facing difficult personal circumstances, who need help to improve their quality of life, get a significant home renovation – all delivered by the goodwill of trades, suppliers, contractors and the local community. The series brings out the very best in people. In every episode an army of volunteer builders, labourers, trades, suppliers, friends and neighbours come together - giving their time, labour and materials free gratis - to help a family in real need. Baz Ashmawy and the team meet families across the country who may be struggling to cope with a devastating illness or life-changing condition, and who need help to rebuild their homes - and hopefully, transform their lives in the process. This series showcases Ireland's incredible community spirit. It quietly celebrates the generosity, dedication and pure altruism of big-hearted volunteers and suppliers, all working tirelessly to help change someone's life in a very tangible way – by making their house a home again.

In our first build, we'll be working with the community in **Mooncoin, County Kilkenny**, to help complete a dream home for the O'Hanlon family, who need a specially adapted house for their little girl, Aoibhinn. We're looking for any locals with trades, whether it be builders, plumbers, landscapers, electricians, and in particular painters and plasterers, who might be able to give us ANY of their time across the 9 day build. Also obviously we're looking for ALL types of volunteers, so if you're not a tradie but you're open to sweeping, digging, cleaning, catering, we'd love to hear from you too. AND if there are any local coffee shops, restaurants, pubs, deli's that would be happy to donate to feed our volunteers across any of the 9 days, we'd love to hear from them too. The best way to volunteer is to get in touch with us directly (contact details below)

Aoibhinn's Story Aoibhinn (9), was born with a severe type of spina bifida and hydrocephalus, which pose significant challenges for her and her family, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. She is completely paralysed from her belly button down and has had to have a shunt inserted to drain the fluid from her brain. Aoibhinn lives in Mooncoin, County Kilkenny - with her Mam Sharon (Aoibhinn's full time carer), her Dad John, and her two younger siblings. After many years struggling to secure the money to build a home to meet Aoibhinn's growing needs - with a lot of knockbacks and refusals - John and Sharon eventually managed to secure an extremely modest mortgage and embarked on their self-build. Progress has been painfully slow - despite family and friends giving every spare moment to the project. To save money the family moved in with Aoibhinn's grandparents. Conditions there are cramped as the house is now jam-packed with assistive devices and mobility equipment, such as wheelchairs, a stander, commodes, high chairs and a changing unit. John and Sharon might eventually achieve their goal of a home for Aoibhinn but not without budget driven compromises and not without further significant delay. **DIY SOS - The Big Build can make a huge difference to this young person's life - right now. Can you help DIY SOS: The Big Build Ireland help the local community to complete the dream home that Aoibhinn and the O'Hanlon's deserve?**

CONTACT: PHONE: 083 126 3130 EMAIL: diysoskilkenny@gmail.com

MASSSES FOR THE COMING WEEK

Monday No Mass
 Tuesday 9.30am Carrigeen
 Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
 9.30am Mooncoin
 Tuesday is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes

This weekend is safeguarding weekend

Mooncoin church will be closed @ 4pm
 for the winter months

STUDIO POTTER LOOKING FOR PREMISES

TO RENT Ideally Somewhere that's about 40 - 50sqm with a modest monthly budget. It doesn't have to be in perfect condition; I'd be happy with somewhere that's in need of a bit of TLC. Level access would be great too. I plan on teaching regular adult classes in the studio and will need basic facilities for students like toilets and parking. If anyone in the community knows of a possible premises which might suit? Contact Bridget on 087 228 2013

RECENTLY DECEASED: Gerald O'Shea, St Anne's Terrace. Susan Morris, Newrath. Kathleen Walsh, Clogga.

ANNIVERSARIES: Nicola Kinsella, Dournane. Kieran Walsh, Fethard, Co Tipperary. Patie Taylor Walsh, Portnascully. Seamus Doran, St Judes, Mooncoin. Patrick & Elsie Reid, Grannagh. Martin Long, Ballygriffin.

Mooncoin	Date/Time	Names	Date/Time	Names
Flower Group	February	M. Wall		
Readers	15th February	Joe Cashin Nessa Murphy	16th February	Emily Doyle Tom O'Hanlon
Eucharistic Ministers	15th February	TBC	16th February	TBC
Carrigeen	Date/Time	Names	Date/Time	Names
Cleaners	15th February	Judy Doherty	Helena Walsh	
Readers	16th February	Communion Parents & Children		
Collectors	16th February	Ronan Walsh	Margaret Phelan	
Eucharistic Ministers	16th February	Eileen Dowling	Declan Walsh	
Kilnaspic	Date/Time	Names	Date/Time	Names
Readers	23rd February	Caoimhe Munroe		
Cleaners	February	D. Aylward		
Eucharistic Ministers	16th February	Katherine Hogan		