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DIOCESE OF OSSORY

ADVENT 2025



Advent Taize Prayer

FIRST WEEKEND OF ADVENT Wait for the Lord - his day is near...
Taize evening prayer for the young people of the City. Pizza after!
Friday 28th November, 7.00pm, St Mary's Cathedral

Baptismal Teams Understanding the Sacrament of Baptism

Rev. Dr ENDA MURPHY - A brief history of the Sacrament
Tuesday 2nd December, St Kieran's College, 7.30pm
Rev. Dr LIAM BERGIN - A Sacrament filled with rich symbolism
Tuesday 9th December, St Kieran's College, 7.30pm
Rev. Dr DERMOT RYAN - How to make these celebrations fruitful
Tuesday 16th December, St Kieran's College, 7.30pm

Confirmation Retreat Evening

A short prayerful meditation for children preparing to celebrate the
Sacrament of Confirmation
Wednesday 10th December, St Mary's Cathedral, 7.00pm

Godly Play

**THE STORY OF ADVENT FOR CHILDREN PREPARING FOR FIRST HOLY
COMMUNION**
Friday 12th December, 6.30pm
St Patrick's Parish Centre, Loughboy, Kilkenny

Reshaping structures Parishes and dioceses opportunities to collaborate

Very Rev. ALBERT MCDONNELL
Ms GEMMA MULLIGAN
Monday 15th December, St Kieran's College, 7.30pm

Advent Penitential Service

CITY ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE
Wednesday 17th December, St John's Church, 7.30pm

Emmanuel God with us

An evening of prayer, reflection, music and song. Join us for our
DIOCESAN CAROL SERVICE
Sunday, 21st December, St Mary's Cathedral, 7.30pm.

Daily Advent Tweet

Thoughts, reflections, prayer and ideas - why not take a few moments each
day during Advent to pause in prayer. Follow us on Twitter @ossorydiocese

Online Parish Resources

Simple resources to download for use in parishes. These items are
intended as resources for parishes/schools and parish groups and can be
used in a variety of ways. Available now at ossory.ie



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BAPTISMAL TEAMS

Understanding the Sacrament of Baptism



Mgr Enda Murphy, a priest of the Diocese of Kilmore, serves as Capo Ufficio in the Congregation of Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments at the Vatican.



Mgr Liam Bergin is a priest of the Diocese of Ossory, and Professor of Practice, Co-Director Catholic Education and Theology Minor at Boston College.



Fr Dermot Ryan, a priest of the Diocese of Ossory, and is Administrator of the Cathedral Parish and President of St Kieran's College.

These three evenings are intended to help prepare Baptismal Teams in their work of supporting families who come forward for Baptism.

The evenings are also open to anyone interested in finding out more.

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RESHAPING STRUCTURES

Parishes and dioceses opportunities to collaborate



Ms Gemma Mulligan, a member of Tullaroan Parish, is the Coordinator of our Diocesan Pastoral Plan and one of the lead members of our Diocesan Synod Team.



Fr Albert McDonnell is a priest of the Diocese of Killaloe, Vicar Forane of the Tradaree Pastoral Area, a Canon Lawyer, and Chancellor.

All of our parishes have begun to collaborate in our Pastoral Areas. This exciting development allows for the sharing of resources and ideas. In recent years Dioceses have started to come together in a similar fashion to be better able to serve the people in their care. This evening explores the possibilities of such collaborations.

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Ms Gemma Mulligan

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