**WINDGAP PARISH NEWSLETTER 22 DECEMBER 2013**

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**MASSES DURING THE WEEK**

Monday & Friday in Dunamaggan at 9.30 a.m. **First Friday mass in Windgap at 7.30 p.m.**

Wednesday & Thursday in St. Joseph’s Home, Kilmoganny at 12.10 p.m.

Tuesday in Windgap at 9.30 a.m.

Saturday: Kilmoganny at 7.00 p.m.;

Sunday: Tullahought at 9.00 a.m.; Windgap at 10.00 a.m.; Dunamaggan at 11.00 a.m.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in St. Nicholas’s Church, Windgap each Monday from 10.00 a.m. – 8.00 p.m.**

**Holy Hour each Wednesday from 3.00 - 4.00 p.m. St. Leonard’s Church, Dunamaggan.**

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**ANNIVERSARIES:** James Power, Slatequarries, Mass at 9.00 a.m. Sun. 22nd.

Ellen & Michael Cantwell, Seskin, mass at 6.00 p.m. Tues. 24th; Josie Purcell, Tullahought, mass at 9.00 a.m. Wed. 25th; Sharon, Zarah & Nadia Whelan, mass at 10.00 a.m. Wed. 25th; Jim Burke, Graigue, mass at 10.00 a.m. Wed. 25th; James Walsh (Sen) and Johanna Walsh, Kilmacoliver, Pat, Eileen, John, Margaret & Jim Power, Tullahought, mass at 9.00 a.m. Wed. 25th; Rev. Martin Cleere, mass at 10.00 a.m. Sun. 29th.

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**CHRISTMAS MORNING**: **An opportunity to meet friends and chat** in **the Parochial House, Windgap** with a cup of tea etc. will take place **after 10.00 a.m. mass on Christmas Morning.** All are welcome.

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**PARISH RAFFLE:** 1st. Pat McEntee, Kilkenny; 2nd: Padraig Dempsey, Mullinavat; 3rd; Joan Culleton, Raheenarran, 4th; David & John Brett, Kildrummy; 5th Walter Purcell, Lamogue; 6th; Lena Young, Garryricken; 7th; Danny O’Shea, Kiltalaghan.

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**Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Taizé**, France organised by Ossory Youth and under the patronage of the Bishop of Ossory will take place from **17th to 24th August 2014.** The Taizé community is an ecumenical monastic order in Taizé, Saone-et-Loire, Burgundy, France. Over 100,000 young people from around the world make a pilgrimage to Taizé each year. The pilgrimage is open to Transition year, 5th year and Leaving Cert students and the **closing date for applications is 17th January 2014.** For additional information, including cost, and application forms, contact Patrick Bookle, Ossory Youth at (056) 7761200, (087) 2129006 or pbookle@ossoryyouth.com.

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**OSSORY TIMES CHRISTMAS EDITION** is available in the Churches. Price €2. Please support.

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**OSSORY FAITH DEVELOPMENT** leaflets at the back of the Church so as to assist you in reflection and prayer during Advent.

**ADVENT TEXTS**: A short text message will be sent to anyone who texts their mobile number to *Ossory Faith Development Group* 085 0 8313100 or e mails their number to afd@ossory.ie

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**THANKS** to all who supported the Parish Bazaar and Raffle. The net profit from them was €6,010.12.

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**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES:**

**Christmas Eve: Windgap at 6.00 p.m.; Kilmoganny at 7.15 p.m.; Dunamaggan at 9.00 p.m.**

**Christmas Day: Tullahought at 9.00 a.m.; Windgap at 10.00 a.m.; Dunamaggan at 11.00 a.m.**

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**FUN WALK, JOG OR RUN:** **St. Stephen's Day Annual Family Fun Walk, Jog or Run**, starting at Windgap **GAA Grounds 11.30a.m**., adults €10, in aid of Windgap Community Development.

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**ANNUAL CALENDERS** are available free at the back of the churches. Please take one.

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**Callan C.B.S. Zambia Immersion Project** would like to thank the people of Windgap and Tullahought for their generous contribution of €138 and €150 respectively at the recent church door collections. It goes a long way towards reaching our target of €30,000.

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