

**CASTLEDERMOT PARISH**

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Email [castledermotparish@gmail.com](mailto:castledermotparish@gmail.com) Website: [www.castledermotparish.com](http://www.castledermotparish.com)Castledermot Church Mass live stream: [www.churchservices.tv/castledermot](http://www.churchservices.tv/castledermot)**Sunday 28th September 2025****Weekend Masses****Castledermot:****Sat 7.00pm:** Eileen Murphy, Kilkea (1<sup>st</sup> A), Thomas McAssey (A), John Wickham (A).**Levitstown:****Sun 9.30am:** Thomas (Thos) Kirwan (A), Ann O'Brien (A),  
Deceased Members of the O'Brien Family (Rem).**Castledermot:****Sun 11.00am:** Michael & Elizabeth Hunt (A), Mary Doyle, Ballyvass (A),  
Thomas (Thos) Kirwan (A).**Prayers Requested For:****Mass Schedule:**

**Mon: 7.00 pm** Evening Mass:  
**Tues: 10.00am** Morning Mass: Special Intention, Get Well Intention.  
**Wed: 10.00am** Morning Mass: Carmel Curtin, Cork (RD), Christina Deegan (RD),  
 Jim McBride (RD), Kathleen O'Neill (RD).  
**Thur:** NO MASS  
**Fri: 7.00pm** Evening Mass: **Altar List of the Dead.**

**Irish Catholic Newspaper:** is available at Mass each weekend or through the Parish Office. To ensure that *The Irish Catholic* continues to thrive as a forum for debate and a voice for Irish Catholics, it is necessary to introduce a modest price increase. From the edition of October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2025 the cover price will increase to €3.50.

**Items for Newsletter:** Please note all items for inclusion in the newsletter must be delivered in person or in writing by 12 noon on Thursday. This deadline also includes emails received to [castledermotparish@gmail.com](mailto:castledermotparish@gmail.com).

❖ **Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday:** Today, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September is Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday. The theme for this year is: **Working to make our Society safer for children and young people.**

❖ **Weekly Envelopes 2025/26:** The new year for the weekly envelopes begins in October and new boxes of envelopes are now available at the back of the Church. These contributions cover the running costs of the Parish. We are very grateful for the ongoing support provided by annual, half yearly, monthly or weekly contributions. Standing order forms are available at the Parish Office.

❖ **The 800<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Canonisation of St. Lawrence O'Toole:** Castledermot will mark this historical event for our parish, with a special Mass composed by Brian Kehoe. The parish choir, accompanied by members of other choirs, will travel to the Pro-Cathedral on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of November 2025. The parish have organised a bus to travel to the Pro-Cathedral at 4.30pm on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> of November followed by a meal in the Gresham Hotel. The cost of the trip is €30.00 per person. This includes the travel cost to the event, the meal and the travel cost home. Anyone interested in attending the Mass in Dublin should give their name to the parish office along with payment. Spaces are limited and are allocated on a first come, first served basis. Closing date for invitations is 10<sup>th</sup> October. Further details please contact the parish office, 059 9144888.

❖ **Wave of Light 2025:** October is Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month and each year on October 15<sup>th</sup> there is a Global Wave of Light where across the world at 7pm candles, monuments, landmarks and buildings are lit in pink and blue in memory of our babies. Teach Diarmada Community Centre are proud to be participating in lighting up the building pink and blue on the 15<sup>th</sup> October from 7pm to 8pm. You are welcome to join us in the centre for light refreshments on the evening.

❖ **St. Therese of Lisieux Feast Day Celebrations:** As part of the Centenary Celebrations of St Therese of Lisieux's Canonisation & Feast Day Week Celebrations, there are a calendar of events for the Relics of St. Therese & her Parents along with a unique Exhibition of historical items travelling to a few locations from October 1<sup>st</sup>. In Kildare town on 1<sup>st</sup> October, 7pm Mass with Veneration until 9pm will take place in the Carmelite Church. On 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 10am Mass with Veneration until 7pm. On 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 10am Mass & 7.30pm Mass with Veneration until 9pm. On 4<sup>th</sup> October, 10am Mass & Special Mass @ 7pm with Veneration until 9pm. There will also be an Exhibition of historical Items from the life of St. Therese in Carmel Hall from 10am – 9pm. On 5<sup>th</sup> October, 10am & 12pm Mass with Veneration after both Masses.

❖ **Carlow Day Care Centre:** Will be hosting their annual table quiz next Thursday 2nd October from 7.30pm at Seven Oaks Hotel, Carlow. Expect a fun evening with fantastic raffle prizes, spot prizes and door prize. Ber Jennings will be guest MC this year. €40.00 per table of four. You can book a table in advance through email to [cdeccquiz@gmail.com](mailto:cdeccquiz@gmail.com) message the centre through Facebook or a call to 059 9135977. This is an important fundraiser for the centre providing services to older adults living in the Carlow area and your support is greatly appreciated.