Schools re-opening comes about again. After an amazing summer our young people get the uniforms out, find the school books, and look forward to re-connecting with class mates once more. All good wishes to our young people, school staffs, and families as work begins once more.

Catholic Grandparents Association Annual National Grandparents Pilgrimage September 9th 2018, Knock Shrine 2.30pm. Everybody welcome to honour & thank Grandparents alive & dead for all they have done for us down through the ages. Chief Celebrant will be Archbishop Jude Thaddeus Okolo, Papal Nuncio.

Citizens Information Centre provides a free and confidential information service to the people of Kilkenny City and County. We are currently recruiting volunteers. If you are interested, please contact us for further details. Telephone: Sarah Drea at 0761 07 7910.

Family Carers Ireland in association with CarePlus pharmacy are asking for your help in finding Carlow & Kilkenny’s 2018 Carer of the Year. If you know of someone who is providing care to a loved one & would like them to be recognised for their outstanding work, then simply phone 056 7721424 or 1800 24 07 24 or log on to www.familycarers.ie to nominate them. Remember to include as much information about them as possible.

Computer Classes From mid-September Thomastown Library will be aiming to Get Citizens Online. We will be offering the following classes: Free Beginner Computer (tablet) Classes Free Driver Theory Test tuition. Call in to book a place or give us a ring on 056 7794331.

Safeguarding
If you have a safeguarding concern contact the
Diocesan Designated Liaison Person
Mr Cathal Cullen
dlp@ossory.ie
The Safeguarding Representatives in this parish are
Brigid Begley and Ray O’Carroll
They can be contacted through the Parish Office.

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families 2018
God, our Father,
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.
Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.
Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:
[We pause and remember family members and others by name].
Increase our faith, Strengthen our hope, Keep us safe in your love,
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.
This we ask, through Christ our Lord, Amen
Mary, mother and guide, pray for us,
Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.
Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.
Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.