# ST CANICE'S PARISH

18<sup>th</sup> October, 2020

## Praying for those who have died

## **Recently Deceased**

Esther Dowling, (Nee Clifford) Old Callan Rd Jane Mulcahy Sister of Sr. Catherine, Troy's Court

#### Anniversaries

Sun 10am Andy Phelan Mon 9.15am Jim Cooney Mon 7.30pm St. Luke's Annual Remembrance Mass Thurs 9.15am Mary Haide

## We also remember:

Maureen Bryan, Chris Moore,

### **Next Weekend**

Sun 10am Martha Murphy (Months Mind)
Audrey Marnell (Birthday Remembrance)

#### **Funerals**

A maximum of 25 people are allowed to attend funeral ceremonies. We ask people to strictly adhere to this number and to continue with social distancing to safeguard ourselves and one another.

Please use hand sanitiser before entering the church

**Face Masks.** We recommend and encourage everyone to wear Face coverings at all religious ceremonies.

**Thanks to all** who have contributed to the weekly offering via our new online Donate facility. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**St Luke's Hospital Annual Remembrance Mass** to remember those who have died in the hospital, particularly those who have died during the past year will be broadcast online from St Canice's next Monday19th Oct at 7.30pm. The End of Life Committee invite you to join them via webcam at <a href="www.stcanicesparish.ie">www.stcanicesparish.ie</a>. Candles will be lighting in the Church on behalf of the Deceased and their names will be called during the Mass which will be celebrated by Fr. Pat Carey, Chaplain of St Luke's Hospital.

October Station Envelopes may be returned to the Parish Centre on Mon, Wed, and Fri between 10am and 1pm or placed in Fr. Jim's letter box. Thank you

## **COVID-19 Support Line for Older People**

ALONE has launched a national support line for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to the outbreak of COVID-19 The support line is open 7 days a week, 8am-8pm, by calling 0818 222 024



The 10am Mass on Sundays and the daily Masses (Mon-Sat 9.15am) are now being celebrated in the church behind closed doors.

You can watch the Masses on the Parish Webcam <u>www.stcanicesparish.ie</u> or hear them on the Parish radio (108FM.)

The 10am Mass on Sundays will also be broadcast live from St. Canices on Community Radio Kilkenny City (88.7fm)

## **Donate Button**

We now have a "Donate" facility on our Parish Website. This can be used for all Collections, including Special Collections such as Mission Sunday and Donations to the Parish. It is very user friendly. Just click on the Donate button, choose which collection you are contributing to and the amount you wish to give. This can be a once off donation or a regular payment.

Thank you for your continued generosity.

# Mission Sunday 18th October 2020

This year's theme "Together we can do more – Blessed are the Peacemakers" is highlighting that our Church is a global community that must stand together if it is to do more. COVID-19 brings much fear, but it also shows us that selfless and courageous actions are not reserved solely for saints. In fact they are found in every one of us, and that by acting together we can achieve more. The theme also recognizes our missionaries as peacemakers. In many of our poorer parishes in Africa, Asia, and Latin America, it is missionaries who are on the front line. We already owe these women and men so much, as they walk hand-in-hand with marginalized communities, long before and after any emergency. Just like Jesus, the Prince of Peace, missionaries emulate love and harmony as they reconcile fragile people, from fractured communities, with God and with each other. In West Africa, the people of Niger have suffered for too long from poverty, drought and conflict. Famine has left over 2.4 million, including 800,000 children starving and vulnerable. Women endure the most, battling child marriage, female circumcision and lack of education. Now COVID-19 is taking hold, bringing more hardship. The virus is more than a health crisis, it is an economic disaster. Prices have skyrocketed and there is little work. The pandemic has shut down borders, meaning no one can leave, and desperately needed supplies cannot enter. As many village men attempt to illegally leave to find work, the women remain, doing their best for their starving children. Much of the health care system has collapsed, and mothers have the added fear of an increase in other diseases due to COVID-19.

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