

ST CANICE'S PARISH

1st November, 2020



Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Betty Brennan, Bonnettstown

Paddy Hanrahan, Larchfield

Anniversaries

Sun 10am Martin Dowling (Months Mind)

Tony Murphy

William, Geoffrey and Maryann Brennan

Wed 9.15am John and Mary Fitzgerald

Thurs 9.15am Jane Mulcahy (Months Mind)

We also remember:

Mary Cummins, Bernadette Dermody, Tess Turner

Next Weekend

Sun 10am Jim, Babs, Paddy and John Mullins

William Ivors, William Jnr and Vera Ivors

Harry and Jim Cousins

St. Canice's Annual Memorial Mass will be livestreamed on the webcam on the Feast of All Souls, Mon 2nd Nov at 7.30pm. Please join Fr. Jim and Fr. Tom as they remember our parishioners who died this past year

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.

Mass Intentions and Anniversaries may be emailed to jimmurphy@ossory.ie or by phone/text to Fr. Jim on 087 2609545

The November Offering Envelopes

A Time to Remember - November - Prayers for the Dead

During the Month of November the priests of the Parish will offer up Masses for your deceased relatives and friends. There are Remembrance Slips in the November envelope which are now being distributed. You are invited to write the names of your deceased relatives and friends on the slip and to place it in the box at the front of the altar. Station Envelopes may be returned to the Parish Centre or placed in Fr Jim's letter box. Thank you

Mass Schedule from 7th October 2020

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 www.stcanicesparish.ie or hear them on the Parish radio (108FM.)

The 10am Mass on Sundays will also be broadcast live from St. Canice's 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.

A Time to Remember

A great feature of the iPhone is the facility to take photos and to store them. Regularly I dip into the collection of photos to remember people and events. One of the first people I met after Mass in the Pyrenees was a mountain farmer who lived contentedly with his wife Mary looking after their animals high up on the hillside –Joseph Baque. We became great friends. He loved showing me his beehives and the vegetable garden he was so proud of. Unfortunately he died as a result of injuries when his tractor overturned and pinned him underneath. I was so sorry. At Halloween three years ago, I was in the Pyrenees again and visited Joseph's grave on All Saints Day- Toussaint- and met all his family gathered to remember their loved ones. There was an abundance of Chrysanthemums of varied hues. There is such a run on the sales of these flowers that there are open air markets and the colours are magnificent.

It is now All Saints and All Souls Feast again this weekend when we will celebrate our loved ones who have died. Here in St. Canice's we will celebrate a Memorial Mass online on Monday evening at 7.30pm. We will call the names of the faithful parishioners who have died this past year. I invite you to join Fr. Tom and I to pray for the dead.

Visiting the graves is a lovely custom in France. People come back to their home villages from all over the country. They will not be able to do so this year due to the lockdown.

We join with each other in prayer, in loving remembrance of Parents, Family Members and Neighbours.

A traditional prayer we often pray for those who have died is "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them." We could think of rest as suggested in the lovely psalm "The Lord is my Shepherd." "Near restful waters he leads me to revive my drooping spirits." Rest is associated with a revival of our spirits. Eternal rest is an eternal revival of our deepest self. Saint Ephrem wrote "in the kingdom our departed ones achieve their full stature." (Fr. Martin Hogan)

Let us unite in faith and hope and enjoy the time to remember. We remember with thanksgiving in our hearts and look forward in joyful hope. –Jim

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