

ST CANICE'S PARISH

18TH APRIL 2021

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Kathleen Woodcock Joyce Graiguenamanagh

Mary (Jib) Dalton, Threecastles

Anniversaries

Sun 10am Thomas Wall, Nuala Cody, Ted Ivory, Sean Falsey (10th Anniv)

Wed 9.15am Michael O'Grady (1st Anniv)

Thurs 9.15am William, Anne & Tom Kelly

We also remember William Brennan, Mary Craddock, Nuala Cummins, Michael O'Reilly

Next Weekend

Sun 10am Bridie Donegan, Michael O'Grady (1st Anniv)

Donate Button

Thanks to all who are contributing to the weekly offering and to the Parish via our new online Donate facility. This facility can be used for all Collections 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. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel

When we are not expecting it to happen, even a good event can startle us. So it was with the disciples when Jesus appeared to them. He sought to calm them and helped them to see the good news behind what had initially alarmed them. Who has been a Jesus person for you helping you to find meaning and good news in life?

Jesus helped the disciples to find new hope, but he did not give them easy answers. He asked them to see the facts before their eyes. He wanted them to learn from the lived experience they were having. As a parent, teacher, friend or guide, have you been a Jesus person to another, helping him/her to find hope and purpose in life by learning from his/her experiences? Who has done this for you?

Jesus opened their minds to 'understand the scriptures' and the effect was transformative. Perhaps there have been times when a new and deeper understanding of scripture has had a transformative impact on you. Recall the experience and give thanks for those who opened the scriptures for you.

The resurrection experience empowered the disciples to be witnesses. Unexpected possibilities for the future surfaced when it seemed that hope had gone. When have new possibilities opened for you after a 'resurrection' experience recovery of health when it did not seem possible, new opportunities after failure or disappointment, inner healing after a deep hurt, etc?

Mass Schedule from 10th January 2021

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)

Pope Francis' Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. **Amen**

Funerals

A maximum of 10 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

Resurrection stories are part of the religion course in school these days. I was in First Class yesterday and a little boy had a question for me "How did Jesus rise from the dead?" he asked, his face full of wonder and his eyes as bright as stars. What a great question. Next time I will have to bring the theologian Dr. Tom Norris with me to meet the 'junior theologian.' Well, to answer the question, I sprang into full dramatic mode and explained that God our Father raised Jesus from the dead and Jesus appeared many times to his disciples. He even ate his breakfast one morning with them. When they were in a room with the door locked, Jesus was still able to come in and speak with them. Wasn't it marvelous!! Isn't it great! The Risen Jesus is with us- here and now- and he wishes us peace. I am enjoying the Scripture readings at Mass in this Easter Season and it is wonderful just to sit in the silence and be aware of the Risen Lord's Presence among us. May he give hope to those of you who are finding the lockdown difficult. May he bless with his presence all who are ill at this time. We are all walking along the road to Emmaus and need to be attentive, on the alert, on the lookout for the Lord who joins us on the way

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