

ST CANICE'S PARISH

24TH OCT 2021

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Joe McKee, St. Fiacre's Place

James Murray, Common Hall, Vicar St.

Nora Lanigan, Rothe Tce.

Mick Taylor, Corcoran Tce

Anniversaries

Sun 11.30am Donal Walsh

Tues 9.15am James Cooney

We also remember

Anne Beirne, Patrick Craddock, Bernadette Dermody, Mona Doran, Frank Murphy, John Turner

Next Weekend)

Sat 7.30pm Tony Murphy

Sun 11.30am Catherine Powell (Months Mind)

Sunday Collection

As we cannot currently pass around the collection bags, there is a box in the porch where you may put your offerings. We also have the **Donate** button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online. Last Sunday's collection amounted to € 795
Thank you for your generosity.

Govt. Guidelines for Church Ceremonies

From 22nd October, Religious Ceremonies can proceed without capacity limits but with all other protective measures in place, i.e. Physical distancing, mask wearing, sanitizing and ventilation. Unfortunately this means every second pew will remain roped off and we ask people from different households to continue to observe social distancing in the available pews. The stewards will endeavor to seat as many people as possible in the Church and we ask you to please follow their guidance.

Please remember that we still need to observe the government guidelines and protocols to protect ourselves and each other.

Facemasks must be worn at all Masses and ceremonies. Please use hand sanitizer before entering the Church. Please observe social distancing both inside and outside the Church. For Communion, we have a one way system- (up the centre aisle and down the side). The people in the side aisles should come up first, followed by the people in the centre aisle. The people in the centre aisle should remain seated until the stewards reach you.

Please allow for social distancing and follow the directions of the Stewards.

Communion will be given in the hand only. Please take your copy of the newsletter home with you. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to keep our Church a safe place for all.

Afternoon Tea Dance

There will be an Afternoon Tea dance next Wednesday the 27th of Oct at St Canices Neighbourhood Hall from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

Please bring your Covid certificate with you if attending the event

Mid Term Break – as the schools and the Diocesan Office are closed for Midterm break, **the Parish Centre will also be closed next week**

World Mission Sunday 24th Oct is the Holy Father's annual appeal for spiritual and financial support so that the life-giving work of overseas mission and missionaries can continue. This year's theme *'We Cannot Remain Silent – We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard (Acts 4:20)'* is twofold. It is a message of hope – Jesus Christ is risen and we cannot keep his love, compassion, and mercy to ourselves. It also challenges us to stand up and speak out on behalf of those who are weaker. All too often, the voices that need to be heard are not the loudest. For them, we cannot remain silent. For more information on how to help please see www.missio.ie

Letter from Bishop Nulty re: Easing of Covid -19 Restrictions

“While we are moving in a positive direction, it is most important that our churches continue to be safe places in which people can gather with confidence in increasing numbers. We therefore ask parishes to examine carefully how the gradual easing of restrictions in their churches can be wisely managed. Consideration should be given to continuing for the time being, some of the many useful practices which have been developed during the pandemic, including good ventilation of buildings, the provision of hand sanitizer and the use of face coverings. We also ask people to exercise strong personal responsibility with regard to good social distancing at all church gatherings. Of course, this will depend on everyone exercising a high degree of care, especially for the most vulnerable in our parish communities who wish to return to Mass and the Sacraments at this time. Sensible hygiene measures and the use of face coverings are among the ways in which people's health can be protected and all can feel confident gathering in church. Advice received recently from the Govt includes the following: *As the capacity of Places of Worship and numbers attending varies greatly, we ask each parish to consider what best suits their congregation. This will be particularly relevant for funerals/special ceremonies, with large congregations in attendance. Attendees should not be permitted to stand in the aisles or doorways. Choirs or soloists should be limited in line with the size/capacity of the Church and should adhere to social distancing from other singers, choir master the congregation and other individuals in the setting.* We are advised that Covid-19 remains a threat, and so we will all need to be respectful and protective of the well-being of others, taking sensible precautions and allowing space to those around us. The Sunday Eucharist is at the heart of our identity as the People of God. Although throughout the time of pandemic numbers in churches were small and it was necessary at times for people to connect and pray with the community by virtual means online, it is in being present with each other to offer worship to God that we truly express our nature as a community of faith. It is a joy to see the time approaching when this can happen in complete freedom and we all can fulfil our joyful calling to worship as One Body, One Spirit in Christ.”

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.

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