

ST CANICE'S PARISH

31ST OCT 2021

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Pat Egan, Talbots Inch, Freshford Rd

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Tony Murphy

Sun 11.30am Catherine Powell (Months Mind)

Wed 9.15am John and Mary Fitzgerald

Thurs 9.15am Joseph P.O. and Joseph George

We also remember Vera Kearns

Next Weekend)

Sat 7.30pm Paddy, Babs, Jim and John Mullins

Sun 11.30am Tom Donohoe (1st Anniv)

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 € 575

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.

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.

November – Days of Hope - Fr Jim

The clocks go back this weekend which means we have shorter days and longer nights. Some of my dear older friends have said to me how difficult they find November. They feel a lot of loneliness as they recall and remember those dear ones who have died. I understand that very well. These days when I go to the Cemeteries for a funeral service, I spend time visiting the graves of people I knew. I am aware of all the people I knew well who are now interred at Foulkstown or St. Kieran's. There are those who have touched our lives very personally, and whom we have known and loved and now “miss” because they are no longer with us. As I stroll along it is a time of remembering. It is also a time to give thanks to God for the memories, the generosity, love and friendship we have experienced. Life is never the same and we just have to continue on without them and hope that we will be gathered together again. Our faith in Christ Risen from the dead reassures us of the gift of eternal life, where we will be happy forever in the presence of God

“All Saints is a feast with which we can enter wholeheartedly, and which can draw us all the closer to the Lord, because in faith we believe He has taken them into Himself, where they are enjoying the fullness of His love, it is an opportunity to thank Him for the gifts they have been to us and an invitation to us to reflect on our own identity and on our own desires and hopes. Today's feast is an invitation to rediscover that hope which is such a vital aspect of our faith : hope of being reunited with our beloved saints; hope of seeing what they now see eternally- the radiant light and joy of God's glory and in that hope , of daring to begin to live that joy even now, for as St. Catherine of Sienna once observed- all the way to heaven is heaven, because Jesus, who is with us and in us from our Baptism, Himself said, “I am the Way”- Sr. Niamh Galvin OP

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.

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