

# ST CANICE'S PARISH

19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021

**Praying for those who have died**

**Recently Deceased**

Bid Johnston, Hebron Rd

Anna Keegan, St Francis Tce

Margaret (Peggy) Walsh, Rosbercon, (Mother of Margaret Cuddihy, Clarnwood)

**Anniversaries**

Sat 7.30pm Marian, Elizabeth and Michael Clifford. Catherine Oakes, Anastatia Tobin (M.Mind)

Sun 10am Christopher Walsh, Peggy Moore

Sun 11.30am Celine Dignan (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv),

Mon 9.15am Larry Masterson, Varghese M.V. (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

Tues 9.15am John Ryan, and living and deceased members of the Ryan Family

Wed 9.15am Tommy and Eily Gunning

Thurs 9.15am Ted Carroll

**We also remember**

Billy Brennan, Martin Browne, Chrissie Comerford, Martin Doheny, Jack Donegan,

Nannie Donovan, Richard Gaule, Kitty Lennon and her son Joe, Tom and Alice Moloney,

Michael Parker, Billy Phelan, Kay Scott, Don Tynan,

**Next Weekend**

Sun 10am James, Mary and Andy Tynan, Josephine Grace

Sun 11.30am Ted and Rose Kenny, Fr. Martin Cleere

**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 € 788

**As the case numbers are high and with the risk of the new Omicron variant, it is very important that we continue 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.

Communion will be given in the hand only.

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. They will endeavor to seat as many people as possible in the available pews in the Church

Please take your copy of the newsletter and Mass leaflet home with you. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to keep our Church a safe place for all.

**The Parish Christmas Cards and Mass Bouquets** are now available for sale in the Parish Centre.

**The Society of St Vincent De Paul** wish to thank you for your kindness at their Christmas collection. Your generous contributions will be used to help those in need in our Parish

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## Christmas Mass Times



Christmas Eve 6pm and 8pm

Christmas Day 10am and 11.30am

St Stephen's Day 10am and 11.30am,

Please note there will be no 9.15am Mass on Christmas Eve

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated at 7.30pm on Mon 20<sup>th</sup> December.**

At our Mass on Friday, the 17<sup>th</sup> December Fr. Tom read the Gospel detailing the genealogy of Jesus. There were marvelous names, some of them jaw breakers, going back to the time of Adam. It reminds us in a very vivid way that Jesus was descended from the Jewish race that God chose a people and a time to come among us into the human race. But Jesus now belongs to all of us. He has come to share with us the love and mercy of God our Father.

As we prepare to celebrate Christmas may we spend some time to remove any obstacles in our lives which prevent us from welcoming the Saviour. At our Reconciliation service we will celebrate God's forgiveness and his call for us to make a fresh start and renew our relationship with Him and with one another. Welcome. - **Fr. Jim**

## Diocese of Ossory Advent Carols

On Sunday 19th of December at 6.15pm, thanks to the help of our friends at KCLR96FM, the Dioceses of Ossory and Kildare & Leighlin can come together, via the radio, for a reflection of Advent Carols and prayers, led by our parishes, in the company of Bishop Denis Nulty. Why not join us from the comfort of your own home with your family for this short Advent reflection.

**St Canice's Parish Homes, Troy's Court** have a recently vacated Independent Living Unit for which we are looking for a suitable tenant. You must be independent or have low dependency care needs and benefit from a little social and domestic support. For more information and an application form, please contact the manager on 0867927408 or email [stcanicesparishhomes@gmail.com](mailto:stcanicesparishhomes@gmail.com)

**Registered Nurse wanted** immediately for Troy's Court Day Care Centre. Please contact Frances Gilligan for more information on 0867927408 or email CV [stcanicesparishhomes@gmail.com](mailto:stcanicesparishhomes@gmail.com)

## Reflection for Young People Fourth Sunday of Advent Hearts that carry Joy

Mary is the one we look to as the true example of a witness to Jesus Christ. She shows us clearly what is at the heart of a Christian Vocation - a Yes to God's plan for my life which is a Gift to be shared with others. When we say yes to God in a spirit of generosity and look beyond ourselves we are truly carriers of Christ, bearers of the Good News, and agents of Gospel care. We sow the seeds of Joy in a world that needs to regain its smile. Questions for you? When you see others in need how do you respond?

How can you as a young person bring the Love of God to other in real ways?

What are the gifts and talents you have that could bring Joy to others.

Could you see yourself giving your life to Christ as a bearer of his of hope and joy to people as priest or religious? Do you trust that God's plan for you will be fulfilled?

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