# ST CANICE'S PARISH

# 11<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022

# Praying for those who have died Recently Deceased

Bridie Sloyan, Richview Helen Dunne nee Martin Conahy and formerly of Walkin St Margaret Walsh, Kilsheelin Heights

#### Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Alan Cunniffe

Sun 10am Celine Dignan, Catherine Oakes Sun 11.30am Maureen and Paddy O'Brien

Tues 9.15am Frances O'Connor

Wed 9.15am Joe, Eva and deceased members of the Adams Family

Thurs 9.15am Tommy and Eily Gunning Fri 9.15am Michael and Nora Mahony

We also remember Martin Barry, William, Ellen and Liam Bergin, Martin Browne. Martin Doheny, Paddy and Margaret Doyle, Kitty Lennon and her son Joe, James Murray, Peggy Neary, Patrick Shasby

## Please Note

There will be no 9.15am Mass on Mon 12<sup>th</sup> December. There will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion at this time

#### **Next Weekend**

Sat 7.30pm Marian, Elizabeth and Michael Clifford, Celia Doyle 1<sup>st</sup> anniv and Lillian Freer Sun 10am Christy Walsh, John Ryan and Catherine Carew – Ryan Sun 11.30am Patrick Moynihan (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv) and his son Greg, Peggy Moore

# **Sunday Collection**

The collection last Sunday amounted to €1287. Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

# **Medugorje Evening of Prayer**

Rosary, Mass, Adoration, Prayer for Healing at St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy, Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7.30pm. All are welcome

### St Vincent De Paul Christmas Collection

The need continues to grow within our community. The society is delighted that work has commenced on the long overdue refurbishment of our shop and premises at Butts Green. Please note that this work is funded from the sale of Lord Edward St premises and some surplus from the shop, no donations from public collections are being used for this purpose, which all go directly to people in need in our parish. Thanks to everyone for your generosity, not alone at Christmas but throughout the year.

Our Christmas collection will be taken up after all Masses this weekend.

#### Christmas Concert

The Kilkenny Choir presents John Rutter's Gloria and Carols for Christmas on Sunday, Dec 11<sup>th</sup> at 4.30pm in St. Canice's Church. The choir will be accompanied by soprano Joanne Harding and professional musicians. Tickets €15/€10 at the door. Children free.

#### Mass Times

Mon-Fri 9.15am Sat Vigil Mass 7.30pm- Sun 10am and 11.30am
All Masses are livestreamed on the Parish Webcam www.stcanicesparish.ie and broadcast 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)

The Parish Christmas Cards and Mass Bouquets are now available at the Parish Centre

**Children's Rosary** - every Thurs evening 7pm, St. Fiacres Church, Loughboy. Part of Blythe Kauffman's worldwide group https://childrensrosary.org

Kilkenny Arts Festival is inviting adults who have migrated to Kilkenny to join us for a Movement, Music & Dance Workshop in John of God N.S. on Tuesday 13th of December at 7pm as we build towards a brand new piece for Kilkenny Arts Festival 2023! If you or somebody you know would be interested in joining us, or would like to find out a little bit more, please contact us at <a href="info@kilkennyarts.ie">info@kilkennyarts.ie</a>

**The CBS Christmas Carol Concert** will take place in St Mary's Cathedral on Tues 13<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm

# Finding our Way

It is amazing how many tourists come up the street and miss the signs for the Black Abbey or St. Canice's Cathedral. They ask me for directions and of course, I avail of the opportunity to chat them up and share stories. We all need to look out for the sign posts. At airports it is fantastic how much large volumes of passengers find their way to the gates to await their flight. It pays to be alert and follow the signs.

You know the story of the young girl violinist who gets off the bus in New York and asks an old man "How does one get to Carnegie Hall?" He replies – "practice, practice, my dear!"

During Advent the prophet John the Baptist reminds us of the call to conversion Repent! Metanoia. Conversion really means turning around, changing direction, following a new path. Nowadays, with Satnav we can find our way right to a person's house if we know the postal code. It is wonderful. We need never be lost anymore.

It is a great time for me and for you to look at our lives to see how things are and what direction I am heading in. The Scriptures are a light for my paths, a sure guide towards salvation!

Stay awake, keep alert, look out for the signs which point out the way of the Lord – listening, watching, pondering the Word, and may the Spirit guide us to change our ways. - Fr Jim

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