

# ST CANICE'S PARISH

18<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022

## Praying for those who have died

### Recently Deceased

Fr Benignus Buckley OFM Cap.

### Anniversaries

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  
Tues 9.15am Larry Masterson .  
Mary Holden  
Wed 9.15am Deceased Members of the McGree and Rafter Families  
Thurs 9.15am Ted Carroll  
Fri 9.15am Eileen Purcell (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv)

### We also remember

George Byrne, Billy Brennan , Chrissy Comerford, Annie Donovan, Thomas Benedict Griffin, Margaret Jackman, Mary Loughman, Mary Maher nee Byrne, Mary Parker, Billy Phelan,

### Please Note

**There will be no 9.15am Mass on Mon 19<sup>th</sup> December.**

**There will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion at this time**

### Sunday Collection

The collection last Sunday amounted to €1197. Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

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

**The Christmas envelopes** are now available at the Parish Centre for collection by the distributors. We thank you for your continued support.

### Praying for peace and supporting the people of Ukraine

In solidarity with our Ukrainian sisters and brothers living among us, Bishops invited parishes and individuals across Ireland, to join them in prayer for the suffering of Ukrainian people at this time:

В очікуванні народження Князя Миру молимося за мир для народу України. Нехай Господь утішить вигнаних з рідних домівок, дасть притулок біженцям, укріпить тих, які бояться і помилує мертвих. Нехай ті, хто прагне насильства і руйнування, прислухаються до голосу Божого, який говорить усім: 'Блаженні миротворці, бо вони синами Божими назвуться.'

### This prayer translates into the English language as follows:

As we await the birth of the Prince of Peace we pray for peace for the people of Ukraine. Lord, comfort those driven from their homes, shelter the refugee, strengthen the fearful and have mercy on the dead. May those intent on violence and destruction listen to the voice of God who says to all, 'Blessed are the peacemakers they shall be called children of God'.



## Christmas Mass Times



Christmas Eve 5.30pm and 7.30pm  
Christmas Day 10am and 11.30am  
St Stephen's Day 10am

All Masses are livestreamed on the Parish Webcam [www.stcanicesparish.ie](http://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)

**Christmas Crib in our Homes** If you would like to take part in the Diocesan Virtual Display of Crib this Christmas – send images of the crib in your home, parish, school or club to [afd@ossory.ie](mailto:afd@ossory.ie) and they will be featured on the Ossory Diocesan Website - [www.ossory.ie](http://www.ossory.ie).

### Diocesan Carol Service

The Diocesan Carol Service will take place in St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday, 18th December at 7.30pm - an evening of reflection, music, song and prayer focused on the Christmas story. All welcome.

### Lest I forget

I am always reassured when I have a new diary for the New Year and am ready to enter in appointments – lest I forget!

When one looks back at the year that is ending to see all the entries in the diary, the happenings and the celebrations – it is good to review and give thanks for all the good we have experienced together. Is it part of growing older, but I am finding the time is flying. Our lives are speeding on and there is nothing to slow things down. On Thursday evening's Ear to the Ground on RTE 1, I was most impressed by a young dairy farmer who was happy with the size of his herd and who was keen to maintain a balance between his work and his family life. Several times he mentioned that life is short and we need to make the most of it. How true indeed!

This weekend we will enjoy the World Cup Final and the Club Championship Final. I am so impressed by Messi and his genius play. I hope he gets his reward. It should be a wonderful game and I am looking forward to it. During last week I only got to see the highlights of the games because of parish commitments, but I am keeping Sunday free!

Since this has been Jubilee year, I have so much to be thankful for, health and friends, family and you my faithful parishioners. Thank you for your encouragement and your goodness to me. We have had great celebrations.

I appreciate very much all your kindness- lest I forget!! – **Fr Jim**

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