ST CANICE'S PARISH

19th February, 2023

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Gen Byrne Blanchfield's Park Nicky Grace, Threecastles

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Mary and Paddy Buggy, Billy Walsh (Months Mind)

Sun 10am KJ Anthony, Lorcan and Liam Dowd, Gary Deevy (Months Mind)

Sun 11.30am John Prendergast, Brian O'Callaghan (Months Mind)

Tues 9.15am Jim Cody, Jimmy Gahan

We also remember

William Burke, Mary Corbally, Seamus Culleton , Philip Egan, Maurice Kelly, Ken, Michael and Joe Lynam, Sadie and Therese McGrath, Tom Murphy, Brendan O'Mara, Peggy Shanahan

Next weekend

Sat 7.30pm Celia Rafter, Kitty O'Donohue Sun 10am Elizabeth Donnelly Swift

Sun 11.30am Sadie Delehanty, Margaret Walsh (Months Mind)

Please Note there will be no 9.15am Mass on Monday 20th February There will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion at this time

Sunday Collection

The collection amounted to \in 1200 Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

Turkey/ Syria Earthquake Relief Ossory Diocesan Collection Sat 18th and Sun 19th Feb.

Bishop Niall has asked that at all Masses this weekend there will be a collection to assist our brothers and sisters in Turkey and Syria at this time. Monies raised will be channelled through Trócaire to those most in need. Please give generously.

Adult Faith Development Lenten Programme.

Lent Tweets Follow@OssoryDiocese for a simple thought each day during this Lenten journey. Have your timeline prompt you to pause each day to be reminded of our Lenten journey.

Online Resources for Lent are available on the Ossory website: www.ossory.ie

St Vincent De Paul

A collection will be taken up after all Masses next weekend 25th and 26th February to support the Society of St. Vincent De Paul. €1280 was donated at the January Collection. Your continued support is very much appreciated

Have you room to spare?

Jini and Shonu are two nurses in St Luke's hospital looking for accommodation for 3 to 4 months. They would be happy to share a room. These girls have only been in Ireland for 6 weeks and are in dire need of accommodation If you can help please contact them on 089 2098157

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 Mass for Deceased Members of Dicksboro will be on Thurs 23rd Feb at 7.30pm at the Clubhouse.

Desert Fathers A Lenten Program for men

A Lenten program for men has been developed by an Irish priest to help men make this Lent different. The program contains 4 pillars - Prayer, Penance, Spiritual reading & Charity. To find out more and join an online group a zoom information meeting is scheduled for Sunday Feb 19th at 8:30pm. Meeting ID 494 625 9738 Password: 997298. Email desertfathers40@gmail.com for a copy of the program.

Temperance Sunday 19th February 2023

Temperance Sunday Mass on RTÉ TV & Radio at 11am will include prayers for all who are in treatment for addiction, for their families and for those who are in recovery. The Pioneer website www.pioneers.ie carries information for parishioners who wish to take the Lenten pledge.

Its not good to be alone!

We had our meeting of the new Parish Pastoral Council on Thursday evening at the Parish Centre. It was a wonderful positive experience where I felt supported, encouraged, befriended by these generous people who are prepared to share their gifts for the good of our Community. The active enthusiastic involvement of the laity gives life and energy to our Parish and helps us to build up a vibrant Christian Community. Thank you to all who are involved. John Shortall has been elected Chairman of the PPC. Thanks John, for accepting to lead us and to co-ordinate the Parish activities. We discussed involving young people in the Parish. We would like to help young people to grow in their faith. We will recruit new Altar Servers- boys and girls — who will be trained by a group of young people. We hope to set up a Bereavement Group who will be trained to help families at the time of funerals and who will help at the prayer services in the funeral homes and support people in times of bereavement.

Letter Box

There is a letter box which is locked and is secure in the Church Porch. You will find it on the left hand side as you enter. People are not aware of this, we are told. Please leave in any correspondence with the Parish. We will open the box daily.

Lent begins next Wednesday - Ash Wednesday.

Blessing of Ashes at the 9.15am Mass and distribution after Mass. You are welcome to take home blessed ashes for your family – using the little bags provided.

Tuesdays in Lent – Scripture Reflection on the Gospel at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome. Wishing you a happy Spiritual Springtime - **Fr Jim**

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