

ST CANICE'S PARISH

2nd April, 2023

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Sean Leahy, Ashleigh Court
Sr. Veronica Doran, Presentation Convent
Richard O'Connell, Old Golf Links Rd
Josie O'Dwyer nee Condon (sister of Sr. Frances)

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Jimmy Dunphy, Mick Maher
Sun 10am Bridget Duffy, Willie Pratt
Sun 11.30am Sean Maher (1st Anniv), Margaret Phelan
Tues 9.15am Margaret and Martin Butler
Wed 9.15am Joyce Britton (1st Anniv) Larry Britton (6th Anniv)

We also remember: Mick Grace, David and Anne Haslam, Lil Morris

Next Weekend

Easter Sunday 10am Josie Cummins, VC Joseph
Easter Sunday 11.30am Emily Dunne (Months Mind)

**Please Note there will be no 9.15am Mass on Monday 3rd April
There will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion at this time.**

Sunday Collection

The collection amounted to €1074. Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

Trócaire Boxes

Please remember to return your Trocaire envelopes or box to the Church on Holy Thursday. Thank You

New Nuncio in Dublin

Pope Francis has appointed Argentinian, Archbishop Mariano Montemayor, as the new apostolic nuncio to Ireland. He will represent the Holy See to the Irish government and draw up shortlists of candidates to be appointed as bishops. The new nuncio is an experienced Vatican diplomat. He served as papal nuncio in the Democratic Republic of Congo from 2015 to 2018. In 2018 he was recalled to Rome after the President, Joseph Kabila, declared him 'unwelcome' because of his support for pro-democracy protests and his criticism of Congo's political leaders. He has recently served as nuncio in Colombia; he had previous postings in Ethiopia and Brazil and in 2008 he was appointed nuncio to Senegal, Cape Verde and Guinea-Bissau, along with serving as apostolic delegate to Mauritania.

New App to share faith

A free app has been launched to encourage Christians to share their faith. The Isaiah 61 Movement - or i61m- was designed by Christians Against Poverty founder John Kirkby CBE and his team. The Redemptorists in Ireland have also launched a new digital evangelisation platform. 'The Preached Word' is a new mobile phone app hosting a team of 50 preachers, including new voices of Religious, both lay and ordained.

Easter at St. Canice's

Monday 3rd April 7.30pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Holy Thursday 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday 3pm Solemn Passion
7.30pm Stations of the Cross
Holy Saturday 7.30pm Easter Vigil
Easter Sunday Mass at 10am and 11.30am

All Masses are livestreamed on the Parish Webcam www.stcanicesparish.ie and broadcast on the Parish radio (108FM.). **Community Radio Kilkenny City (88.7fm) will broadcast the Ceremonies live from St. Canice's on Holy Thursday at 7.30pm, Good Friday at 3pm and the 10am Mass on Easter Sunday**

Chrism Mass Wed 5th April at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Cathedral

Bishop Niall Coll invites all parishioners and members of all parish groups to attend his First Chrism Mass on Wed at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Cathedral. During the Mass, the priests of the Diocese will renew their priestly promises and the Bishop will bless the holy oils which will be used in our celebrations of baptism, confirmation and anointing of the sick in the year ahead Bishop Coll is looking forward to meeting and greeting all parishioners who are able to attend.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr Jim will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday 3rd April at 7.30pm All are welcome.

The 21st Annual Good Friday Walk will be led this year by Bishop Niall Coll. The walk will begin at St. Johns Church at 7 pm walking down John Street, High Street and finishing at the Friary Church for Prayer around the Cross' The theme of this year's walk is 'remembering all in our country and in our world who are carrying the cross of suffering. All are welcome

Easter Afternoon Tea Dance

St Canice's Neighbourhood Hall invites you to our Easter Afternoon Tea Dance on Wednesday 12th April 2023 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm. **MUSIC BY Sean Shortis** RSVP please to Jenny on 087 954 6368 jenny.cooke@firmcgrathcentre.ie or Deirdre on 085 818 deirdre.beale@firmcgrathcentre.ie Afternoon Tea dances in the Neighbourhood Hall are for the senior members of the community. A Raffle will be held at each event

Alone

Would you be willing to provide companionship to an older person locally? ALONE are seeking volunteers in your area. Full training and support provided. If interested, please contact Emma on 086 083 4393 or via email emma.heslin@alone.ie. If you are over 60 and would like to know more about the services ALONE can offer you, pls call 0818 222 024.

First Communion Programme

We continue to welcome in a particular way those children who are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion for the first time later this year. Our focus this month is on the way in which our parish family celebrates Easter. For those who believe in the Resurrection, there is always hope. We can all play our part in bringing that hope to our homes, to our parish, to our country and to the world.