

ST CANICE'S PARISH

Easter Sunday 9th April, 2023

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Michael McGrath, Castlecomer Rd and St. Fiacre's Place
Brigid Doyle, Castlecomer Rd and Gowran

Anniversaries

Easter Sunday 10am Josie Cummins, VC Joseph
Easter Sunday 11.30am Emily Dunne (Months Mind)
Thurs 9.15am The O'Dwyer Family and Ellen Reid
Fri 9.15am Philip Purcell

We also remember: Annie and Dick Burke, Pakie Byrne, Patrick Cahill, Nuala Cummins, Peter Doran, Elizabeth Geoghegan, Nicholas Parker, Joe and Ann Walsh.

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Jerry and Margaret Rowe
Sun 10am Thomas Wall, Nuala Cody
Sun 11.30am Marie Delaney, Ellen Green (Months Mind)

Please Note there will be no 9.15am Mass on

Mon 10th, Tues 11th or Wed 12th April

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

Sunday Collection

The collection amounted to €1405. 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. Thank You

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.

Conversations with Women in the Bible

This Conference will be on 13th May 2023 at The Pembroke Hotel, Patrick St, Kilkenny. The speaker: Thérèse Fitzgerald. Time: 10.00 a.m. – 4.30 p.m. Cost: €20 (includes tea/coffee) pay on the door. Booking essential: Contact Sara or Catherina @ 056 7722870 9.00 am – 5.00 pm or e-mail regionaloffice@ssjg.ie before May 5th

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, Sunday 23rd April 2023. €499.00 per person sharing. Price includes return train, 3 nights' in Knock House Hotel with Full Board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre. Single supplement €100.00.

Contact Patricia on 087 1890 236 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Easter at St. Canice's

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil 7.30pm

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.). **The 10am Mass on Sundays will also be broadcast live from St. Canice's on Community Radio Kilkenny City (88.7fm)**

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@frmcgrathcentre.ie or Deirdre on 085 818 deirdre.beale@frmcgrathcentre.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.

Easter Blessings

Sometimes pieces of wisdom come to mind and I am surprised. Should I say I surprise myself! During Holy Week I was visiting a patient who was very ill. He said to me that he thought he had little time left, that death was near. The Spirit prompted me to say "Neither you nor I know when that time will come so let us make best use of the present time" When we look around us this present time is a time of blossoming. The little tree we planted last summer is sprouting beautiful leaves and all Mick Kelly's care is paying off. I had so often looked at it during the winter and even Benny the terrier visited to add his watering ritual, and add protein to the plant!!

Easter is a time of life and light.

Jesus came to share light and life with us. The beautiful ceremonies of Holy week provide us with a time to become immersed in the awesome love of God for us. Jesus liberates us from sin and death by his faithfulness to the Father's call to empty himself. Jesus wanted to empty himself in his washing of the disciple's feet, treating them with great respect and dignity. The way Jesus relates with them is the way he wants to relate to us all. How wonderful it is to celebrate the love Jesus gave expression to, by his actions at the Last Supper and most fully on the Cross when we celebrate the Eucharist. Let us treasure this blessed time which is life-giving and hope-filled

Thank you to the Choirs, Organist, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristan, Secretaries, Collectors, Stewards, Liturgy Group, Altar Society and Altar Servers for all the help with the Holy Week liturgies. – **Fr Jim**

Happy Easter to all our Parishioners

The Parish Centre will be closed for Easter Week and will reopen on Mon 16th April 2023