ST CANICE'S PARISH

Sunday 17th September, 2023

Praying for those who have died Recently Deceased

Mary Maher, Circular Rd Jason Kerwick (grandson of Ann Kerwick) Imelda McPhilomy, (nee Kelly) Kells Rd

Mary Gittens (Nee Hoyne) Clonmoran, formerly of Ballycallan

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Ann Morrissey (Months Mind) Michael Byrne (Anniv)
Sun 10am Mary Long and her son James, Jim and Bess Woodcock
Sun 11.30am John Cody, James and Kathleen Murray and deceased members

of the Cody and Murray Families and Noeleen Cody (Remembrance)

We also remember Bridget Cahill, Josephine Neary, Kevin Prendergast, Kitty Ralph Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Robert Falsey (Months Mind). Eddie O'Donoghue

Sun 10am Donal Walsh, Margaret McAuley

Sun11.30am Mary Joseph, Matthew, and Joey N George

Please Note there will be no 9.15am Mass on Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th September There will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion at this time.

Sunday Collections

The collection amounted to €1,209. Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

St. Vincent De Paul Collection

Our September collection for SVP will be taken up after all Masses this weekend 16th and 17th September. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

2024 Ossory Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The 2024 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes led by Bishop Niall Coll will take place from Tuesday May 21st – Sunday May 26th Inc. Details to follow

St Mary's Cathedral Restoration Fund Draw

The draw for 2023/24 has just been launched. The first draw will be held on Wed 27th Sept. Tickets may be purchased at the Parish Centre or after Mass on Sunday at a cost of €10 per month. Please continue to support this ongoing work.

St Mary's Cathedral Tour

This weekend sees the launch of an interactive tour of St Mary's Cathedral. By means of QR codes visitors can interact with and learn about the fascinating history of this wonderful building. Built by the people of Kilkenny in the 1840s it has a rich legacy of sacred art, design and prayer. The tour will be available year-round for a daily pass at a cost of €5. The tour, however, will be free of charge this Sunday 10th Sept. and the following Sunday 17th Sept. for the people of our Diocese and beyond. A second phase of the tour will also launch in the weeks ahead.

Mass Times

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

St Canice's Parish Homes CLG is looking for a suitable applicant for a part-time Housekeeping/Kitchen Assistant position. Previous experience working with the elderly would be an advantage but not essential. Morning hours (10 – 2pm) and it will include weekend work. All interested candidates should email CV to stcanicesparishhomes@gmail.com or for more information please contact the Manager Frances Gilligan 0867927408. Closing date 25th October 2023.

An Alpha course will take place in the Avalon Hotel, Castlecomer commencing on Monday, 18th Sept. The course is aimed at 20 to 40 year olds but is not exclusive.

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions exploring Life, Faith and Meaning.

Everyone is welcome no matter their background or beliefs.

If you're looking for a place to Think, Chat, Eat, Laugh, Connect, Explore ,Question then come along on Monday the 18th. You will be very welcome.

Any enquiries to; castlecomeralpha@gmail.com

Synod Gathering

In advance of the first assembly of the Universal Synod, which begins on 4th October 2023, an ecumenical prayer vigil is taking place in Rome to unite us all in praise and worship. In extending this invitation to "TOGETHER-GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD" Pope Francis reminded us that 'the path to Christian unity and the path of synodal conversion of the Church are linked'. In a special way, young people from across the world, are asked to take part. In our Diocese on **Friday September 22nd** we will join with Pope Francis and the young people invited to Rome by holding an ecumenical **Taizé prayer** in The Blessed Sacrament Chapel in St Mary's Cathedral at **7pm** with a special invitation to all the young people of the Diocese. Then on **Sunday 24th September** will gather as the People of God in Ossory at the **5.30pm Mass** united with the People of God across the world to pray for the Universal Synod. People from all across the diocese are invited to attend.

Names

During this past week I was visiting the classes in St. Canice's Co-Ed Primary School. Our secretary, Yvonne, makes life easy for me by preparing the list of pupils by class and I am able to call people by name. It makes a great difference when we are called by name. Our dignity and individuality are respected and it enables us to communicate as persons. As we are getting older it is not as easy to remember names but it is a very worthwhile exercise to try to recall people's names.. There are some amazing names in our school – all indicative of how multicultural our society has become. We are all the richer by meeting new people from different cultures and becoming friends. Don't worry if you are forgetting names – it is no sin to ask – "what's this your name is?" and then of course we must try to remember!

Fr. Jim

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