

# ST CANICE'S PARISH

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

## Praying for those who have died

### Recently Deceased

Dolly Lennon Dunbell (Mother of Mary Reade, Granges Rd.)

### Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Rory Brady 10<sup>th</sup> Anniv

Sun 10am Philomena Campion

Sun 11.30am Andy Phelan

Thurs 9.15am George and Christina Furlong

Fri 9.15am Mary Haide and her daughter Maura McArdle

**We also remember** Patrick and Julie Burke, Ian Jackman, Anne Nolan

### Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Desmond Molloy

Sun 10am

Sun 11.30am Bridget Hogan (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv) and Jim Hogan (13<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**Please Note there will be no 9.15am Mass on**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

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

### Sunday Collections

The collection amounted to €1048. Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online

### Taizé Youth Programme 2024

A youth trip to Taizé in France organised by Ossory Youth will take place from Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June to Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Tens of thousands of young people from around the world, including 25 from Kilkenny, will make the trip to Taizé next year. The programme, which runs from November 2023 to June 2024 is open to Transition year, 5<sup>th</sup> year and Leaving Cert students. Closing date is Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Oct. For more info, contact Patrick Bookle, Ossory Youth at (056) 7761200, (087) 2129006 or pbookle@ossoryyouth.

### Mission Sunday Collection 22<sup>nd</sup> October

Next Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October is Mission Sunday. We pray for all our Missionaries worldwide and ask your support for them

There are envelopes at the back of the Church. Please take one and return your contribution next week. All donations are greatly appreciated and will enable our Missionaries to continue their good work. Thank You.

**Tusla Fostering Week:** Oct 16<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> 2023. Tusla are urgently seeking foster cares across Carlow/Kilkenny/South Tipperary area. Foster Cares provide a safe, secure and stable home environment for children and young people who can't live with their parents due to their life experience. Tusla works with foster carers from all walks of life. A local placement ensures a young person can stay connected to their communities, friends, hobbies and schools. For further information please contact freephone 1800 226 771 or email [tusla.fostering@usla.ie](mailto:tusla.fostering@usla.ie) or register for Tusla's on-line information session on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Oct @ 7pm.

## 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](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)

**Monastic Vocations weekend for women** at St Benedict's Priory, Cobh, Co Cork 28th-29th October. For more information contact Mother Prioress: 021 4811354 [cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com](mailto:cobhtyburnconvent@gmail.com)

## Synod Update

As the Synod in Rome continues in these weeks the 400 members are gathering in the Paul VI hall at the rear of St Peter's Basilica. The format of this Synod is noticeably different from the many that have gone before. All gathered are seated at round tables and all, irrespective of "role", are given the same time to speak. Pope Francis has worked to ensure that all gathered can speak freely but also that they truly make listening a priority. He has noted that at this gathering the Holy Spirit is not merely present but should be seen as the "protagonist" guiding the discussions. To create this atmosphere, Pope Francis has requested confidentiality on the part of Synod members, and in this sense a "fasting from public speech". It is working - we had intended to write to inform you what was happening each week but, thankfully, we do not know.. or at least we do not know the detail of what is being said - Synod members are respecting this freedom to talk and listen with fear of being quoted. Maybe the Spirit is truly the protagonist... - **Fr Dermot Ryan**

## Brother James's big beads

When we were young lads serving Mass in the Capuchin Friary years ago (!) there was an old friar called Brother James. He worked as the Sacristan, getting the altar ready and looking after the church. Once a year there was a Forty Hours Adoration – the Blessed Sacrament was exposed and there were a hundred candles lighting on the altar. Poor James had a big job trying to replace burnt out candles and making sure he didn't set fire to the place. He was such a gentle, kind and humble person. Hanging from the white cord on his habit was a very large Rosary beads. Boy, did he make use of it! You would see him kneeling at a priedieu in a dark corner of the Sacristy fingering his beads.

October is the month of the Rosary and we could follow Bro. James's example by reciting at least a decade every day.

We continue to welcome in a particular way those children who are preparing to celebrate the sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time next year. Our focus this month is on helping them to understand the Rosary as a special prayer said by the parish family, in which we recall events in the life of Jesus and his mother, Mary. We can all make a special effort to say the Rosary, or part of it, during the month of October. - **Fr Jim**

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