

ST CANICE'S PARISH

Sunday 4th February 2024

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Billy Murphy Maple Drive, Ardmore
Liam Drennan, St. Fiace's Place
Margaret Murray, St. Kieran's Crescent
Jimmy Culleton, Old Callan Rd
Sr. Eleanore New Jersey USA

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Conor O'Brien, Collette Cooke-Barry
Sun 10am
Sun 11.30am Josie Donohoe (1st Anniv)
Tues 9.30am Sr. Eleanore (Recently Deceased)
Wed 9.30am Thomas Palatty
Thurs 9.30am Special Intention
Fri 9.30am Mary Chacko

We also remember Willie and Monica Brennan, Breeda & Jimmie Conway.

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm

Sun 10am Jonny Antony

Sun 11.30am Anne Kenny

Please note there will be no 9.30am Mass

On Monday 5th Feb

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

Sunday Collection

Sunday 14th January the collection amounted to €1189

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

February Dates to Remember

Feb 3rd The Feast of St. Blaise:

There will be blessing of the throats after the 7.30pm Mass.

Fri Feb 9th Confirmation Day

Sun Feb 11th World Day of Prayer for the Sick

Wed Feb 14th Ash Wednesday:

Mass at 9.30 am with Blessing and Distribution of Ashes

Kilquhan Drama Group present "Separate Beds" by Sam Cree. Comedy in Three Acts in Coon Hall (Eir-Code R93 EC89) on 2nd to 4th February, 2024 and on 10th and 11th February, 2024 at 8.00 pm nightly. Admission €10.

Mass Times

Mon-Fri 9.30am 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)

Study Theology Online, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before February 14th Find out more on our website, prioryinstitute.com

Preparation for Marriage Courses 2024

Grásta Preparation for Marriage Courses consist of a residential weekend course, away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, for couples to focus on their relationship and what is important for them as a couple planning their married life together. Weekend residential courses available. 26th - 28th April and 20th - 22nd September. www.grasta.org or by email at info@grasta.or

Sacrament of Confirmation

The Children of St. Canice's Co- Ed School will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 9th February. We will welcome Bishop Niall Coll to officiate on the day. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord

Recently, as you know, I have been travelling to Dublin for treatment and I have been using the train. Thanks to a famous Taoiseach named CJH we pensioners are able to enjoy the free travel. It is a most pleasant means of transport and I am able to hide away in my own world to read, pray, or listen to music. A great Dublin Novelist, Maeve Binchy, regularly listened in to people's conversations and watched their faces. She invented stories from the signs of joy or sorrow she saw etched on their visages.

These days on the train I am enjoying looking at people's faces. There are some people who show the signs of worry or stress and I pray for them. Others are very content and composed – at peace with themselves and the world. May they be able to share their peace with everyone they meet. It is great to see all the young people travelling to college in Carlow or in Dublin. I reminisce – "Wonderful is the life of a student" - "Aoibhinn beatha an scoláire" as the Irish poet said.

There is a line from the psalm – "Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord." How does the Lord look on us? Surely He rejoices in loving us and calling us by name.

As we rejoice at the coming of Spring, the magnificence of the snowdrops and daffodils, may we recognize the wonder of God's creation and these opportunities to see the beauty of his face.

Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord – **Fr. Jim**

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