

ST CANICE'S PARISH

Sunday 31st March 2024

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Anna Marie Quinn, Cappoquin, Waterford (Sister of Pat Foley, Granges Rd)
Tom Foley, Freshford and Parliament Street

Anniversaries

Sun 10am Josie Cummins

Sun 11.30am Willie Pratt

We also remember Annie and Dick Burke, Nuala Cummins, Bridget Duffy, Lil Morris,
Nicholas Parker, The Slattery Family

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Jimmy Dunphy, Joyce and Larry Britton, Mick Maher

Sun 10am Sean Dignan

Sun 11.30am Margaret Phelan, Anne and David Haslam

**Please note there will be no 9.30am Mass from Monday 1st April to Fri 5th April
On Easter Monday 1st April**

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

Sunday Collection

Sunday 24th March the collection amounted to €1325

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

Kilkenny Pilgrimage to Medjugorje Wed 1st May to 8th May

Hotel near Church. Travelling with Marian Pilgrimages. Cost €825 including insurance.
Contact Ann 0861991620 or 0868825622

Conversations with Women in the Bible

This Conference will be on 11th May 2024 at The **Pembroke Hotel, Patrick Street, Kilkenny** The speaker: **Thérèse Fitzgerald** Times: **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 Monday to Friday or e-mail regionaloffice@ssjg.ie **before May 7th.**

Reconstituted Ossory Diocesan Pastoral Council ODPC

In July 2023 Bishop Niall established a working group to consider the form of Diocesan Pastoral Council that would best serve the Diocese at this time. The group met several times and consulted widely with other dioceses and pastoral advisers as to best practice. The group submitted proposals to Bishop Niall at the end of August. Taking these proposals into account, Bishop Niall has appointed the following as members of the new ODPC: Bishop Niall Coll, Frs. Dan Carroll, Dan Bollard, Martin Delaney, Ms. Ann Daly, Ms. Sarah Rice, Ms. Brid Duffy, Mr. Diarmuid Healy, Mr. John Shortall, Ms. Gemma Mulligan, Sr. Helen Maher. Sarah Rice accepted the role of Chairperson. The first meeting of the new ODPC took place on 19th January.

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)

American Concert Recital

A Concert recital by two USA Choirs from Hartford High School and North Country Union High School will take place at St Mary's Cathedral on Mon 8th April at 7.30pm, All welcome

Photos of St. Canice's' Church

St. Canice's Church is 200 years old this year and we need your help!

We are looking for any old photos of the Church inside and outside that you may have. So please dig out the old photo albums and boxes and see what you can find. All photos will be treated with the utmost care and will be returned to the owners. Photos may be dropped into the Parish Centre or placed in the secure letterbox in the Church Porch. Please put them in an envelope marked with your name, address and phone number. Thank you.

Ossory Times

The latest edition of the Ossory Times is available at all Masses this weekend. This publication is a diocesan magazine to help highlight some of many activities and faith events that take place in our parishes and Diocese. There are also, as always, short articles on our different aspects faith helping us deepen our knowledge of what we believe and different aspects of the life of the Church.

Easter Blessings

What a difference it makes when the sun shines. It lights up our world and cheers our hearts. My thoughts are with the farmers who have not been able to let out the cattle after their winter housing in sheds due to the saturated fields. Our prayers are with them. The crops have yet to be sown and it is a very serious situation.

Please God the Spring will come with warmer temperatures and longer days to help us to till the soil and plant the seeds.

Easter is the celebration of Life - the wonderful news which the disciples received after their traumatic experience of Jesus' painful suffering and death. The Risen Lord is our hope. The feast of Easter is the feast of life. All those to whom the Risen Lord appears are sent out as messengers of Easter hope and joy, as agents of new life.

We are faithful to that Easter calling when we help others to make a fresh start, when we encourage and support one another to be agents of God's life- giving work in our world. May we all be signs of hope, encouragement and love in our lives.

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. **Happy Easter – Fr. Jim**

Happy Easter to all our Parishioners

The Parish Centre will be closed for Easter Week and will reopen on Mon 8th April 2024

Fr. Jim 087 2609545 / 056 7721534 Parish Centre 056 7721533

Secretary: Ms Mgt Logue – Sacristan: Ailish Brennan c/o Parish Centre

Safeguarding Reps: Caroline Cummins and Edmond Nolan c/o The Parish Centre