

ST CANICE'S PARISH

10th January 2021

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Bridie (Cath) Duff nee Burke, London, formerly of Thomas Square

Anniversaries

Sun 10am Catherine Carew (1st Anniv)
Maura and Denis Molloy
M.J.Mathew

Mon 9.15am Maureen Murphy, Anne and Con Spain

Tues 9.15am Jimmy Haide

Wed 9.15am Frances Reid (funeral in Scotland)

Thurs 9.15am Brian O'Shea

We also remember:

Michael Craddock, Baby Beth Gallagher, Billy Hickey.

Next Weekend

Sun 10am Maura Clifford (1st Anniv)
Maura Dore
Carmel Maher

Funerals

A maximum of 10 people are allowed to attend funeral ceremonies.

We ask people to strictly adhere to this number and to continue with social distancing to safeguard ourselves and one another.

Please use hand sanitiser before entering the church

Face Masks. Face coverings must be worn at all religious ceremonies.

Thanks to all who have contributed to the weekly offering via our new online Donate facility. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Mass Intentions and Anniversaries may be emailed to jimmurphy@ossory.ie or by phone/text to Fr. Jim on 087 2609545

Letterbox in Church Porch

As we cannot have a letterbox in the Parish Centre door, we now have a secure letterbox in the door on the left hand side inside the Church Porch. If you wish, you may place any Envelopes, Mass Intentions or notices for newsletter in this letterbox.

COVID-19 Support Line for Older People

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm by calling **0818 222 024**, and will remain open over the Christmas period.

Donate Button

We now have a "Donate" facility on our Parish Website. This can be used for all Collections and Donations to the Parish. It is very user friendly. Just click on the Donate button, choose which collection you are contributing to and the amount you wish to give. This can be a once off donation or a regular payment. Thank you for your continued generosity

Mass Schedule from 10th January 2021

The **10am Mass** on Sundays and the daily Masses (**Mon-Sat 9.15am**) are now being celebrated in the church behind closed doors.

You can watch the Masses on the Parish Webcam www.stcanicesparish.ie or hear them 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)

Seeing your Life through the Lens of the Gospel.

1. **John gives an example** of humility as a person confident in his own role but not seeking to claim to be more than he is. He acknowledges that Jesus is greater. There is a freedom in being able to acknowledge the gifts of others without losing a sense of one's own giftedness. Recall times when we you were able to do this
2. **The Baptism of Jesus** was an extraordinary religious experience for him. Something happened that was a major step forward for Jesus in coming to know that he was the Beloved Son of God. We all have events in our lives that are milestones along the road of discovering who we are. What have been these milestones for you?
3. **"You are my Son, the Beloved;** with you I am well pleased." Bring to mind experiences in which you knew you were the beloved (of God or of another person) and that the one who loved you was well pleased. Remember these experiences with gratitude, knowing that the only proper response to love received is thankfulness. Perhaps you have also given this experience to another
4. **It is easy to lament** the growing secularization in the world today, but the Spirit of God who spoke loudly to the world in the Christ-event is active today. How can we be open to the new things the Spirit is saying to the Church today?

New Year 2021

I wish you all health and a time of hope in this extraordinary New Year. This morning (Friday) the sky was so clear and the dawn broke over our city, glistening in the frost. Somehow I feel more energetic in this frosty weather. The dogs are enjoying regular long walks. It is good to be well, thanks be to God. Our prayers are with all who are ill and struggling with COVID. Lord bless them and the nurses and medical people looking after them. Like the bright new dawn today, we will have brighter days in the near future. The days will be getting longer and the daffodils will again herald the Spring. Let us look forward with hope.

We wish our Bishop, Dr Dermot Farrell every blessing in his new calling as Archbishop of Dublin. Bishop Farrell has served the diocese of Ossory, people and priests, with great generosity and enthusiasm. He has been a kind, approachable and caring shepherd. We are so grateful, Bishop Dermot, and we wish you energy and strength, wisdom and good health as you take on such a daunting task.

Tanti auguri - Best Wishes – **Fr Jim**

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