

ST CANICE'S PARISH

28TH MARCH 2021 - PALM SUNDAY

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Anne Manley, McDonagh St

Anniversaries

Sun 10am Jimmy Dunphy, Sean Dignan

Next Weekend

Sun 10am Mick Maher, Sean Murphy

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

Donate Button

Thanks to all who are contributing to the weekly offering and to the Parish via our new online Donate facility. This facility 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. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Holy Week at St. Canices

Tues 7pm Holy Hour will be a Penitential Service

Holy Thurs: Mass of the Last Supper 7.30pm

**Good Friday: Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3pm
Stations of the Cross 7.30pm**

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil 7.30pm

Easter Sunday: Mass at 10am

Please note, there will be no morning mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or Easter Saturday

Easter Water will be blessed at the Easter Vigil and will be available at the rear of the Church

Society of St Vincent de Paul - St Canice's Parish

With the Pandemic the Society's normal fundraising activity has been badly impacted over the past year. However, thankfully many are using new ways to contribute and the Society is most grateful to those who have done so, including Standing Orders. If you wish to donate there are two Options.

Option 1 Cash /Cheque Donations. People can continue to donate by cash or cheque to SVP. Please put your donation in an envelope, Mark it 'SVP Donation' and leave it to Parish Office or the SVP Shop located at Butts Green.

Option 2 Direct Bank transfer to-Bank Name – Bank of Ireland, Kilkenny
Account name – St Canice's Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul
IBAN – IE03BOFI90604810931829 Account Number – 10931829.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity to SVP in these difficult times

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)

Diocesan Mass of Chrism will be live streamed from St Marys Cathedral on Spy Wednesday 31st March at 7.30pm www.stmaryscathedral.ie

Holy Week 2021

Little did we think that we would still be in lockdown and have to celebrate Holy Week virtually again this year.

Holy Week is the most sacred and important week in the lives of Christians. May I invite you to enter into the spirit of Holy Week by taking time to pray and appreciate the goodness and grandeur of God in the life of Jesus.

A few years ago, I had the joy of seeing the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels, in downtown Los Angeles. The artist John Nava has crafted an amazing series of 37 tapestries which hang and adorn the walls of the Cathedral. You may view them on a documentary film called "Divining the Human" He has taken the people he has met as subjects for his artistic pieces. So Mary Magdalen and the Saints are members of the parish. It is beautiful. I am reminded of this as I reflect on Holy Week. We could fall into the danger of taking this whole experience of Jesus for granted because of being too familiar with the story. May I suggest that you place yourself and those you love into the scenes. We all have had experience of pain and rejection, confusion and uncertainty. Things must have appeared hopeless for Jesus. He was abandoned and alone, almost losing faith in God and humans. Think of the lovely people he met - the lady who wiped his face and comforted him – Veronica, Simon who lifted the cross to share his burden, His mother, Mary who was heartbroken, the thief who was sympathetic towards him.

Let us remember the caring people we have met in our times of pain or difficulty. No matter how hopeless or bleak our situation may appear, let us open our hearts to the loving God and Father who was faithful to Jesus and who crowned him with new life. The Stations of the Cross will give you an opportunity to journey along the painful way with Jesus as we reflect on our lives in these painful times of lockdown and covid.- **Fr Jim**

**Palm Sunday 28th March – Palms will be available at the rear of the Church
-Come and get them**

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