ST CANICE'S PARISH

25TH APRIL 2021 – VOCATION SUNDAY

Praying for those who have died Recently Deceased

Nancy Hennessy (nee Purcell) Patrick St

Anniversaries

Sun 10am Michael O'Grady (1st Anniv), Catherine Whelan Hickey (1st Anniv), Bridie Donegan Fri 9.15am Mary Kate and John McMahon

We also remember

Mary and Jack Brennan, Mary Crotty, John Doheny, Orla Lawlor, James Morris

Next Weekend

Sun 10am Philip Cass (1st Anniv) Con Murphy

Funerals

From Mon 26th April, a maximum of 25 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 and wear face coverings

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.

Diocese Of Ossory Prayer For Vocations To Priesthood

Lord Jesus we believe that you continue to scatter the seeds of vocation in the hearts of young people today. Help us to nourish those seeds with encouragement and support so that they will take root, grow, & bear fruit.

Give to all who are called the courage they need to take a first step on a journey of discovery which will lead them to that place where they will encounter you Lord & discern the road you invite them to follow.

Lord fill young hearts with a spirit of loving service, care and respect for themselves and others. Provide your Church in Ossory with humble shepherds who will work with their Sisters and Brothers in a spirit of co- responsibility for your Church. Amen

Mary Mother of Vocations, Pray with us for Vocations

St Kieran, pray with us for Vocations St Canice, pray with us for Vocations St Feargal, pray with us for Vocations St Fiacra, pray with us for Vocations All saints of Ossory, pray with us for Vocations

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 <u>www.stcanicesparish.ie</u> 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)

The Catholic Communications Office has been contacted by the HSE with the following reminder message for everyone aged over 60 years to register for their vaccine. **Reminder for everyone aged 60 and over to register for their vaccine** We would like to remind everyone aged **65-69** to register for their COVID-19 vaccine through the HSE's online registration system or on the phone with HSELive. Following the success of the online registration for people aged **65-69**; we are inviting those aged **60-64** to register from Friday 23 April. However, before we do, we want to remind those aged **65-69** who have yet to register to do so as soon as possible. Everyone in this age group is now eligible to register.

Family Carers Ireland in partnership with An Garda Síochána, the National Ambulance Service Community First Responder Schemes, The Irish Red Cross and The Order of Malta has developed an **Emergency Card Scheme** for family carers. When a family carer has an unplanned hospital admission there is a risk that the person who needs their care and support could be left at home alone and uncared for. The **Emergency Card Scheme** is intended to give peace of mind to family carers as well as ensuring that the person they care for remains safe in such emergencies. For more details on the scheme, visit our website on <u>www.familycarers.ie</u> or call our Freephone Careline 1800 24 07 24

God has a plan for everyone

It was in English class that the subject of the future came up. The essay being read with the guidance of a fine teacher was by Robert Louis Stephenson. That noble Scot wrote about the fear of living and the fear of dying. He proposed an ideal: 'I would prefer to waste my life like a spendthrift rather than keep it like a miser.' In order to live your one and only existence, you need a

worthy ideal.

An insight struck Thomas, one of the class: whatever I'm going to do should be a way of living for a great ideal. Anything less is not worthy of our human dignity: we only go through once. During the following months, Thomas applied the principle to various pathways and vocations. They included teaching, air piloting, veterinary, medicine and the priesthood.

For Thomas the clock stopped at the Priesthood.

That is a true story. I know it: I am that Priest - Tom Norris.