ST CANICE'S PARISH

27TH JUNE 2021

Praying for those who have died Recently Deceased

Annie Saunders, Laurel Avenue, Loughboy

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Hannah and Martin Mulhall Sun 10am Pauline Hackett (1st Anniv) Mon 9.15am Healing Mass (Special Intention)

Thurs 9.15am Special Intention Fri 9.15am Special Intention

We also remember

Brid, Tommy and Jimmy Grace, Lily Grace, William Maher, Bridget Marrinan, Mgt (Peg) Murphy, Josephine and Paul Ryan

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Kitty Phelan (1st Anniv)

Sun 11.30am Thomas Massey and his sons Peter and Michael

Please Note for the Months of June and July, The 9.15am Mass will be on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. On Tuesdays and Wednesdays, we will have Liturgy of the Word with Distribution of the Eucharist.

Sunday Collection

People have been asking why we aren't taking up collections at Mass. As we cannot currently pass around the collection bags, there is a box in the porch where you can put your offerings. We also have the **Donate** button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online. Last Sunday's collection amounted to €482.

Thank you for your generosity.

Don't be afraid of the box in the porch!

A gentle reminder

It's lovely to see so many people returning to Mass. We welcome you all particularly those who are returning for the first time since March 2020. This is just a gentle reminder to people that we still need to observe the government guidelines and protocols to protect ourselves and each other.....

Facemasks must be worn at all Masses and ceremonies Please use hand sanitizer before entering the Church Please observe social distancing both inside and outside the Church Communion will be given in the hand only

For Communion, we have a one way system- (up the centre aisle and down the side). The people in the side aisles should come up first, followed by the people in the centre aisle.

Please allow for social distancing and follow the directions of the Stewards.

<u>Lough Derg 2021</u>:Lough Derg will again offer the opportunity to "<u>Do Lough</u> <u>Derg from wherever you are</u>" on 3rd – 5th July. The outdoor <u>Pilgrimage on the</u> <u>Lough Shore Pilgrim Path</u> will also be available as the summer goes on. Further information from Lough Derg office 0(0353) 71 9861518 or<u>www.loughderg.org</u>

Mass Schedule from Mon 3rd June

Mon, Thurs Fri 9.15am, Sat Vigil Mass 7.30pm, Sun 10am and 11.30am Tues, Wed 9.15am – Liturgy of the Word and Distribution of the Eucharist. The numbers attending Mass will be restricted to 50 for the moment so we ask those of you who are vulnerable or who don't feel ready to return just yet, to continue joining us via webcam or radio. 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. Canices on Community Radio Kilkenny City (88.7fm).

The Stewards

Our stewards are there to help keep us safe. They will remind you to use the sanitizer before entering and to wear a face covering. They will guide you to available seats and advise you when the Church has reached the capacity allowed. (Please be understanding as our numbers are restricted.) They will put chairs outside and the loudspeaker will be on for those who cannot go inside. At Communion they will direct you row by row beginning with the side aisles. The people in the centre aisles should remain seated until the stewards reach you. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to keep our Church a safe place for all. They sanitize the Church after each Mass. We thank them for their commitment and help every weekend

On the Mend

Greetings to you all from the coast! I am in good hands and feel that I have turned the corner. It is a shock to the system not to be able to walk a half mile. When I consider that last November I was walking five miles a day with the dogs out in the woods. I am only grateful for having been so fit for this medical procedure which has me learning to exercise again little by little. Patience is a virtue I was not greatly endowed with and I am learning more each day.

Thanks be to God to be so well and to have got this far.

My many thanks for all your prayers and get well wishes. I am so appreciative of your goodness and kindness. The prayer I am growing more accustomed to each day is the prayer of silence. I sit and look out on the sea and am aware of the Presence of the God who made us. Wonder and Awe in God's presence. May He look kindly upon us all and especially on all of you who suffer pain of any kind or who don't feel well.

Thanks to Fr Tom, Sr Concepta, the girls in the office, Margaret and Caroline, and Ailish in the sacristy, and all who are keeping things afloat.

We hope the teachers and schoolchildren have enjoyable and happy holidays.

"Summertime when the living is easy,

the fish are jumping and the cotton is high." - Pax.Fr. Jim