

ST CANICE'S PARISH

25TH JULY 2021

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Patricia (Pat) Wiltshire, New Road

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Desmond Beattie (1st anniv)

Sun 10am Brid White.

Frank Campion

Sun 11.3 am Michael and Winifred Manning and their grandsons

Michael Murphy and David Mullins.

Maureen Lyons (Months Mind) Sister of Margaret Walsh, Bishop's Hill

Mon 9.15am Lily Morkan

Thurs 9.15am Josephine Delaney and Michelle Donovan

We also remember

Ann Ahearn, Davy, Jim and Peggy Gaffney, Patrick (Pa) Fahy, Mary Ellen and Jack Tynan

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Michael Walsh

Sun 10am Sam Oakes (Months Mind)

11.30am Michael 'Mock' Lawlor and his son Declan

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

As we cannot currently pass around the collection bags, there is a box in the porch where you may 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 €497. Thank you for your generosity.

A Gentle Reminder

As the case numbers are rising again, due to the Delta variant, 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.

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.

The people in the centre aisle should remain seated until the stewards reach you. Please allow for social distancing and follow the directions of the Stewards. Communion will be given in the hand only. Please take your copy of the newsletter home with you.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation as we work to keep our Church a safe place for all.

The Annual Camino Jenkinstown walk will take place this Sunday, July 25th (Feast of St. James) beginning at Jenkinstown Church Car Park at 2.30 pm. This is to coincide with the Jubilee celebrations in St. James Cathedral Santiago De Compostella. All Covid 19 protocols to be adhered to.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Sunday 25 July 2021

Pope Francis has established a World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will take place for the first time this Sunday on the theme 'I am with you always' (Mt 28:20).

Bishop Denis Nulty has welcomed this day as a timely reminder for the whole Church to be close to all the elderly and grandparents at this time of pandemic. Bishop Nulty said, "There have been so many unsung heroes and heroines during the pandemic – grandparents and elders, including our older priests and religious – all who are to be applauded for how they have coped with the challenges and uncertainty brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic. Throughout his papacy Pope Francis has reminded us to value the many gifts of grandparents and the elderly. In his theme chosen for this inaugural year *I am with you always*, the Holy Father is highlighting that promise of closeness that generations share with each other. Not only are our young people called to be present in the lives of older people, but so too grandparents and elders have a mission to encourage young people on their faith journey.

Pope Francis assures us that he has been close to all those who have felt isolated and alone in recent months and that, even at the darkest of moments, the Lord continues to send angels to console our loneliness and to remind us that 'He is with us always'. Pope Francis tells us that these angels sent to console us will at times have the face of our grandchildren, while at other times, the face of family members, lifelong friends or those we have come to know during these trying times, when we have learned how important hugs and visits are for each of us."

Let us all remember our Grandparents and the Elderly both living and deceased in a special way today

Prayer for the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence: even in times of loneliness, You are my hope and my confidence, You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!

I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life.

I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty, for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace,

teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations. Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church, that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.

Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended. Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me, in the certainty that you are with me every day, even until the end of the age. Amen.

National Heritage Week will take place from 14th -22nd August and we encourage all community groups to showcase their work for Heritage Week. To find out more see www.heritageweek.ie or contact the Heritage Office, at heritage@kilkennycoco.ie

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