

ST CANICE'S PARISH

30TH JANUARY 2022

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Tommie Hickey, Riverside Drive
Joe Doherty, Assumption Place
Sr. Maura Drea, Loreto Convent
Marian Hill, Cork

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Tomás Hackett
Sun 10am Majella Meany
Sun 11.30am Kay McEvoy (Months Mind)
Mon 9.15am Eileen O'Neill
Wed 9.15am Eileen Purcell (Months Mind)
Thurs 9.15am Conor O'Brien

We also remember Peg and Kerr Bambrick, William Burke, Patrick Byrne, Catherine Cuddihy, Ann and Nancy Culleton, Kathleen Daly, Kathleen and Martin Doran, Adrian Freezy, Maura Gaffney, Annie and Kieran Kelly, Chris Lenehan, Ger Maher, Annie Moynihan, Tom Piert, Fr. Canice Treacy

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Pauline Kenny, Kathleen and Frank Glennon
Sun 10am Paddy Moynihan (Months Mind)
11.30am Jim Byrne (Months Mind)

Sunday Collection

As we cannot currently pass around the collection bags during Masses, 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. The collection last Sunday amounted to € 565 Thank you for your generosity.

Keeping Our Distance

While we welcome the lifting of restrictions, we have to be mindful of the more vulnerable among us who might be feeling anxious about attending Mass. As we get used to the new normal, we ask you to continue to protect yourselves and each other. You can do so by:

Keeping your distance...leaving a space between you and a person from a different household

Wearing a facemask at all Church ceremonies

Using the hand sanitizer before entering the Church

Taking your copy of the newsletter home with you

Following the one system for Communion, (up the centre aisle and down the sides) The Stewards will guide you.

Communion will be given in the hand only

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

The Annual St. Brigid's Day service will take place on Tuesday, February 1st in St Fiacre's Church Loughboy at 7.30 pm. Water from the well of St. Brigid in Kildare and blessed red flannel will be available on the night. Music ministry by the Kilkenny Gospel Choir. All welcome

February Dates to Remember

Feb 1st The Feast of St Bridget. There will be a special Blessing and prayer cards will be distributed after 9.15am Mass.

Feb 2nd Candlemas Day- Candles will be blessed at the 9.15am Mass

Feb 3rd The Feast of St. Blaise. There will be blessing of the throats after the 9.15am Mass.

Fri Feb 11th World Day of Prayer for the Sick.

To mark this day, The Blessing of the Sick/Anointing will be administered after the 9.15am Mass. The First Friday visits to the homebound will be made on Fri 11th instead of Fri 4th and the Blessing of the Sick/Anointing will be available to those who wish to receive it. If anyone who cannot come to Mass and who does not receive a First Friday visit would like to receive the Blessing/Anointing, please give their details to Fr Jim or Fr Tom or to the Parish Centre.

Pilgrimage to The Holy Land

An eight day pilgrimage to the Holy Land takes place from 16th to 24th February 2022. Led by Fr. John Carroll (Ferns Diocese), there are still a small number of places available. The pilgrimage will visit Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jerusalem and other sites in the Holy Land associated with Jesus. Price is €1725. To reserve your place, please call Marian Pilgrimages on 01-8788159 or email info@marian.ie

Living Life to the Full

This week we have been celebrating Catholic Schools Week. The Theme **“Living Life to the Full”** comes from St. John’s Gospel 10:10 when Jesus says “I have come so that you may have life, and have it to the full! The daily themes were

Living Life to the Full with God

Living Life to the full together

Celebrating being together again

Living life in Wonder and Awe

Living life and facing the future

As we adapt to the many challenges and changes that the Covid-19 pandemic has caused, we are given the opportunity to reflect on the things that give our lives meaning. For some it is family, friends, community sports or hobbies. For Catholics, it is God’s love and wish for us to know and love him that gives life ultimate meaning. Jesus Christ is the revelation of this love, realized through his life, death and Resurrection. In response to this, we reflect on how Catholic schools are communities where we live life to the full.

Every Catholic School fosters the holistic development of its students, promotes their wellbeing and encourages them to learn and nurture their skills and talent.

Each child has the potential to change the world for the better, making it a kinder, more inclusive and more welcoming place.

During the week a few past pupils from St. Canice’s who are now students at St. Kieran’s College came to share in the Religion lessons.

Next Tuesday, the Feast of St Bridget, our 6th class pupils will join us for the 9.15am Mass and will celebrate with songs, readings and Prayers of the Faithful.

Lord, help us to live like you taught us to.

Bless the Parents, Teachers and Pupils in our school. May they be blessed with the gifts of kindness and compassion so as to encourage and enable each one of us to grow. - **Fr Jim**

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