ST CANICE'S PARISH

6TH FEBRUARY 2022

Praying for those who have died Recently Deceased

Noel Gavin, Troyscourt and Dublin Thomas P. Crotty, Carlow and Kilkenny Fr John Condon, Templeorum Ian Kennedy, McAuley Place and late of Banim Tce Collette Cooke Barry, Callan

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pmPauline Kenny, Kathleen and Frank GlennonSun 10amPaddy Moynihan (Months Mind)Sun 11.30amJim Byrne (Months Mind)Mon 9.15amThomas PalatyWed 9.15amJohn, Josephine and Joan PhelanThurs 9.15amJohny AntonyWe also rememberMarie Beale, William and Monica Brennan The Sycamores, Martin Browne,Brendan Doheny, Martin Doheny, Joan Kerwick, Gretta LangtonNext WeekendSat 7.30pmCelia RafterSun 10amMadeline , John and Peadar HylandSun 11.30amAnn Kenny (7th Anniv) and Jerry Dunne (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 \notin 560 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

Join in prayer for *Men's Rosary* on Saturday, 5th March 2022 at 1.00 p.m. at the statue of Our Lady, James's Green. Further Info Contact Ron at 0866696632 or Paul at 0873650492 **The Dandelion Counselling Service, Newpark Close Family Resource Centre** offers low cost Counselling, Child/Play/Art/ Therapies: Family Support, Bereavement, Abuse, Relationships, Loss, Sexuality, Life Changes, Depression, Anxiety, Addiction/Recovery, Stress. It's a confidential and affordable service Call 087-3970-33 for appointments.

Synod 2021 - 2023: Pope Francis wants to hear you and so do we. All our voices make the Parish.

Pope Francis put the word out last October announcing a Synod for all the people of God and he wants to hear what you have to say. He has invited us to walk together as people of God in what is called Synodality. On this Synodal pathway, we are invited to respond to two questions:

When you think about Church and your experience, what brings you joy?
When you think about Church and your experience, what brings you sadness or disappointment? From these questions more will emerge.

Put simply, this Synodal journey is about listening to each other. All our voices make the parish and if we listen carefully to each other, we believe we will hear what the Holy Spirit wants us to hear at this time. Conversations will take place in every parish of our Diocese, online through our website <u>www.ossory.ie</u> and in as many groups and places possible because every voice counts. Our Synodal journey will take place during a 'Listening Lent' in March and April and everyone is invited to take part, tell others about the Good News and share God's life with God and each other.

Everyone is invited, so let's all be part of our listening journey for a Synodal Church.Stay tuned here as we embark on this exciting journey together and for now, more information is available at <u>www.ossory.ie</u> and <u>www.synod.ie</u>

First Phase (February – March)

In these months we will create awareness of Synod/synodality throughout the Diocese.

Second Phase Lent (March, April)

During our "Listening Lent" we will have consultation sessions in all our parishes and Pastoral Areas to ensure that the voices of all in Ossory all are heard.

Third Phase (April, May)

During Easter the Synod Group will collate all these responses (what has been heard) to share with the Bishop and each other.

St Vincent De Paul St Canice's Parish – Summary 2021

Total Income for those in need \notin 41,136. Total Expenditure - \notin 39,360. Income from Church Gate Collections - \notin 8528, Donations and Standing Orders - \notin 32,879. Donations and Stranding Orders are now a key part of our funds and we thank the many new donors as well as those with us from year to year.

Main Items of Expenditure: \pounds 20,686 towards helping families and individuals through short term difficulties. \pounds 10.942 –supporting students through 3rd level education, \pounds 5,150 helping people with fuel costs at expensive times of the year.

The Society also distributed 330 food hampers kindly donated by Loreto Secondary School and St. Canice's National School. Pre pandemic our shop in Butts Green has been a key source of funds for all of our city Conferences. We thank our Shop Volunteers, Shop Manager and the many people who so generously donate goods to us. Our premises is badly in need of essential repairs and upgrade, we hope to do this in the current year. The recent sale of our Lord Edward St .premises to Kilkenny Co Council has enabled this work to be done, together with some fundraising specifically for this project. The Members of the Society wish to thank most sincerely all who helped them in their work during a difficult 2021 for everyone; they cannot do what they do without your unfailing support.

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