

ST CANICE'S PARISH

12TH JUNE 2022

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Mags Kelly nee Morris, formerly of Fr Albert Place

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Martin Morrissey (1st Anniv)

Sun 10am Rose Ryan

Joe and Monica McGloine

Sun 11.30am Frank O'Dwyer

We also remember Mary, Catherine and Michael Delaney, Mary Dermody, Joe Heffernan,

Paddy Howard, Patsy Lacey, Jim Maher, Mick Moore, Paddy Shanley

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Margaret Walsh (Months Mind)

Sun 10am Sean Collins (Months Mind)

Sun 11.30am Donal and Mary O'Brien (nee Brett)

Sunday Collection

In order to protect everybody the collection bags have a long pole attached to enable the collectors to reach into the pew without the need to pass the bags from one person to another. We also have the **Donate** button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

The collection last Sunday amounted to €914 Thank you for your generosity..

Prayer Group in Troyscourt beginning Monday 13th June at 7.30pm

All welcome

Kilkenny Bereavement Support is a voluntary organisation offering a free listening service to the bereaved since 1989. Our work has greatly increased since the lifting of Covid restrictions with the result that we now need to train a new group of volunteers. A training skills programme will be offered in September/October. For an application form please phone 056 7756538 or visit www.kilkennybereavementsupport.com

Cemetery Masses

The Mass at St. Kieran's Cemetery will be celebrated at 7.30pm on Fri 24th June.

The Mass at Thornback cemetery will be celebrated on Fri 1st July at 7.30pm

The Mass at Foulkstown Cemetery will be held at 7.30pm on Thurs 28th July.

Please inform relatives and friends.

Mass Times

Mon-Fri 9.15am Sat Vigil Mass 7.30pm- Sun 10am and 11.30am

All Masses are livestreamed on the Parish Webcam www.stcanicesparish.ie and broadcast 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)

**Congratulations to Fr Jim on his Golden Jubilee from all
at St. Canice's Parish**

Glory to God

1. Imagine my surprise when on Friday morning, I opened the readings for the Mass. It was from Kings 19: 1-14 describing Elijah's encounter with God. The very reading I chose for the Mass of Thanksgiving, weeks ago! Definitely there is a power at work in our lives which is surprising us.
2. Sr. Helen Maher who read the reading once met me in Buea, Cameroon and in her surprise and amazement asked me the same question that God asked Elijah "What in the name of God, are you doing here, Jim Murphy?" I often ask myself that question. I am seeking the presence of the Lord.
3. The Lord is to be found not in the frantic storm or earthquake or the fire, but in the sound of a gentle breeze. When I reflect on my time here in St. Canice's, the Lord is to be found in simple ordinary events – like the day someone took my photo with Mikey McGrath (Gangster!) on the seat outside the butchers. Or he is to be found in the faithfulness of the choirs and the musicians we listen to every week. Look at the beautiful lawn and garden at the Church lovingly cared for by Mick Kelly. God is to be found in the generosity of all who helped in the renovation of our beautiful Church and the Gift of the Parish Centre. The gentle breeze can hardly be noticed but it is there every day in the care of the elderly in Troyscourt, in the Community Action of the Fr. McGrath Centre, in the meals on wheels, in the cleaning of the church, in the decoration with flowers, in the work of the Parish Council and the Parish Committees. In celebrating God's goodness to me in 50 years, I wish to give thanks to all of you, the Parishioners of St. Canice's, my family and friends who inspire and encourage me to recognize the goodness of the Lord here in our midst, in our Community.
4. So many people have inspired me here by their faithfulness and support. Thanks to the school teachers and pupils. I wish Marie Comerford a healthy and happy retirement. Thanks to a dear friend who has looked after the school accounts for these 18 years voluntarily. CBS Kilkenny is a very special place. I am so appreciative of the friendship and cooperation of the teachers and "scholars" Thanks to my colleague Fr. Tom and the clergy colleagues for their friendship and encouragement. Thanks to Mags and Caroline in the office for making everyone feel welcome; - the two most colourful flowers in the garden! I appreciate Sr. Concepta's gentle ministry to the sick and housebound. This has been an amazing adventure. Thanks to all of you for your kindness and love. Let us celebrate God's presence and His power at work in the simple and little things in our lives. We will plant a tree to remind us of our time together with a seat to appreciate the gentle breeze.
Glory to Him whose power working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine, glory be to Him from generation to generation in the Church and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen (Ephesians 3: 20- 21)
Thank you to Bishop Denis Nulty for all his energy, interest and care for us here in Ossory and for celebrating with us this evening, and to Msgr. Dan Cavanagh for his kind and inspiring words

– Fr Jim