ST CANICE'S PARISH

15th January, 2023

Praying for those who have died Recently Deceased

Brian O'Callaghan, Talbot's Inch James 'Mo' Quigley, Rioch St

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Joe Slattery (1st Anniv) Anne Brennan (1st Anniv) Sun 10am Kevin Dowling Paddy Brannigan, Catherine Ryan Carew

Sun 11.20am Maura Clifford. Carmel Maher

Tues 9.15am MJ Mathew Wed 9.15am Mary Leahy Thurs 9.15am Jimmy Haide Fri 9.15am Liam Bolger

We also remember Jim Cashin, Catherine and Michael Delaney, Margaret and Paddy Doran, Peg and Jim Grace, Billy Hickey, Tom Knox, Mary Lynam, Kathleen Lynam, Maureen Murphy, Tom Phelan, Mairead Ouigley

Next weekend

Sat 7.30pm John and Josephine Phelan and their daughter Joan

Maura Dore

Please Note

There will be no 9.15am Mass on Mon 16th, January There will be a Liturgy of the Word and Communion at this time

Sunday Collections

The collection amounted to €1293. Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

St Vincent De Paul

The January monthly collection for the Society of SVP will be taken up after all Masses next weekend 21^{st} and 22^{nd} Jan. Thank you to all who support our conference.

The Priory Institute

Study Theology, is this for you? The Priory Institute provides online Theology courses to degree level. Attend Saturday lectures in Tallaght or from the comfort of your own home. Register before February 8. Find out more on our website, <u>prioryinstitute.com</u>

Kilkenny Medjugorge Pilgrimage

Wed 17th May – Wed 24th May. Day Flights from Dublin. Accommodation near Church. Early booking €50 discount. Cost: €725 if deposit is paid before 1st Feb, €775 after 1st Feb. For more information on joining the group please contact Ann Fitzpatrick (086)1991620 or (086) 8825622

Kilkenny Arts Festival is inviting people who have migrated to Kilkenny to join us for a Movement, Music & Dance Workshop in John of God N.S. on Tuesdays; 24th January, 7th February & 21st February at 7pm as we build towards a brand new piece for Kilkenny Arts Festival 2023! Adults only. For more information please contact info@kilkennyarts.ie

Bishops of Ossory

From 1884 to 1981 we had only three Bishops of Ossory. Bishop Brownrigg, from Wexford, was Bishop from 1884 to 1928, 44 years. He even outlived his Co-adjutor, Bishop Downey, who was to succeed him but died before him. He was succeeded by Bishop Patrick Collier, a native of Camross in the Slieve Blooms. He was Bishop from 1928 until 1962. In turn, he was succeeded by Bishop Peter Birch, a native of Conahy. Bishop Birch attended the second Vatican Council. He died suddenly on 7th March 1981. Bishop Laurence Forristal, a native of Thomastown and an auxiliary Bishop in Dublin, became our Bishop to succeed Bishop Birch. Bishop Forristal served as Bishop until 2007. Upon his retirement Bishop Seamus Freeman became our Bishop. A native of Callan, he was a member of a religious congregation called Pallottines. Due to ill health, he retired in 2016. Bishop Dermot Farrell, from Westmeath and a priest of Meath diocese, became Bishop on 11th March 2018. He was appointed Archbishop of Dublin in December 2020. Since then Bishop Denis Nulty, Bishop of the neighbouring Diocese of Kildare and Leighlin, has been the Apostolic Administrator, appointed by Pope Francis to 'keep an eye' on us until a new Bishop is ordained. That will happen on 22nd January when Bishopelect Niall Coll, from the Diocese of Raphoe, a staunch Donegal man, is ordained as our new Bishop. And it all started with Saint Kieran, from Oilean Cleire, off the Cork coast, who came to the kingdom of Ossorv and founded a Church at Seir Kieran.

When you have some time to spare, call to St. Mary's Cathedral and see the list of all the Catholic Bishops of Ossory.

Bishop Elect Niall said, on the day of his appointment, 'I come to Ossory at a time of great challenge to faith, a time when Irish society is increasingly secular and individualistic. The four-century and more long dominance of the Tridentine pattern has left Catholics almost everywhere unfamiliar with and thus unskilled in discerning and negotiating possibilities for change in church life. But, trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit, discern and change we must, in line with Pope Francis' emphasis on the need for 'synodality'. I look forward to working with the priests, people and religious of the diocese of Ossory to enhance the work already underway here to develop a sustaining theological and pastoral vision, one able to invite, inform and enthuse a new generation of Christian witnesses'.

Prayer Service - Bishop-Elect Niall Coll

As we look forward to the ordination of Fr. Niall Coll as our new Bishop on Sunday, 22nd January you are invited to gather to pray for the Bishop in St. Mary's Cathedral on the previous Friday evening, 20th January at 7.30. During the prayer service the Pectoral Cross, the Episcopal Ring, the Mitre and the Crozier, which will be presented to the Bishop during the ordination ceremony, will be blessed. This will be an opportunity for all of us to express our prayerful support and welcome to Bishop Coll.

Priest's Retreat – Ballyvaloo, near Curracloe in Co. Wexford – was conducted by Cardinal Seán Brady who led us by his witness as a joyful humble follower of Jesus. There were 20 priests in all and we were cared for by the kind welcoming Staff and the Sisters of St. John of God. Thank you to those who looked after the liturgies during the week. - Fr Jim

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