

ST CANICE'S PARISH
Sunday 17/11/2024

Praying for those who have died
Recently Deceased

Damien Dowling, Newpark Close
Agnes Hogan, Stephen St
Therese Donagher, McCauley Place

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Deceased Members of Smithwick's Brewery, Ciaran Butler
Sun 10am Nancy Quigley
Sun 11.30am Jaquillin Biju, Claire Treacy, Edward Delehanty, Eileen Conway
Mon 9.30am Liturgy of the Word and Communion
Tues 9.30am Ivor McGoff
Fri 9.30am Tom Haide

We also remember Peter Blanchfield, Michael Craddock, Margaret and Patrick Doran, Catherine and Michael Delaney, Tomy George, Thomas and Joseph Harold, Bridget and Joseph Hogan, Seamus Loughman, Jack McDonald, Tom and Jerry O'Reilly, Biddy Turner, John Turner

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Ann Casey, Rita McMahon,
Sun 10am Jimmy and Margaret Delaney
Sun 11.30am Tom O'Hehir, (Months Mind), Jim Kerwick, Michael Shields, Michael Walsh

Sunday Collection

Sunday 10th Nov the collection amounted to €1728

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 November collection will be taken up after all Masses this weekend 16th and 17th Nov. Your continued support is much appreciated. St Canice's conference can be contacted by calling 086 0721598.

Big Clearance Sale

Friday 22nd November 2024 at St Vincent de Paul Shop from 11 am - 4pm

Furniture and Shop Sale €25 bag sale in St. Canice's Neighbourhood Hall. All welcome.

Sisters of Mary Morning Star Craft Sale

(23rd evening Mass and 24th November at St John's Church, Kilkenny) The sisters are an international community of contemplative nuns based in Waterford City. They rely totally on providence to sustain their contemplative life and for this reason come to sell after Mass their handmade craft work: jam, chutney, candles, rosaries, soap, pottery, CDs, cards, incense and more. A perfect opportunity to find some Christmas gifts! The sisters would love to meet you and receive your prayer intentions. Thank you for your support!

Mass for deceased nurses and midwives will take place on Wednesday 20th November at 10.30am in St. Fiacre's Church, Loughboy Kilkenny. A tea/coffee morning will be held in the adjoining parish centre after Mass.

Online Advent Retreat.

The Priory Institute is delighted to offer a free of charge online retreat

"Keeping Vigil for the Vulnerable God. 'Visit our website prioryinstitute.com for more info

Fr. Jim 087 2609545 / 056 7721534 Parish Centre 056 7721533

ST CANICE'S ANNUAL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The Mass of Remembrance for all our deceased parishioners will be celebrated on Wed 20th Nov. at 7.30pm. We will remember in particular those who died during the year. Their names will be called and a candle will be lit in their memory. If you have a family member who died outside the parish during the year please leave their names at the Parish Centre before Monday 18th Nov and a candle will be prepared for them and their names remembered during the Liturgy. All family members, friends and parishioners are invited to attend.
Sospiro Male Voice Choir under the direction of Sean O'Neill will join us in our prayer.

Afternoon Tea Dance

St Canice's Neighbourhood Hall invites you to our Autumn Afternoon Tea Dance on Wed 20th Nov. 2 – 4.30 pm. Music by Sean Shortis. RSVP please to Jenny on 087 954 6368 jenny.cooke@frmegrathcentre.ie Afternoon Tea dances in the Neighbourhood Hall for the senior members of the community. A Raffle will be held at each event.

Community Consultation Event

A community consultation event was held on Wednesday Nov. 6th in St Canice's Neighbourhood Hall on the Butts Area Regeneration Framework plan. Feedback forms were distributed.. Please return all completed forms to the office at **No 19, Pearse St.** before **Fri 22nd of Nov.** All materials displayed at the event and additional feedback forms are available at **No 19, Pearse St** at the following times for those who were unable to attend. Tuesday - 10.30-2.30, Wednesday - 10.30-2.30 and Friday - 10.30-2.30

South Kilkenny Historical Society lecture

Title: Freightage the River Blackwater, Co. Kilkenny. Speaker: Andrew Doherty
On Friday, November 29th at 8pm in Mullinavat Parish Hall (opposite St. Beacon's Church)

Scoil Aireagail Secondary School Christmas Market

Ballyhale, Co.Kilkenny, R95 AH30 Sun. 1st Dec, 11am to 2 pm. Join us for a festive day filled with music, baking, crafts, and holiday cheer! Discover unique, handmade gifts for your loved ones, delicious treats, and festive tunes to get you in the holiday spirit.
Want to have a free stall? Email info@scoilairagail.ie or call 056 7768632.

Hope

You will notice the sombre tone of the readings this weekend. They are in tune with the weather at this time of year where light is in daily decline and the darkness deepens. Jesus does, however, mention the summer and the fig tree blossoming. How we look forward to the blossoms of Spring. However, we are in the time of Winter and the darkness deepens. Sadly and tragically we are living in times of distress and people suffering as the result of violence. There is an image which remains in my mind of the little child who is a straggler, coming haltingly behind the main group, his mother and family, trying to flee violence with their belongings on a donkey's cart in Gaza. Wouldn't your heart bleed for him or her caught up in the dust and rubble on all sides. What can we do? Yes, we can offer some financial assistance to UNICEF or Trocaire. Our little efforts will bear some fruit; will bring a little light in the darkness.

I hope that the light of Christ will shine in the darkness and that the awful darkness in our world will not overcome it. Christ is our hope and our salvation. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. **Psalm 15**

Lord, look upon all those innocent struggling people walking in the dust in Gaza.

May we give them some glimmer of hope. - **Fr Jim**