

ST CANICE'S PARISH
Sunday 1st June 2025

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

David Drennan, Westfield
Dolores O'Shaughnessy, Gaol St
John Kilroy Bennettsbridge
Paddy Raggett, Castle Gardens
Seanie Massey, Lacken Drive

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Pat Dalton (1st Anniv)
Des and Brenda Crowley
Kimberley McFarlane
Sun 10am Martin and Ann Morrissey, Sam and Anna Oakes, William Oakes and Mary Lalor
Sun 11.30am Sinéad O'Sullivan

Bank Holiday Mon 10am Liturgy of the Word and Communion

Wed 9.30am Special Mass for Exam Students

Thurs 9.30am Helen Clifford
Fri 9.30am Peggy and Dan Lawlor

We also remember Joe and Mollie Bergin, Sonny Craddock, Catherine, Michael and Mary Delaney, Paddy Howard, Denis Jackman, Jimmy McElroy, Paddy Sharkey, Joe and Ellen Waldron

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Willie Walsh (Months Mind) Tom Cunniffe
Sun 10am Liam Phelan, Rose Ryan, Margaret and Thomas Wall
Sun 11.30am Seanie Clifford (Months Mind) Frank O'Dwyer

Sunday Collection

Sunday 25th May the collection amounted to €945

Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online and we now have a Tap to Donate machine in the Church.

Jubilee Year of Hope – Young Adults

Dare to Hope – Conference for Young Adult from the age of 18-35 yrs. –
Knock Shrine – Saturday 14th June 2025 – 9.30 a.m. – 5.30 p.m. This event is for all Young Adults but there will be a special welcome for those who are travelling to Rome for the Jubilee of Youth and will be part of their preparation; however please know that it is open to all Young Adults. Cost: €20 Register via Eventbrite

Freshford Bridge Club will host Open Summer Bridge at Tulla Hall, Threecastles commencing on Mon 8th June, at 7.30 p.m. All bridge players are welcome.

St Patrick's Pontifical University, Maynooth has a range of postgraduate programmes for those interested in Theology, Philosophy, Youth Ministry and more. Visit their website for more details at www.sppu.ie/courses.

Exam Time

Best of luck to all those beginning their exams on Wednesday.
We will have a Special Mass for them on Wednesday morning at 9.30am

Mass Times

Mon-Fri 9.30am, 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 (88.7)

Walk The Longest Day for Teac Tom

Every day can feel like the longest day for someone struggling with their mental health. On 21st June, gather your group, club, or workplace for a 30-minute walk to support Teac Tom. every €10 donated goes to directly funding Teac Tom's vital mental health and suicide prevention services. - To get your group involved, email events.teactom@gmail.com. - Let's walk for hope. Let's walk *The Longest Day*.

Planning for greater lay involvement in the life of the Church

The revised Constitution for the Ossory Diocesan Forum was published recently. The greater involvement of laity in the life of the Church in Ossory at parish, pastoral area and diocesan level is the main theme of the new Constitution. The Forum consists of Parish Pastoral Councils, thirteen Pastoral Area Councils, an Ossory Diocesan Pastoral Council and a Plenary Body consisting of all members of these three groups. The Parish Pastoral Council is a consultative leadership group through which priests and lay people work together as co-responsible partners in furthering the mission of Christ in their own parish. As a group, they think, discern and plan for the parish on an ongoing basis to identify and respond to present and future pastoral needs. The Pastoral Area Councils will enable member parishes to both discern and work collaboratively and form a basis for the co-responsibility of priests, religious and lay people for the faith life of the pastoral area. The revised Constitution has been approved by Council of Priests and The Ossory Diocesan Pastoral Council (ODPC) The ODPC is the Executive Body of the Diocesan Forum, which works in liaison with the Parish Pastoral and Pastoral Area Councils. It is a consultative group with whom the Bishop can promote, support and coordinate the work of these Councils. This is achieved through modelling synodality, collaboration and co-responsibility for the life of the diocese / Bishop, priests and laity working together. Through its monthly meetings, the ODPC considers issues from various areas of life in which the diocese is engaged. Currently its focus is on the establishment of the Pastoral Area Councils. Membership of the ODPC: Bishop Niall Coll, President, Ms Sarah Rice, Chairperson, Mr John Shortall, Secretary, Mgr Dan Carroll, Vicar General, Fr. Martin Delaney, Fr. Dan Bollard, Sr. Helen Maher, Forum Coordinator, Ms Gemma Mulligan, Pastoral Coordinator, Ms Ann Daly, Ms Bríd Duffy, Mr Diarmuid Healy.

School Holidays

It is the end of the beautiful month of May, with all the blossoms and smells and birdsong. We have been blessed with sunshine and rain. The countryside is filled with flourishing plants and trees, all in full bloom. Let us be grateful to the Creator of life. God's blessings on the Secondary school pupils beginning their Summer holidays and on those about to begin their exams. We will keep them in our prayers these weeks. May you do your best and know that our prayers and good wishes are with you. Thanks to the Mayor for his kind words last week. I was caught on the hop! – Fr. Jim

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