

**ST CANICE'S PARISH**  
**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2025**

**Praying for those who have died**

Madge Healy, Castlecomer Rd  
Teresa Delaney, Troys Court  
Dr. Peter Faul. College Rd  
Mary Lawlor, Waterford Rd.

**Anniversaries**

Sat 7pm Pat Kennedy, formerly of Talbotts Inch (1<sup>st</sup> Anniv),  
Marian, Elizabeth and Michael Clifford  
Sun 10am Christy Walsh,  
Ted Carroll.  
Catherine Oakes  
Sun 11.30am Kay Kavanagh , Broguemakers Hill (Months Mind)  
Paddy Moynihan and his son Greg,  
Peggy Moore, (10<sup>th</sup> Anniv)

**Mon 9.30am Liturgy of the Word and Communion**

Tues 9.30am Patrick Young

**Wed Christmas Eve No Morning Mass**

**Mass at 5.30pm and 7.30pm**

**Thurs Christmas Day Mass at 10am and 11.30am**

**Fri. St. Stephen's Day Mass at 9.30am**

For the Intentions of those who sent and received the Parish Christmas Cards

**In the event of a Parish funeral there will be no 9.30am Mass, to facilitate prayers in the funeral home or in the home of the deceased.**

**Any Intentions for that day will be rebooked on the next available date.**

**We also remember** Peggy Blanchfield, Martin, Jimmy and Peter Browne, Patrick and Dick Burke, Bridie Costigan, Michael and Patrick Cuddihy, Michael and Elizabeth Cullen, Margaret Deevy, Jack Donegan, Paddy and Margaret Doyle, Martin Doheny, Anne Donovan, Seamus and Milo Fry, Margaret Jackman, Mikey Lacey, Mary Loughman, David and Hannah Murphy, Michael Parker and the Parker Family, Billy Phelan.

**Next Weekend**

Sat 7.30pm John and Kit O'Toole, Deceased Members of the McGree and Rafter Families  
Sun 10am Josephine Grace, Ted and Rose Kenny  
Sun 11.30am Joe Woods, William Butler, Fr. Martin Cleere, Tommy Hickey

**Sunday Collection**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December the collection amounted to €1054

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.

**Eucharistic Adoration in St. Canice's**

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration in St. Canice's Church on Wed. Dec 24<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Eve) or Wed Dec 31<sup>st</sup> (New Years Eve). We will have Adoration again on Wed 7<sup>th</sup> January from 2pm – 4pm

Our Special Prayer Intention will be for peace in our world. All are welcome. There is a notebook at the end of the Church for more volunteers if you have 30 mins to spare any Wed between 2pm and 4pm. Every effort will be greatly appreciated.

**St. Canice's Christmas Mass Schedule**

**Christmas Eve** 5.30pm and 7.30pm

**Christmas Day** 10am and 11.30am

**St. Stephen's Day** Mass at 9.30am

**The 10am Mass on Christmas Day will be broadcast live on Community Radio Kilkenny City (88.7fm) All Masses are livestreamed on the Parish Webcam [www.stcanicesparish.ie](http://www.stcanicesparish.ie) and broadcast on the Parish radio (108FM.).**

**Annual Carols at the Cathedral**

The Annual Carol Service at St. Mary's Cathedral is on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 7.30pm. Featuring St. Mary's Cathedral Choir, Tanya Sewell (Soprano)/, Kilkenny Youth Orchestra and The Unity Singers. All welcome

**South Kilkenny Historical Society**

Lá an Dreoilín (Wren Day) event Friday, December 26<sup>th</sup> (St. Stephen's Day).

Venue: Mullinavat Parish Hall and Church Car Part. Time: 11am

Lá an Dreoilín, in Ireland, centers around the tradition of capturing a wren, which is said to bring luck. People march dressed in garbs made of straw, including headwear that is woven into a bell shape, playing drums and traditional music, and singing. All are welcome.

**Retreat and Ministry of Healing St. Mary's Parish Church**, Irishtown, Clonmel, Co. Tipp. E91FD28, Saturday January 10<sup>th</sup> morning 10.00a.m-1.00pm & afternoon 3.00pm -5.30pm & Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> at 3.00pm - 7.30pm, 2026. Led by international Healing Priest Fr. Rozo Palić, also beautiful International Music worship team. Bring the sick, family, and friends. All are welcome. For further details contact: Patricia 089 9466193 or Imelda 089 9558283

**Annual Crib Walk**

To mark the Jubilee Year of Hope, the Annual Kilkenny Church Christmas Crib Walk will take place on St. Stephen's Day. The walk begins at the Friary Church at 11 a.m., and everyone is welcome to take part. This cherished tradition is now in its twenty-second year, and it continues to bring families, friends, and parish groups together in a spirit of faith, reflection, and goodwill. Fr. Willie Purcell will lead the walk and will offer moments of prayer and reflection along the way. We look forward to gathering as a Diocesan family on St. Stephen's Day. May this year's walk deepen our sense of community and strengthen our shared hope for peace during this blessed season.

**Choirs for Christmas.at St. Canice's**

**Christmas Eve:**

5.30 pm

Family Mass: Past and Present Pupils of St. Canice's School

7.30 pm

St. Canice's Parish Choir.

**Christmas Day:**

10 am

St. Canice 's Folk Choir

11.30 am

Congregation singing with the Kilkenny Gospel Choir.

**Fr. Willie Purcell c/o The Parish Centre 056 7721533**

**Secretary: Caroline Cummins. Sacristan: Ailish Brennan c/o Parish Centre**

**Safeguarding Reps: Caroline Cummins and Edmond Nolan c/o The Parish Centre**