

ST CANICE'S PARISH
Sunday 29/09/2024

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Paula Kealy (nee English) late of Dean Cavanagh Place
Michael Hanrahan, Riverview, Ardnore
Eddie Leavy, Roscommon (brother of Breda O'Loughlin)

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Tommy and Josie Hackett,
Annette Clifford
Sun 10am Con and Anne Spain and Deceased members of the Spain Family
Sun 11.30am John Cody,
Catherine Powell

Mon 9.30am Liturgy of the Word and Communion

Tues 9.30am Tom Bergin and The Bergin Family

Wed 9.30am PJ John

Thurs 9.30am Liturgy of the Word and Communion

Fri 9.30am Liturgy of the Word and Communion

**Please note on Thurs 4th and Fri 5th October, there won't be a Mass at 9.30am.
We will have Liturgy of the Word and Communion at this time.**

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Liam Donegan
Sun 10am
Sun 11.30am John O'Donnell (Months Mind)

Sunday Collection

Sunday 22nd Sept the collection amounted to €735
Thank you for your generosity. We also have the Donate button on the website for those of you who wish to contribute online.

Mayfair Library

Free one-to-one support with using computers and other devices is available on Thursdays 10am-12pm; courtesy of Transition Year students from St Kieran's College. Just drop in!

October Stations

The October envelopes are ready for collection at the Parish Centre by the distributors. The ladies and gentlemen who deliver these envelopes do an amazing job, We appreciate your help and commitment to our Parish and your support of the priest.

First Saturdays Conference

There will be a special First Saturdays Conference on Saturday, October 12th (10am to 4pm) in the Firgrove Hotel in Mitchelstown. Sr Lucia of Fatima explained the importance of this devotion by saying that whether there is peace or war in the world depends on the practise of this devotion. We sure live in very turbulent and troubled times. There will be Mass and four speakers: Dr Katrina Layden, Fr Jaimie Twohig, Christine O'Hara and Fr Marius O'Reilly. We will also pray the Rosary, and do the 15 minute meditation together. Bring your own lunch or eat in the hotel carvery. For more details see firstsaturdays.ie

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 (88.7FM)

Taizé Youth Programme 2025

A youth trip to Taizé in France organised by Ossory Youth will take place from Sunday 29th June to Sunday 6th July 2025. A week in the Taizé Community is an opportunity for reflection and contemplation and a little step back from daily life. But bringing people together is also the essence of Taize and it is a week of meeting young people from different countries and cultures where new friendships are made. Tens of thousands of young people from around the world, including 25 from Kilkenny, will made the trip to Taizé next year. The programme, which runs from November 2024 to July 2025, is open to Transition year, 5th year and Leaving Cert students. Closing date for applications is Friday 25th Oct. For additional information, including cost and application forms, contact Patrick Bookle, Ossory Youth at (056) 7761200, (087) 2129006 or pbookle@ossoryyouth.com

“O how oft in my thoughts....”

Last Wednesday we celebrated the feast of St. Finbar and I began Mass with a hint of the Banks of my own Lovely Lee!

St. Finbar founded his hermitage at the beautiful Gougane Barra in West Cork, beside the lake in beautiful tranquility, ideal for his solitude.

On that day we had a wonderful celebration at Loreto Convent of 4 Jubilees – total of 270 years of Religious Life – stretched out over 4 Continents-

Europe: Kathleen and Roisín, **India and South America:** Winnie, **Africa –Kenya :** Stephanie.

Sr. Winifred is celebrating 70 years and Sisters Kathleen, Roisín and Stephanie 60 years. Sr.Lucy who hails from Wexford gave a lovely address at the end of dinner.

“We have every reason to celebrate with you and to thank God for the blessing of 60/70 years.” She remembered the earlier years when Religious Life seemed to be flourishing – full novitiates and seminaries and the foreign missions were very much alive. But then came changes which were exciting and challenging. Vatican 11 set the ball rolling as it were. We were sent back to our roots, and to Mary Ward of whom we then knew so little. There were many meetings, seminars, webinars, Zoom etc. And now we are at the cusp of Reunion / Merges with CJ Companions in the Institute of the Synodal pathway in the Church. Mary Ward said in the 1600s that women in time to come would do great things in the Church. These are prophetic words. These Sisters are 4 of those women (Sr. Lucy ‘BVM’)

These Sisters live here in our parish at Loreto Convent. We congratulate them and ask for blessings upon them. May their prayers and the faithful witness of their lives be an encouragement to all of us in our efforts to be joyful followers of the Lord. I enjoyed the lovely dinner and forgot to regale them with the Banks at the end! Next week I will make up for my lapse of memory. Ad multos annos – Fr. Jim

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