ST CANICE'S PARISH Sunday 24/11/2024

Praying for those who have died

Recently Deceased

Oisín Hayes, Normandy, France, formerly of Greenfield's Rd

Rose O'Donoghue, St Fiacre's Place

Barry O'Driscoll, Carlow, formerly of Loughboy

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Ann Casey, Rita McMahon, Sun 10am Jimmy and Margaret Delaney

Sun 11.30am Tom 0'Hehir, (Months Mind), Jim Kerwick, Michael Sheilds, Michael Walsh

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

Wed 9.30am John and Mary Fitzgerald

We also remember

Maureen Bryan, Michael Byrne, Patrick J Crotty, The Deevy Family, Mona Doran, Marie Greene, John Sherwin

Next Weekend

Sat 7.30pm Kathleen Wall, (1st Anniv)

Sun 10am

Sun 11.30am Dunne and Cornwall Families, Pat and Betty Murphy

Sunday Collection

Sunday 17th Nov the collection amounted to €806

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

The Annual Remembrance Mass for Deceased Members of Tirlán / Glanbia

will be celebrated in St. Canice's Church, Kilkenny on Fri 29th November at 7.30pm. Rosary for the deceased at 7.15pm

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 <u>prioryinstitute.com</u> for more info

Collection for the Ossory Priests Society – Feast of Christ the King 23rd/24th November 2024.

The Ossory Priests Society is responsible for the financial provision for the care of priests in the Diocese of Ossory in infirmity, sickness and old age. The Annual Collection for this good cause takes place on the weekend of the Feast of Christ the King, $23^{\text{rd}}/24^{\text{th}}$ November 2024.A contribution to the Ossory Priests Society collection is an opportunity to show appreciation for the many years of service our sick and retired priests have given to God and to His people throughout the Diocese of Ossory. Your support is very much appreciated.

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Mass Times

Mon-Fri 9.30am Sat Vigil Mass 7.30pm- Sun 10am and 11.30am All Masses are livestreamed on the Parish Webcam <u>www.stcanicesparish.ie</u> 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)

Holy Hour For Vocations – Wednesday, 27th Nov 2024, St John's Church, On 24th Nov. 2004, the late Pope John Paul II blessed six Monstrances for use for people to pray for an increase of vocations to ordained ministry and consecrated life. The Monstrances were designated for Eucharistic Adoration for vocations for each major continent or geographical area around the world as a symbol of the connection between the Eucharist and priestly vocations. The six regions given a monstrance are: North America, Latin America, Europe, Asia, Africa and the Pacific. The Monstrance that was given to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is being brought to Ireland and will visit 12 diocesses in November. The Diocese of Ossory will receive the Monstrance on Wed. 27th Nov. 2024. Ossory Vocations will hold a Holy Hour for Vocations in St. John's Church, Kilkenny, on Wed, 27th Nov. at 7.30 p.m. All are invited to come and pray for vocations in the diocese.

Thanksgiving

Just a word to say 'Thank You!' I am sure that you, like me, glance at the mail coming in which includes bills, begging letters, statements etc., which you deal with in a business – like fashion. However, have you noticed the difference it makes when you receive a Thank You card and a few words of appreciation? It lifts my heart. Recently I celebrated a wedding and I was in great form, energy levels high, and was well rested beforehand! As they say, I was in form for the celebration! How my heart rejoiced when I received a letter of appreciation just days after the event. It helped me to bring into my prayer my gratitude for all the signs of God's love especially in the people we meet and to just waste a bit of time savouring their goodness. Thanksgiving is a national holiday in the United States which is celebrated on the fourth Thursday of November. It has been linked to the Pilgrims 1621 harvest festival since the late 19th century. They give thanks for the blessings of the harvest and of the preceding year. St. Ignatius in his Spiritual Exercises has thoughts about thanksgiving. A lovely exercise each one of us could do this week is to make out our Litany of Thanksgiving – to call the names of all we give thanks for, those we are indebted to in friendship and love, those who give us encouragement and appreciate our efforts. Instead of leaving things on the long finger I might make out my list of those I should send a note to. We never know the light that these words of thanks shine in people's lives. How tragic that pressure can lead people to drastic decisions in their times of darkness and despair. We pray for those who have suffered such loneliness and personal isolation. May we be a light of hope to one another by being a shoulder to cry on or a listening ear to share a burden.

Thanksgiving is the meaning of our Eucharist. We give praise and thanks to God our loving Father through the prayer of Jesus, the faithful Son of God.

Happy Thanksgiving and let us continue to say Thank You, more and more. –

Fr. Jim