

ST CANICE'S PARISH NEWSLETTER 24TH DECEMBER 2017



Praying for those who have died

Christy Walsh, Talbot's Inch
Michael Hennessy, Bishop Birch Place

Anniversaries

Sat 7.30pm Patrick Young
Sun 10.30am Ted Carroll
Wed. 11.00am Larry Masterson
Thurs 11.00am Rose and Ted Kenny
Friday 2.00pm Memorial Mass for Declan Lawlor

We also remember

Peggy Blanchfield, Patrick Burke, George Byrne, Tom Cantwell, Martin Cummins, Michael Downey, Seamus Fry, Baby Beth Gallagher, Christy Galvin, Richard Gaule, Maura Hearne, Richie Kavanagh, Jack, Peg & Breda Molloy, Charles & Bridget O'Neill, Olivia Clifford McRory Liam & Mary Ryan, Roseanna Smith.

Next Weekend

Sat 30th 7.30pm Joe Woods
Sun 31st 9.30am Josephine Grace
Sun 31st 11.30am Fr. Martin Cleere
Tue 2nd 9.30am Michael & Kitty Slattery, and their Son Michael
Wed 3rd 9.10am Deceased Members of the Cahill Family
Fri 4th 9.10am Bridget O'Keefe,

Collection 17th December – €1,349.00 Thank You

Ministers 31th December – 2017

Readers

7.30pm Breda & Laura Donohue
9.30am Sile Moore, Catherine Wyse
10.30am Tomas & Margaret Turley
11.30am Anne Phelan & Nina Rebi

Eucharistic Ministers

7.30pm Sony Skaria, Irene Henebry, Jimmy Leahy
9.30am Sr. Concepta, Anne Gunning
10.30am Benny George, Eleanor Carroll, Trevor Hayes
11.30am Pauline Carroll, Pauline Tynan, Michael Hogan

MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS

Sunday 24^t **Christmas Eve** 6.00pm Children's Mass 8.00pm Vigil Mass

Monday 25^t **Christmas Day** 9.30am, 10.30am & 11.30am

Christmas Week Daily Masses at 11.am

A Special Memorial Mass will take place on Friday 29th December at 2pm in St. Canice's Church for the repose of the soul of the late Declan Lawlor, Granges Road, who passed away on the 18th July in Virginia, U.S.A

The Annual Crib Walk of the Churches in Kilkenny The Annual Church Christmas Crib Walk will take place on Saturday December 30th beginning at the Friary Church at 11 am., Is a reflective walk on the meaning and traditions of church cribs in Kilkenny. Each Church has its own tradition in its Christmas Crib and its design and structure often reflects not only the community of the present but the communities of the generations gone before who formed and built the various Church Cribs. The walk will be led by Fr. Willie Purcell.

Thomas Hayes Trust 'Gala Ball' New Year's Eve, Hotel Kilkenny, Reception 7.30pm. Tickets €45 formal Wear, (black tie optional) Tickets KBC Bank the Parade, Rollercoaster Records, Kieran St.

Kilkenny & Carlow Samaritans provide 24 hour non-judgmental and confidential support to those who find it difficult to cope during Christmas. Free Phone **116123**, SMS Text **087 2609090**, Email jo@samaritans.org
2 Abbey Bridge, Dean St.

The Season of Goodwill. It is marvelous and wonderful to experience the goodness and loving generosity of the many people in our Parish who have been involved all during the year in so many ways. I am most appreciative of your faithfulness and support. The year has brought its share of pain and sorrow to many of us in the departures of our loved ones; it also has been a time of joy and blessing in the many weddings and baptisms we have celebrated. As we celebrate the Birth of the Lord Jesus let us give thanks for the hope and joy He brings to our lives. There are so many things to be grateful for and one thing in particular is the spirit of goodwill and friendship we share with one another. For all your loving kindness, Lord, we thank you and we open our hearts to welcome your presence in the persons we meet. Thank you for all your love and support.

Thanks to all the volunteers, readers, servers, ministers of the Word and Eucharist, collectors, choirs, organists and musicians who have generously served in our community throughout the year. On behalf of Fr. Peter and myself I wish you a Happy and Peaceful Christmas May the blessings of the Lord be on you and your families at this Christmas time and in the New Year. ----- Fr Jim Murphy.

The Parish Centre will re-open on Monday the 8th January 2018

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