St. Mary's Cathedral 16th May 2021 The Ascension of the Lord

Recently Deceased Aidan Slevin, Tullaroan

Months Mind 11-Mary Walsh, Gaol Road.

Anniversaries

11-Liam and Richard Meighan, Rioch Terrace, 5.30-Margaret Hayes, James's Green.

John Doheny, John Murphy, Molly and Ann Martin.

Anniversaries 23rd May, 2021

11am: Elizabeth, Justin & Kevin Ruth, Kickham St; Bridie and Ralph Kavanagh, St Francis Tce;

5.30pm: Kathleen King, James's Green; Frances Fitzpatrick, Tommy Martin Place.

Memorial Mass

A memorial mass will be hosted by the Deanery in St Mary's Cathedral for all who have died in the past months of Covid-19. The mass will be celebrated on 28^{th} May at 7.30pm.

Lenten/Easter Offering

Thanks to all who contribute regularly to the Cathedral and also to those who assist in distributing the envelopes.

Website Donate Button

A word of thanks and appreciation to those who use the Donate button to support St. Mary's Cathedral Parish.

Parish Office

The Parish Office is opened each morning if you wish to contact Fr Scriven by phone or in person, 10am-12.30pm.

Cathedral Book and Gift Shop

The Book and Gift shop will re-open on 19thMay Wednesday – Friday from 9.00-5.00pm. Great range of cards, books, Baptisms, Communions, Confirmations.

CHY3 Tax Forms

In recent days the CHY3 tax refund forms have been distributed. This enables the parish to claim a refund from the Government on donations given to the Church. Please complete the form and return it to the parish office. If you are paying tax and contribute \notin 250 or more to the parish in one year and have not received a form please contact the office.

Public Worship

In accordance with Government guidelines it will be possible to attend mass as and from May 10th. It will be possible for 140 to attend mass in St Mary's Cathedral.

Numbers at Funerals

In accordance with Government Guidelines from 10th May it will be possible for 50 people to attend a funeral. This number is capped regardless of the size of the church. Funerals are still considered private family events and arrangements should indicate so.

First Communion and Confirmation

Bishop Nulty has asked that all celebrations of First Communion and Confirmation would not take place in May or June and that parishes do not set any dates until further clarity is offered.

Baptisms

Bishop Nulty has informed us that the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism is possible at this time. Please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Now Hiring a Diocesan Nurse

The diocese of Ossory are seeking to appoint a Diocesan Nurse who work within a growing, community client focused organisation. The ideal candidate must be a registered nurse, have the ability to co-ordinate care planning in the community, be self motivated and have the ability to work on own initiative and possess excellent communication and time management skills. Please contact Colette Ryan via email to cryan@carebright.ie. Closing date: 28th May 2021.

Diocesan Draw

January to May draws will take place on Wednesday, 26th May at 7pm in the Chapter House. Thank you for your continued support.

Marian Pilgimages Pilgrimage schedule for 2021 and 2022 now available. Visit <u>www.marian.ie</u>

St Mary's Parish Facebook Page

There is a great Facebook page called *St. Mary's Parish.* Check it out.

Accord

Accord are currently recruiting people to facilitate on their Marriage Preparation Programmes. Forms are available at the back of the Church.

Preparations for the National Synod

The Irish Bishops have announced an initial submission phase of the Synodal Pathway for the Catholic Church in Ireland. Explaining the initial submission phase Bishop Brendan Leahy of Limerick said, "Before embarking on the Synodal Pathway consultation, bishops are inviting submissions to reflect on what methods/models to adopt in these coming two years of conversations. For e.g.: focus groups, parish hall meetings, questionnaires, deep-listening sessions; written submissions; family focused gatherings; summary of findings of assemblies that have already taken place across dioceses; and/or conferences. Parish teams, parish pastoral councils and other parish groups, as well as individual parishioners " Feedback, which should be no more than 300 words and submitted by Pentecost Sunday, 23rd May, ought to focus on the nature of the process for the consultation i.e. how we can best go about this initial phase of establishing the conversation, rather than on the prospective themes for the Synodal Pathway, which will be addressed in the next phase. "It is said that the journey of a thousand miles begins with one step. I think (this) is a simple but significant step and I

hope many will offer their suggestions." St. Mary's Cathedral Kilkenny

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