St. Mary's Cathedral 24th January 2021 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday of the Word of God

Recently Deceased

Sr. Nora McCarthy, Presentation Convent, Joe Duffy, St. Francis Terrace, Eileen Kennedy, Castlecomer Road.

Anniversaries

Jamie Cullen, Arthur Connick, Maura Gaffney, Mary Broderick.

Sunday 31st January 11am Mass

Next Sunday, 31st January, Bishop Farrell will celebrate the 11am mass here in the Cathedral. This will be his final Sunday before he begins his new ministry in the Archdiocese of Dublin. This mass will be available on the Webcam.

Did you know?

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

Website Donate Button

A word of thanks and appreciation to those who have used the Donate button on the website to support St. Mary's Cathedral Parish. We encourage others to use this facility to financially support the Parish and Cathedral at this time.

Parish Office Hours

In accordance with Government Guidelines the Parish Office will remain closed at this time. Please contact Fr Scriven.

Funerals in Church

10 people are now allowed to attend funerals in accordance with government guidelines

Celebration of Baptisms

There will be no celebration of Baptisms at this time.

Year of St Joseph Joseph's spiritual path "is not one that explains, but accepts"

In a new Apostolic Letter entitled Patris corde ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows. The Letter marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate the anniversary. Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021. Joseph, beloved, tender, obedient father, Pray for us. Joseph, who welcomed the will of God.

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Joseph, creative and courageous father, example of love, Pray for us. Joseph, who teaches the value, dignity and joy of work. Prav for us. Joseph. a father "in the shadows" centred on Mary and Jesus, Pray for us. "My beloved father, all my trust is in you. Let it not be said that I invoked you in vain, and since you can do everything with Jesus and Mary, show me that your goodness is as great as your power." Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Communion for the Housebound

Arrangements can be made for a family member to bring Holy Communion – please contact the Parish Office.

Mass Cards

A variety of Mass Cards (Sympathy, Get Well and Mass Bouquet Cards) are available in the Parish Office. Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral each Thursday morning for those who ask to be remembered in the shared masses. Individual Mass Cards are also available.

Cathedral Monthly Draw

Thanks to all who continue to support the Monthly Draw in aid of the Restoration of the Cathedral. The January draw will take place in conjunction with the February draw.

Confirmation

Bishop Farrell has asked that there be no celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation before Easter. This time will allow the infection number to come down, our Schools to re-open, our Churches to be open once again for public worship, and preparation for the Sacrament to be done. Re-scheduled date will be given as soon as possible

Cathedral Bookshop

The Cathedral Gift Shop is closed at this time. Supplies etc will be available though the Parish Office: please contact Fr Scriven.

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Over the coming years we hope to develop the Chapter House as a visitors centre, restore the Cathedral Crib and the chapels of St Joseph and Our Lady.

We invite you and your family members to commit a small financial monthly contribution and through the small contribution of many we can do great things together.

Pick up a brochure in the Cathedral, or read online our plans at <u>www.stmaryscathedral.ie/friends</u>

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