# St. Mary's Cathedral 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### **Recently Deceased**

Vera Larkin, Rioch Street Teresa (Teasie) McGrath, Friary Street Sr. Dolores O'Keeffe, Loreto Convent Catherine Brannigan, Granges Road.

#### **Anniversaries**

11am Anna Keegan, Francis Terrace (Months Mind) Cyril Keegan, Francis Terrace

5.30pm: Carmel Murphy, McCauley Place

Paddy O'Brien, Ann Dalton, Eileen Cummins, Bridget Knox, Eamon and Doreen Tallent, Noel Meighan, BillyClancy.

#### **Next Week's Anniversaries**

11am Michael O'Hanrahan, Dukes Meadows Willie Smith, Waterford Road

### Mass Schedule during the coming week:

Mass each morning at 9am in Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

#### Parish Office

Office hours 9.30am – 12.30pm, Mon, Tues & Fri. Email: stmaryscathedral@ossory.ie or Tel 056 772 1253

#### **Parish Website**

The parish website has information about our parish. Please log onto www.stmaryscathedral.ie

## **Cathedral Book and Gift Shop**

The Book and Gift shop is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.30am - 3pm.The Parish Office carries a range of goods and cards for various occasions.

Please wear a face mask while in the cathedral during these weeks when our seating capacity is reduced. Please be mindful of social distancing.



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#### SAFEGUARDING in our Parish and Diocese

The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person,

**Ms. Kathleen Sherry**, 085 802 1633 -dlp@ossory.ie Parish Safeguarding Representative:

### Sr Betty Cagney

Counselling Services - Towards Healing Confidential Helpline 1800 313 316 – www.towardshealing.ie

## The Synodal Path 2021 2022



Synod 2021 2023 for a Synodal church: Communion Participation Mission. Pope Francis wants to hear you and so does the Diocese of Ossory. Be part of our Listening

Journey in Listening Lent **2022.** More information from www.ossory.ie and www.synod.ie

## Tobar na Gaeilge-Dianchúrsa na hArdteiste

There will be an Intensive 2 day Leaving Cert Irish Oral Course taking place in Johnswell Community Hall during the mid-term break. All elements of the Exam will be covered, including the Sraith Pictiúr, Cómhrá agus Filíocht. Dátaí/Dates: 24th & 25th of February,10am-2pm. For further details please contact: 0876673302 or tobarnagaeilge@gmail.com Beatha teanga, í a labhairt"

## **Our Lady of Lourdes**

Friday last was the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. On 11<sup>th</sup> February 1858 Mary appeared to Bernadette Soubouris at the edge of the river Gave where Bernadette was collecting sticks. Thus began the wonderful faith experience that is Lourdes: a place of pilgrimage and prayer, a place of encounter and engagement, a place of peace and healing. Regretfully again this year the pilgrimage season will be dominated by fears of Covid. Ossory will not travel as a pilgrimage this year but hope and plan to travel in 2023. The Irish Pilgrimage Trust that travels regularly in Easter week will not travel again this year. May Our Lady of Lourdes watch over and keep us safe.

## **Medugorje Evening of Prayer**

Rosary, Mass and Adoration will take place in St Fiacre's Church, Loughboy, on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7.30pm.

# St. Mary's Day Care Centre

Care Assistant required two days per week. Wednesday and Thursday 10am – 4pm.

For further information <a href="mailto:stmaryshousingdcc@gmail.com">stmaryshousingdcc@gmail.com</a>

### Progress report on the Cathedral... Tuesday is D-Day...

Work continued this week. In particular attention has been given to repairing the tile work of the centre aisle. Original to 1857 some new tiles (the white ones) have had to be sourced; the black Kilkenny limestone tiles have been salvaged. The new altar arrives on Tuesday morning from the workshop in Loughrea. Over 4.5ton in weight there is a logistical challenge to transport it and to bring it into the cathedral. The new Ambo will also arrive on Tuesday – a little lighter in weight, it is only 1.5ton in weight. Less of a challenge to move!

Before all that the sacred relics will be placed in the ground where the altar will rest. The relics of Blessed Oliver Plunkett, Blessed Edmund Rice and Nano Nagle will be presented to Bishop Nulty on Tuesday morning. They will be placed in specially prepared chamber and covered with an Altar Stone.

Traditionally relics were placed in the altar. In 1857 the relics of SS Cosmos and Damien were placed in the high altar and in the altar in the Lady Chapel.

The relics unite us with the faith of universal church and with the communion of saints in heaven. Our prayer is not just parochial or diocesan. Gathered around the altar we are a communion of faith, of past present and future.

The relics being placed in the Cathedral at this time represent a wonderful tradition of faith in our country and also the selfless dedication of wonderful people who have cared for the young. Edmund Rice and Nano Nagle are shining stars in a rich religious heritage and their followers have made a great difference in our parish.

## Repair of the Lady Chapel – can you help?

If you would like to be associated with the work in the Lady Chapel please use the envelopes at the back of the church to leave your donation. A donation of  $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{e}}15$  is suggested and it can be placed in the secure box at the entrance door. Many thank for your continued support of the restoration project.

#### **Website Donate Button**

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

# **Newpark Close Resource Centre**

Confidential and affordable counselling service provided by The Dandelion Counselling Service. Counselling, Child/Play/Art Therapies offering Family Support and Bereavement counselling. Further information 087 3979033

Please continue to practice best practice.