

**St. Mary's Cathedral
13th March
Second Sunday of Lent**

Recently Deceased

Peter Smithwick, Kilcreene and Inistioge

Anniversaries

11am Seamus Browne (Months Mind)
Joe Butler, St. Teresa's Terrace
Margaret Byrne
5.30pm Catherine Egan, Rothe Terrace

Maureen Burke, John Patrick Hennessy, Dixie Comerford,
Frank Donovan.

Next Week's Anniversaries

11am James Brennan, Drakelands
Gerry and Paddy Malone
Tom, Milo and Eily Mullaly.
5.30pm Joseph Brannigan, Drakelands.

Parish Office

Office hours 9.30am – 12.30pm, Mon, Tues & Fri.
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Lenten Envelopes

The Lenten Collection for the Clergy will be taken up during the weeks of Lent. Thanks to the distributors who distribute the envelopes throughout the parish. Envelopes are now available for collection from the Parish Office. Parishioners can avail of the online payment system using the parish website. Thanks to all for their contributions.

Trocaire Boxes

Please take a Trocaire Box and use it during Lent 2022. Trocaire reminds us of our responsibilities towards the wider community and less well off areas of our world.

St Mary's Cathedral Gift and Bookshop

The Chapter House Bookshop is open Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, 9.30am-5pm. The shop has a wide range of books and gifts suitable for Confirmation and First Holy Communion: bibles and rosaries, prayer books all suitable for young people.

The Parish Office also carries a range of goods and cards for various occasions.

Save the Date – You are invited

Solemn consecration of the new altar in the Cathedral and re-opening after the works – 27th March, 5.30pm.

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

St Patrick's Day – La Feile Padraig

Thursday is St Patrick's Day, the day in which we commemorate our national patron saint. Mass in St Mary's Cathedral at 11am and 5.30pm.

Prayer for Peace – Lenten Pastoral Letter

Bishop Nulty has written a pastoral letter which is available at the back of the church. This letter encourages us to pray for peace in the world and in particular Ukraine at this time.

Lectio Divino – The Kiss of Christ

lectio divina led by Fr Séamus O'Connell, St Patrick's College, Maynooth will guide the course. Week of 14th March: The Word and Life. www.aspal.ie for more details.

Website Donate Button

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

Sacramental Preparation

Preparations continue for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish on April 2nd. The ceremony of Enrolment took place this week when the boys and girls from Mother of Fair Love, Presentation Primary School and Scoil Iognaid de Rís gathered in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. The boys and girls of 2nd class are preparing for First Penance and First Holy Communion. Thanks to Sr Maria who coordinated this programme in the parish and to all our teachers for their great help.

War is Madness...Please Stop *Franciscans*

Please continue to practice best practice.

Wear a mask in church.



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Together For Lent

The four city parishes invite you to attend a series of Lenten Masses during Lent 2022. Beginning on Tuesday 15th March Mass will be celebrated in ST JOHN'S CHURCH at 7.30pm. The speaker on the night will be Jim Maher. Jim will speak on **Faith in our Lives**.

Works update...

Work continues at a pace... The reredos of the two side chapels are been installed. Work continues on the floor of the sanctuary and the tiler has nearly completed his work. The new Kilkenny marble steps were also installed this week.

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 €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.

Sunday 27th March – Consecration of the New Altar

Bishop Nulty will preside over the consecration of the Altar and Ambo at the 5.30pm Mass on March 27th. During the mass the altar will be blessed and consecrated using the oil of Chrism and the first mass at the new altar will be celebrated.

SCHEDULE:

March 15th: All major works to be concluded

March 20th – 27th: Cathedral Closed. Sanding of the Parquet Floor in the centre nave of the church will take place during this week. Cleaning of the mosaic floor of the apse and side altars will take place also during this week.

Preparation for the ceremony on the 27th will also take place during this week and particularly on Sunday 27th.

Cleaning of the Cathedral – help will be needed during the final week of March to clean and prepare the cathedral.

There will be NO 11am mass on Sunday 27th.

The Synodal Path 2021 2022



The Synodal Pathway
of the Catholic Church in Ireland

Journey in Listening Lent 2022.

www.ossory.ie and www.synod.ie

You are invited to attend one of the many meetings organised in Ossory during the season of Lent. Details on the Church Notice Board. Meeting in Stg Kieran's College on Monday evening at 7.30pm.