

St. Mary's Cathedral

11th September

Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please remember the following in your prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED

Eamonn Tyrrell, Caomhnu Kilcreene, Friary Street

ANNIVERSARIES

11am: Jackie O'Brien, Fr Albert Place,
Jimmy and Molly Denieffe, Fatima Place
Pierce Keoghan, Drakelands

5.30pm: Teresa Gowan, James's Green

Margaret Jones, Eileen Butler, Lucy McKee, Alexander Neill,
Anthony Murphy.

NEXT WEEKS ANNIVERSARIES

11am Kevin Prendergast, Rushbrook
Nora Connick, Fatima Place
Bridie and Billy Gannon, James's Green.

5.30pm Tommy and Billy Lawlor, High Street.
Thomas and Bridget Delaney, Fr. Murphy Square.

DIOCESAN DRAW – ONGOING WORK IN THE CATHEDRAL

As you know work continues on the restoration of our Cathedral. We are grateful to many donors who have helped with the funding of this work.

A particular word of gratitude to all who have been part of the Diocesan Draw over the past few years. The income from this diocesan draw has paid for much of the work which was undertaken in the Apse, The Restoration of the Stations of the Cross and the other works associated with the Chapter House and Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

The work undertaken earlier this year has been enabled through diocesan funds and a significant contribution from the Parish. Specifically parish funds and fundraising paid for the restoration of the two side chapels and the parquet floor of the centre aisle. Parish funds will also now pay for the restoration of the kneelers. Initially the kneelers in the main aisle and the two transepts will be done; at a later stage the kneelers in the side aisles will be restored.

The new draw begins in September. Tickets are now available from the local promoters and also through the Parish Office or Cathedral Bookshop. *Be in to Win. Stay in to Win. Be Part of the Story.*

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL GIFT AND BOOKSHOP

The shop is open Wed, Thur and Fri, 9.30am-5pm.

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Welcome to Fr Laurence:

We welcome Fr Laurence to St Mary's Cathedral for the month of September. Fr Laurence is from a family of eleven (six sisters and four brothers).

His impression of Kilkenny: *I have visited Kilkenny several times, though stayed in Granges Road, and helped in St. Canice's. Kilkenny is a lovely ancient Celtic city that I don't get tired of visiting and asking questions about the Castle and other places of tourist attraction. Most important is, how lovely and welcoming I find most of the people.*

Studies: *I studied for my priesthood in two different Seminaries in Nigeria: three years philosophy in St. Thomas Aquinas' Major Seminary, Makurdi; and four years Theology in St Augustine Major Seminary, Jos. I participated in a Formation Programme in Dublin, in 2003/2004; I did Spirituality in Milltown Institute of Theology and Philosophy, in Dublin; and I did Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE), a unit in Cork University Teaching Hospital, and a unit and Certification in St. Vincent's Hospital, Dublin.*

Work: *I worked in the Seminary in Makurdi for eight years (2012 — 2020) and I am now back to my Diocese, Archdiocese of Abuja, where I am beginning a Pastoral Area. In my Pastoral Area, there are three small churches. The congregation in two of those Churches is made up of 98% Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs), dislodged from their homes in the North-Eastern part of the country, by the Boko Haram. The congregation from the three Churches put together would be over one thousand, five hundred people.*

Thank you for the warm welcome I've got from you in St. Mary's Cathedral, especially from Fr Richard Scriven. I am happy to be here.

WEBSITE DONATE BUTTON

A word of thanks and appreciation to those who use the Donate button to support St. Mary's Cathedral. It has been a great source of income over the past few months during the very busy season of visitors to the Cathedral.



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Sympathies and Prayers to the British People

Pope Francis joined world leaders in extending sympathies to King Charles III on the death of HRH Queen Elizabeth II: "I willingly join all who mourn her loss in praying for the late queen's eternal rest and in paying tribute to her life of unstinting service to the good of the nation and the Commonwealth, her example of devotion to duty, her steadfast witness of faith in Jesus Christ and her firm hope in his promises."

Archbishop Eamonn Martin, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland, expressed his sympathies to the new King, to the members of the Royal family and to all those who will grieve the loss of this much-loved and deeply respected monarch. "Since the Queen's coronation in 1953", he said, "she has shown immense commitment, not only to her royal duties and responsibilities, but also to the wider common good. What stands out for me is her dedication to faith, to family, and to peace and reconciliation."

The queen has met five popes during her reign including St John Paul II in 2000 at the Vatican. In 2010 she welcomed Pope Benedict XVI to the United Kingdom and met Pope Francis in the Vatican in 2014.

Getting Married in St Mary's Cathedral

Please contact the Parish office to enquire about getting married in St Mary's Cathedral. We are receiving a number of enquiries for weddings in 2023 and 2024 from visitors who want to avail of the Cathedral for their wedding ceremony. As a working policy it is preferable that there is only one wedding per day in the Cathedral. Further information from the Parish Website and/or the Parish Office.

Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated in the Cathedral on the last Sunday of the month after the 11am mass. Further information is available on the Parish Website (www.stmaryscathedral.com) and the Parish Office.

Pilgrimage to Knock

Dominican Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Sunday, 9th October. Cost €20.00. If interested please leave your name and contact number at the Black Abbey Hall Door or ring 056 7721279 between 10am and 4pm.

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