

## St. Mary's Cathedral

4<sup>th</sup> September

### Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please remember the following in your prayers

#### RECENTLY DECEASED

Sr de Lourdes Walshe RSM, Sr Agnes O'Dwyer SJG

#### ANNIVERSARIES

11am Michael O'Neill, Fr. Albert Place.

5.30pm Memorial Mass for Deceased Members of the Theatre Community.

Teresa Gowan, Michael and Mick Delaney, Kathleen Doran, Cassin Family, William (Billy) Burke, Geraldine Maher.

#### NEXT WEEKS ANNIVERSARIES

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

5.30pm: Teresa Gowan, James's Green

#### Month's Mind Mass

The month's mind mass for Fr Lorcan Moran will be celebrated in St John's Church on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm.

#### DIOCESAN DRAW

Congratulations to the winners of the August draw which took place on Wednesday night in the Chapter House. Locally Sr Kathleen was a winner this month on Sr Teresa's card; first ticket out was Rathdowney Parish who won €2,000. Thanks to all promoters over the past year and years for their constant support of the Draw.

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.*

#### 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](http://www.stmaryscathedral.com)) and the Parish Office.

#### ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL GIFT AND BOOKSHOP

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

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#### POPE JOHN PAUL 1 – BEATIFICATION

On Sept. 4, 2022, Pope John Paul I, born Albino Luciani, will be beatified: proclaimed as "blessed," the last step before being canonized as a Catholic saint.

After the death of Paul VI, on 26 August 1978 he was elected in a conclave that lasted one day. Despite his short papacy - only 34 days - John Paul I left a mark. Called the "Smiling Pope" because of his welcoming manner, he was the first pope in centuries to refuse a formal coronation, choosing a simpler inauguration ceremony. The double name he assumed on his election was in itself a programme. By combining John and Paul, he not only offers a tribute of gratitude to the Popes who wanted him as bishop and cardinal, but also marked a path of continuity in the application of the Council.

The new pope's life as a priest, bishop, cardinal and finally pope was embodied in the motto he chose for his ministry: "humility."

#### WELCOME BACK

We welcome back the staff and pupils of our primary schools and secondary schools: Presentation Primary School, CBS Primary School, Mother of Fair Love School, and CBS Secondary School. In particular we welcome and wish all the best to the new principal of Mother of Fair Love School: Ms Mary Cody. We thank Ms Marian O'Driscoll Curran for her years of dedication in the school and on her retirement we wish her *ad moltus annos*

#### 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.

#### KILKENNY AGE FRIENDLY OLDER PEOPLES COUNCIL

You are invited to a gathering of Older People on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September at The Hoban Hotel. Commencing at 9.15am and concluding with lunch at 12.30pm. There will be information stands and speakers on the day. We would also like to hear about your needs and interests. Information from 0853715757 or 085 1942174. Latest date for booking is Wed 7<sup>th</sup> September.



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#### SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation runs from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year. This ecumenical season is dedicated to prayer and action for the protection of creation. It is a time to renew our relationships with God our Creator, and with all creation, as we join together in prayer. We give thanks for all that God has made, repent for the damage that we have caused and commit ourselves to take action to protect the earth our common home.

"Listen to the voice of creation" is the theme and invitation of this year's Season of Creation. In his message for the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation 2022, Pope Francis calls on us to use the season to "cultivate our ecological conversion" and to pray together in "the great cathedral of Creation".

#### A PRAYER FOR OUR EARTH

All-powerful God,  
you are present in the whole universe  
and in the smallest of your creatures.  
You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.  
Pour out upon us the power of your love,  
that we may protect life and beauty.  
Fill us with peace,  
that we may live as brothers and sisters,  
harming no one.  
O God of the poor,  
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten  
of this earth, so precious in your eyes.  
Bring healing to our lives,  
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,  
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.  
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain  
at the expense of the poor and the earth.  
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,  
to be filled with awe and contemplation,  
to recognize that we are profoundly united  
with every creature  
as we journey towards your infinite light.  
We thank you for being with us each day.  
Encourage us, we pray,  
in our struggle for justice, love and peace. Amen.

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