

St. Mary's Cathedral

30th October 2022

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please remember the following in your prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED

Fr Joe Glover, Belfast

Aika Caoimhe Doheny, Greensbridge

Kathleen (Lue) Fitzpatrick, McDonagh Street.

Kathleen Comerford, Meadow Way.

ANNIVERSARIES

11am Joan Fitzgerald, Ardnore

Seamus Dunlop, Walkin Street.

5.30pm Tommy Brennan, Blackmill Street

Months Mind

5.30pm Martin Mahony, Cedarwood Close.

John and Mary Fitzgerald, Michael Davin, Josie Darcy.

NEXT WEEKS ANNIVERSARIES

11 Sheila Butler, Parnell St

Alan Mooney, Dean Cavanagh Place.

1ST NOVEMBER: FEAST OF ALL SAINTS

Mass will be celebrated at 9am in the Cathedral on the Feast of All Saints of Ireland. Tuesday is a Holy Day of Obligation.

2ND NOVEMBER: FEAST OF THE HOLY SOULS

Mass will be celebrated at 9am in the Cathedral on the Feast of the Holy Souls. Please write the names of your loved ones and place them in the sacred space in the sanctuary. We will remember all our dead in the masses during November.

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

COFFEE MORNING AND CAKE SALE

A Coffee Morning and Cake Sale will take place In Aid of Cois Nore & Carlow Kilkenny Homecare Team on Thursday the 10th of November in St John's Day Centre from 11.00am. Come along, have a cuppa and a bun and help local cancer charities in memory of Fr Lorcan Moran. All are welcome!

TEAM HOPE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL 2022

Team hope delivers gift filled shoeboxes straight into the hands of children affected by poverty in Eastern Europe and Africa .We are asking people to get their shoeboxes into our drop off points listed on our website www.teamhope.ie by the 8th November. More information on 087/9970655

NEW BISHOP OF OSSORY

Pope Francis appointed Fr Niall Coll, Parish Priest of Donegal Town, as Bishop of Ossory on Friday 28th October. On Friday Monsignor Julien Kaboré, Chargé d'Affaires of the Apostolic Nunciature in Ireland made the announcement at a mass celebrated by Bishop Denis Nulty. Using the words often associated with the announcement of a new pope Mgr Julien told us: *Annuntio vobis gaudium magnum: habemus episcopum. I announce with great joy: We have a bishop.* And so Fr Niall Coll was introduced to us as our new bishop successor of Archbishop Farrell who was translated to Dublin in February 2021.

After Mgr Julien announced the apostolic mandate Fr Coll addressed the congregation acknowledging that he was as surprised as we were that he was standing before us...An Ulsterman in deepest Lenister? He admitted little knowledge of hurling but that he was always fascinated by the skill and dance of the game. His knowledge of Ossory comes mostly in the shape of the sons and daughters of the diocese whom he had encountered over the years...of religious and priests of the diocese he had met over the course of his years and the seminarians that he knew during his college days and his teaching years. Admitting that he would miss the parish of Donegal and Clar where he was ministered over the past year and a half and now looks forward to his time in Ossory: trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit, the future would be a time of discernment and change in line with Pope Francis' emphasis on the need for 'synodality'. After thanking all present the Bishop Elect concluded:

Téimis ar aghaidh le chéile agus miud lán le miunín.

A Mhuire, a Mhathair na hEaglaise, guigh orainn.

A Chiarán, a Cheannach and a Brid, guigí orainn.

WHO IS OUR NEW BISHOP?

Fr Coll was born in Letterkenny on 25 August 1963. On completion of his theological studies he was ordained on July 3 1988 for the Diocese of Raphoe. He completed his Licence and Doctorate in the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome in 1995. He has taught in St Eunan's College Letterkenny and Pobalscoil na Rosann, Dungloe, lectured at St Patrick's College, Carlow and was Professor of Religious Studies and Religious Education at St Mary's University College in Belfast from 2001 until 2020 when he was recalled to parish work as a parish priest in Raphoe diocese.

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BISHOP ELECT IS WELCOMED:

Archbishop Farrell, Archbishop of Dublin

I warmly welcome the appointment by Pope Francis of Father Niall Coll of the Diocese of Raphoe as Bishop of Ossory. I congratulate Bishop-elect Coll, and wish him every blessing as he commences his new ministry among the people, religious, and priests of Ossory. From first-hand experience, I am confident that he will be warmly welcomed in Ossory. My own time in Ossory was a time of great blessing, and I wish Father Coll even greater blessing and happiness as he prepares for his new ministry.

Archbishop Eamon Martin, Archbishop of Armagh

The Donegal native brings a wealth of educational expertise, along with strong pastoral instincts, to his new ministry. "He has a depth of experience of Religious Education and Religious Studies at third level which will be of immense value to our discussions at the Irish Bishops' Conference."

Bishop Denis Nulty, Apostolic Administrator of Ossory:

I have known Niall since our student days together in Maynooth in the 1980's and as such, understand full well his immense abilities, his deep faith and his great energy for theology, pastoral ministry and lay faith formation. Having journeyed with the people of Ossory as Apostolic Administrator I know how wonderfully Bishop Elect Niall will settle here. This is a good home. I know also that Father Niall is known to many in this Diocese, some he has taught in his years lecturing in systematic theology, many others he has encountered in various settings throughout his ministry. Our paths in life bring us together – the Lords hand in every encounter. Ossory is a Diocese with a very rich history and with an ever more promising future.

Bishop Alan McGuckian of Raphoe

The bishop of Raphoe paid tribute to the new bishop, describing him as "a skilled theologian" who had served at third level in both St Patrick's College Carlow and St Mary's University College in Belfast. Since returning to parish work in Donegal, Bishop McGuckian said Fr Coll had served on the Diocesan Pastoral Council and worked closely with priests and people to promote Raphoe's Pastoral Plan 'Forward together; Ar aghaidh le chéile'.

I can say honestly that Ossory's gain will be our loss. We congratulate his father and mother, Willie and Kathleen, his brother and sisters and a wide circle of friends, knowing that his home parish of St Johnston will take pride in the choice of one of their own to serve as a bishop.