

St. Mary's Cathedral

25th June 2023

Twelfth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Please remember the following in your prayers

Eoin Starr, Drakelands
Ann Smith, Bishop Birch Place
Fr Frank Maher, Johnstown

MONTHS MIND

11 am Elaine Phelan, Dean Cavanagh Place

ANNIVERSARIES

11 am Kit and Gerry Delaney Emmet Street
Tessie and Paddy Allwright
Charlie Nicholson, Dominic Street
5.30pm Maura Heffernan, Dean Cavanagh Place

Matthew Murray, Matt Quinlan, Johanna O'Dwyer, Joe Heffernan, Seamus McGuinness.

NEXT WEEKS ANNIVERSARIES

11 am Susan Phelan, St. Francis Terrace
Kevin Egan, Drakelands
Mike Quinlan, Dominic Street
Danny Phelan, Stephen Street.

PARISH OFFICE

The parish office will be open on Monday, Tuesday and Friday during this coming week.

DIOCESAN DRAW

The June draw will take place in Slieverue Community Hall. Thank to the parish of Slieverue for hosting this draw and mile buíochais to all who have supported this important source of income for the work in our Cathedral. Thanks to promoters for their continued commitment. Best of luck to all on Wednesday night.

GRAVEYARD MASSES - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

St Kieran's Cemetery Mass - Friday, 30th June, 7.30pm
Foulkstown Cemetery Mass - Thursday, 27th July - 7.30pm

COELIAC AND HOLY COMMUNION

Please note that if you are gluten intolerant you are welcome to receive Holy Communion from the Ciborium that has Coeliac Hosts. Please present to receive in the right hand side aisle and indicate to the minster your preference

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Parish Office: 056 77 21253

DIocese OF OSSORY CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS 2023

Bishop Niall Coll has announced the following clerical appointments for the Diocese of Ossory which are to come into effect on Saturday, 29th July 2023.

Rev. Dan Carroll, Team Leader, St John's Parish, Kilkenny, is to be in addition Vicar General.

Rev. Thomas Norris, C.C., St. Canice's Parish to retire and reside in Thomastown Parish.

Rev. Peter Muldowney, Team Leader, St Patrick's Parish to retire and to be available to assist in parishes as needed.

Mgr. Michael Ryan, P.P., Castlecomer Parish to retire and reside at St John's Presbytery.

Rev. Richard Scriven, Adm., St Mary's Cathedral, Kilkenny, is appointed P.P. of Castlecomer Parish and Adm. of Clogh Parish.

Rev. Dermot Ryan, President of St Kieran's College is to be in addition Adm. of St Mary's Cathedral and is to reside in the Cathedral Parochial House.

Rev. Kieran O'Shea, P.P., Ferrybank and Slieverue Parishes, is appointed Team Leader of St Patrick's Parish.

Rev. Roderick Whearty, Team Leader, St Patrick's Parish, is appointed P.P. Ferrybank and Slieverue Parishes.

Rev. William Hennessy, Adm, Conahy Parish is appointed P.P. of Conahy Parish.

Rev. Brian Griffin, Adm., Camross and Castletown Parishes, is appointed P.P. of Camross and Castletown Parishes, and also as Diocesan Director of Ecumenism.

Rev. Mark Condon, P.P. Danesfort Parish, to remain in that role and is appointed Diocesan Vocations Director.

Please keep in your prayers those priests who are involved in these appointments and the people and parishes where they will serve.

ROSARY ON THE GREEN

The Rosary will be recited at the statue of Our Lady on St. James Green on Thursday 29th of June at 6.30PM. The prayer intention is for the Pro-Life.

JULY 1ST PROLIFE RALLY DUBLIN 2023

A bus will leave at 9.30am outside Loughboy Shopping Centre Kilkenny. This is an important rally as TD's debate the 3-day waiting limit, TD's also recently supported a new abortion bill that is seeking 6-month abortion on demand for any reason. To book your seat (€20 hopefully), contact Ron 0866696632

BECOME A FRIEND OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

THE FOURTH BELL OF THE CATHEDRAL

The bell used most recently during Mass dates from the 1930s.

Restored recently by Irish Church Metals of Dublin Mr Vincent Byrne commented that the workmanship of the bells is of the 1930s and manufactured by John Smith of Wicklow Street, Dublin. Vincent's grandfather trained and worked in this company. In turn now his son and grandson are in the business in Dublin.

Smyth & Sons were very large employers of labour with as many as fifty hands being kept constantly employed at their factory in the manufacture of the various sacred vessels and articles of altar decoration made by the house, which was established in 1840. About 5,000 ounces of silver were annually used by the firm. John Smith who founded the company in 1840 was joined by his sons John, Thomas, and Francis and the company.

Smith and Sons was described in *A Literary, Commercial and Social Review of Ireland* written in 1892: *For the lengthened period of upwards of half a century past the eminent firm of Messrs. John Smyth And Sons, artists in metal, wood, and stone; manufacturers of articles for ecclesiastical, civic, and domestic purposes, etc., has sustained a unique reputation for the artistic superiority of the productions of the house. which are in every respect worthy of the best traditions of Irish industry.*

What is unusual about the 1930 bell is that there are four bell domes on the stem – generally these types of church bells have three domes.

While they are the same in size there is a ring inserted within the bell which changes the pitch and hence the sonorous tone that we hear at mass.

The bells are bronze rather than brass; brass would not give the same sound.

SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH

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