

St. Mary's Cathedral
4th June 2023
TRINITY SUNDAY

When we consider the Trinity, we are dealing with a great mystery. Yet any child can grasp it in such a way as to be able to pray it and live it. We think of God as our father (and Mother), a parent who loves us deeply. We think of Jesus as our Brother who gave his life for us. And we think of the Holy Spirit as a friend who helps us to live like Jesus, and who binds us together as brothers and sisters in a community of faith and love. As Christians, this is the atmosphere in which we live, and move, and have our being.

Please remember the following in your prayers

RECENTLY DECEASED

Seamus Rafter, The Scailp

MONTHS MIND

11am Margaret Trehy, The Sycamores

ANNIVERSARIES

11am Mary Christina O'Hara

Kitty Mulcahy, Edward Burke, Joe and Mollie Bergin, Mary and James O'Brien.

NEXT WEEKS ANNIVERSARIES

11.00 Kathleen and Richard Kenny, Drakelands

MONTHS MIND

11.00 Joe Walton, Dean Cavanagh Place

GRAVEYARD MASSES - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

St Kieran's Cemetery Mass - Friday, 30th June, 7.30pm

Foulkstown Cemetery Mass - Thursday, 27th July - 7.30pm

PARISH OFFICE

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

CATHEDRAL DRAW

Congratulations to the winners of the May Draw – particularly local winners. The top prize of €2,000 stayed in the parish. Thanks again to all promoters who have given a great commitment to this important source of funding for the Cathedral.

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Anniversary of Fr Ragheed Ganni

Fr Ragheed Ganni was assassinated along with three fellow clergy outside his parish church in Iraq as they left from Sunday Mass on Pentecost Sunday 2007.

Fr Ragheed he was a regular visitor to St Mary's when he stayed in Kilkenny on holiday during his studies for priesthood in the Irish College in Rome.

The cause for his beatification has been introduced in Rome. Pope Francis wore a stole that belonged to Ragheed at a memorial liturgy in honour of the martyrs of our times.

A memorial card of Fr Ragheed was placed beneath the altar along with relics of Nano Nagle, Catherine McAuley and Blessed Edmund Rice in the work of 2022.

We remember Fr Ragheed and his companions who for their faith were martyred. Ar dheis Dé go raibh siad.

ANAM CARA SOUTHEAST

Anam Cara Southeast will host its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 13th June at 7:15pm in the Brandon House Hotel, New Ross. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on info@anamcara.ie or 085 2888 888 for any queries.

REMEMBRANCE CELEBRATION

A Peace and Remembrance Conference will be held at the Kilford Arms Hotel on 13th June the Feast of St. Anthony and Yeats's Day. Featuring talks, music, poetry. Free admission. All welcome

OSSORY ADULT FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Holy Land Pilgrimage 2024 Ossory AFD Holy Land Pilgrimage - 19th to 26th February 2023. Led by Fr Dermot Ryan and Fr Kieran O'Shea. Cost - €1,615p.p. sharing. For Booking contact Kieran and Laura Troy, Newtown, Rahan, Tullamore, Co. Offaly on 057 935 5050/ info@myriam.ie.

SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH

CONTACT The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person, Ms. Kathleen Sherry, 085 802 1633 - dlp@ossory.ie

OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE:
Sr Betty Cagney

Counselling Services - Towards Healing Confidential Helpline 1800 313 316 – www.towardshealing.ie
Please consult the diocesan website (www.ossory.ie) for all relevant documents and diocesan policies.

JUNE – MONTH OF THE SUN AND EXAMS

The sun shines so wonderfully these days. Enough indication to remind us that it is time for Leaving and Junior Certificate examinations. We wish the young men and women all the best of luck during these challenging days. Here is a prayer that may help them or can be paraphrased for you to pray for them:

PRAYER FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR EXAMS

Dear Lord, as I take this exam,
I thank you that my value
is not based on my performance,
but on your great love for me.

Come into my heart
so that we can walk
through this time together.
Help me, not only with this test,
but the many tests of life
that are sure to come my way.

As I take this exam,
bring back to my mind
everything I studied
and be gracious with what
I have overlooked.
Help me to remain focused and calm,
confident in the facts and in my ability,
and firm in the knowledge
that no matter what happens today,
you are there with me. Amen.

CATHEDRAL CONCERT

Thanks to Lehigh University Choir for their recent visit to Kilkenny and their concert in St Mary's Cathedral. A generous donation of €1,100 was given to Mother of Fair Love School for their music programme. Well done to all.

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