

St. Mary's Cathedral

30th July 2023

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Please remember the following in your prayers

Henry Murphy, The Sycamores
Ann Morrissey, Waterbarrack

ANNIVERSARIES

5.30pm Liam Fitzpatrick, Fr. Murphy Square

Patrick Hickey, Michael and Declan Lawlor, Annie
Campion, Davy, Jim and Peggy Gaffney.

NEXT WEEKS ANNIVERSARIES

11am Mary and Billy Coyne, Old Callan Road
JohnJoe Hennebry, Dunmore.

GETTING MARRIED IN ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Please contact the Parish office to enquire about getting married in St Mary's Cathedral. There have been a number of enquiries about weddings for 2024 and 2025 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.

BAPTISMS IN ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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

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

CATHEDRAL DRAW

Congratulations to all who won in the July Draw which took place last Wednesday in the Chapter House. As ever it was great that there were some local winners. The results are on the parish website and Cathedral Noticeboard. Thanks to all promoters and supporters. The August Draw will be the final draw in this 12 month cycle and the new draw will commence in September.

PARISH OFFICE

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

PRIORY INSTITUTE DUBLIN

Two week summer school on the Gospel of John will run from 14 to 28th August. The course will include eight recorded presentations and two online zoom discussions. See www.prioryinstitute.com for further information and registration.

ANNUAL CAMINO WALK

On Sunday July 30th at 2.30 pm the annual Camino walk will take place in Jenkinstown Park. The walk will start in the carpark of Jenkinstown Church and will stop at different points to remember the themes and pointers of the Santiago de Compostela walk. Pilgrim reflections and thoughts from Santiago will be read and a stop at St. Colman's well will be part of the annual walk. This years walk will coincide with the Camino gathering in the Cathedral of Santiago De Compostela. Blessed medals from Santiago will be given to each walker. All Welcome.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

It's not too late to visit Lourdes this summer. The last few places on a number of group Pilgrimages in August are still available for you to join. Choose from 4, 5 and 7 night options all staying in 4* hotels with flights, transfers, guide & Spiritual Directors throughout. Contact Marian Pilgrimages – 01 878 8149

SAFEGUARDING IN OUR PARISH

CONTACT The Diocesan Designated Liaison Person,
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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.

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CATHEDRAL**

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WORLD YOUTH DAYS – LISBON AUGUST 2023

World Youth Day (WYD) is A gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope that takes place every four years. It is also a pilgrimage, a celebration of youth, an expression of the universal Church and an intense moment of evangelization for the youth world. Although its Catholic identity is clearly evident, WYD opens its doors to everyone, no matter how close to or distant from the Church they are or not.

Pope Francis chose the theme for this year's gathering in Lisbon: Mary arose and went with haste» (Lk 1:39). The biblical phrase (a quote from the Gospel of St. Luke) opens the account of the Visitation when Mary visited her cousin Elizabeth upon receiving the message from the angel that she would be the mother of the Son of God.

Mary of Nazareth is the great figure of the Christian journey. She teaches us to say yes to God. Mary is presented as both a woman of charity and a missionary woman.

Addressing young people in particular, and challenging them to be courageous missionaries, the following was written by Pope Francis when he invited all to Lisbon: « Where does Jesus send us? There are no borders, no limits: he sends us everywhere. The Gospel is for everyone, not just for some » (CV 177).

Thanks and Arrivederci

A word of thanks to all for their best wishes and prayers as I leave St Mary's to begin my appointment in Castlecomer Parish. I wish you and your families God's blessing as I depart for pastures new.

It has been a wonderful five years here in St Mary's where I was extremely happy in the centre of the Marble City perched here on high in 'Windy Harbour'. To have been here during the time of renovation of our beautiful cathedral has been a joy and a blessing. The work begun nearly 15 years ago has gifted us with a magnificent sacred space that will serve us and many generations to come.

Thanks to those who prepared the evening of celebration in the Chapter House on Friday evening and to all who attended. It has been like all my other appointments in St Kieran's College, St John's and Inistioge a wonderfully grace filled time. I pray God's blessing upon you all and wish Fr Dermot Ryan the very best as he begins his ministry here the cathedral parish. *Beirigi uile bua agus beannacht agus gach rath oraibh amach anseo.*
Fr Scriven.