

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL
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26th May 2024 – The Most Holy Trinity

A Thought...

These past weeks have seen the secondary schools throughout the city mark the graduation of their leaving certificate classes. The Catholic Secondary Schools have done this in the context of the celebration of Mass. It is a fitting way to bring to a close this part of their school journey. The Mass is a prayer of thanksgiving and no doubt all in our schools have much to be thankful for as their days there draw to a close: friendships; lessons learned; memories; laughs and so much more. As they head into the workplace, college, an apprenticeship or one of the many other paths available to them, we pray that they will know the worth they each have. Some exam or result will never define us as people – we are all so much more than that.

Fr Dermot

Please remember the following in your prayers

Months Mind

Margaret (Peggy) Kerwick, Fr Albert Place

Anniversaries

11am Mairead and Seamus Dowling, Fr Murphy Square.

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Colette O'Hare, Agnes Dermody, Brendan Corcoran.

Weekly Collections

Envelope Collection €280.00; Baskets €1412.25. Your support of the parish is greatly appreciated.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Ossory pilgrimage to Lourdes is taking place this week and will finish on 27th May. While on pilgrimage the intentions of the people of the diocese and the needs of our diocese are being remembered during all liturgies. The pilgrimage will include 23 assisted pilgrims and 40 young people from secondary schools in the Diocese. Our sincere thanks to all who assisted funding the pilgrimage costs in anyway especially those who contributed to the church collections for this purpose.

Rosary at the Grotto

Rosary will be recited each Sunday during May at the Grotto, Callan Road at 3.00pm.

Diocesan Draw

The May draw will take place next Wednesday at 8pm in the Chapter House. All welcome.

Corpus Christi Procession 2024

On the weekend of the 2nd June we will celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi - the Body and Blood of Jesus. This year we are going to move the celebration of the 5.30 p.m. Mass from St Mary's Cathedral to the grounds of St Kieran's College. Hopefully, the weather will oblige, and the Mass will be on the front lawn with a Corpus Christi Procession afterwards in the grounds of the College. Our celebration will be led by Bishop Niall. This gathering in faith will help us recall the days when many of the people of Kilkenny used go to the College on that June weekend for the first blessings of the newly ordained priests.

Moving the 5.30pm Sunday Mass

Please note the 5.30 Sunday Mass next weekend, 2nd June, will be on the front lawn of St Kieran's College. There will be no 5.30pm Mass here.

All Ireland Rosary Rally - Knock - Saturday, June 1st

Join thousands of people from around Ireland and beyond for the All Ireland Rosary Rally on June 1st. The day begins at 9.30am with a Conference in St. John's Centre. Speakers include Fr Brendan Kilcoyne, Fr Joseph Mary Deane CFR, and Sr Ana Margarita Lanzas SCTJM. Then there is a chance to meet over 20 apostolates from around Ireland in St John Centre from 1130am. The keynote speaker, Mother Adela Galindo, is coming from Miami, Florida, and she will speak in the Basilica at 1pm. The Stations of the Cross will be outside from 2pm, followed by the Rosary procession. Mass will commence at 3pm in the Basilica and will include the anointing of the sick. Bishop Phonsie Cullinan will be the Main Celebrant. Dana will join the choir to sing. There will also be rosary and scapular making workshops in the marquee. Over 50 buses are going from around Ireland. See www.allirelandrosaryrally.com for more details.

Rosary James's Green

Rosary at the statue of Our Lady, James's Green on Thursday, 30th May at 6.30pm

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