



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

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14th July 2024 – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Thought...

People joke about the three best things of teaching – June, July and August - and it is true these are the school summer holidays and many get to travel. But I am conscious of the many principals and chairpersons who are contacting the office in these weeks as they look to ratify teaching appointments – they are busy doing interviews and if they are doing that many young teachers are busy compiling CVs and trying to get a start somewhere. Spare a thought for all those on behind the scenes to ensure that our schools are ready to welcome all back in a few weeks time.

Fr Dermot

Please remember the following in your prayers

Recently Deceased

Eamonn Brady, Chicago and late of Fr Murphy Square
Oliver Young, Callan and late of St Francis Terrace.

Anniversaries

11.00am – **Months Mind** - Peter O'Dwyer, Old Callan Road.
Mary Neary, Kickham Street, Bridie and Bill Brennan, Fatima Place, Michael Quinlan,
Dominic Street, Danny Phelan, Stephen Street.
5.30pm - Owen O'Neill, Fr Murphy Square.
Sarah Meredith, Mary Delaney, Tom and Pauline Knox, Peter Teehan, Thomas and Mary Fry,
David Gaffney, Christy, Brigid and Pat Murray.

Weekly Collections

Envelope Collection €440.00; Baskets €960.20. Your support of the parish is greatly appreciated.

The Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock

The Pioneer Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Sunday 21st July. Mass at 3pm will be followed by Eucharistic Blessing and Procession to the Shrine. Pioneers along with friends and relations of people who are living "one day at a time" with addiction are most welcome.

Light the Fire Pilgrimage

The Light the Fire Pilgrimage at Ballintubber Abbey, Co Mayo will take place on Sunday, 4 August, from 12.00pm to 4.00pm. Archbishop Francis Duffy, along with Deacon John Taaffe will celebrate Mass as part of the Light the Fire rosary/healing service. Eurovision's Dana Rosemary Scanlon will also sing her new song for Saint Patrick which recalls how our patron saint lit the fire of faith.

Would you consider becoming a Friend of St Mary's Cathedral

We are in the process of delivering envelopes to all the homes in the parish. These letters invite you to become a friend of the Cathedral through a regular monthly contribution or an annual donation. Your financial support would give us the freedom to develop the Cathedral but also, and perhaps more importantly, the interest and affirmation of the Friends will ensure that the future of the Cathedral will be secure for the next generation. If you are able to help, a sincere thank you.

Greeters

We are looking for volunteers – this past week the Parish Pastoral Council met and one of the items they suggested was our having someone to greet familiar faces as they come into the Cathedral for weekend Masses – or even to welcome visitors who are with us for just that one Sunday. If you would be happy to help with this please contact me or Rita in the office.

Reek Sunday 28th July

2024 is the dedicated Year of Prayer and Reek Sunday is on 28 July. This year, the annual pilgrimage takes place on the weekend of 26 – 28 July. On this day we also celebrate World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly #ElderlyandGrandparents

We need some help...

If you would be in a position to help deliver envelopes to the following areas of the parish we would greatly appreciate it. These areas do not have people to deliver and we would like to be able to engage with families in these parts of our parish too. **Collier's Lane; Robert's Hill**
If you can help in any of these areas please let us know.

Bereavement Support Line

The Bereavement Support Line, set up by the Irish Hospice Foundation in partnership with the HSE, is a freephone service available mornings Monday to Friday. It provides a confidential safe space for those who have lost a loved one. Bereavement Support Line: 1800 807 077 Mon - Fri; 10.00am to 1.00pm.

St Mary's Cathedral, Chapter House Bookshop

welcomes you to visit the shop which is now open 5 days a week.
Monday 9.30am till 1.00pm. Tuesday - Friday 9.30am till 5.00pm.

Readers Next Weekend 11am Michael Whelan, 5.30pm Maria Ryan
Eucharistic Ministers 11.00am Bobby Quinn, David Quinn, Noreen Molloy
5.30pm Kathleen Lawlor, Kate Meighan

YOUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES:
Sr Betty Cagney and Martina Lawlor Contact: safeguardingstmarys@ossory.ie

Please consult the Diocesan website (www.ossory.ie) for all relevant documents and diocesan policies. If you, or anyone you know, has a Safeguarding concern please contact:

Diocesan Director of Safeguarding and Designated Liaison Person, DLP, Ailish Higgins at 087 8021633

TUSLA: Kilkenny 052 6177302; Laois/Offaly 044 9353997; Waterford 053 9198201

An Garda Síochána: 1800 555 222 or your local Garda Station

Towards Healing Helpline: 1800 313416 www.towardshealing.ie

Towards Peace Helpline: 01 5053028 www.towardspeace.ie

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CATHEDRAL at www.stmaryscathedral.ie/friends