Church of The Immaculate Conception Castlecomer

Parish Newsletter Sunday 23rd July 2023

Blessed Are Those Who Die In The Lord

Died Recently

Joanie Frances Nolan (née Shanahan) Marymount/Ballymouge, Rathoe, Co. Carlow.

Anniversaries

Joan & Larry Pender (Sun. 11.00am.)
Orpington, Kent, England.
Also Joan's parents Brigid & Pierce Kenny
Byrnesgrove.

John & Nancy Keating (Wed. 9.00am.)
Aughamuckey.
Liam Walsh (Thurs. 9.00am.) Marymount.

Mary Coady (Fri. 9.00am.) The Square.
Sean Phelan (Sat. 10.00am.) Smithstown.

Saturday, 29th July at 7.00pm. Month's Mind

Martin Hurley 1 Hillside View.

Sunday, 30th July at 11.00am.

Séan O'Meara Mayo/Maryville. Patrick (Pat) O'Meara 45 Hillside View.

Prayer for Vocations

'O Jesus, send labourers into your fields, which are awaiting holy apostles, Saintly priests, heroic missionaries and dedicated sisters and brothers.

Enkindle in the hearts of men and women the spark of a vocation.

Grant that Christian families may desire to give to your Church Helpers in the work of tomorrow.

Amen.'

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Readers for next Weekend Vigil Mass – Saturday

7.00pm. Mr. Martin Walsh. Sunday 8.00am. Mr. Donal Dunne.

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Eucharistic Ministers Rota 9.00am. Monday, 24th – Friday, 28th July John Kelly

10.00am. Saturday, 29th July John Kelly

7.00pm. Saturday, 29th July

Ingrid Brennan

8.00am. Sunday, 30th July Noreen Curry

11.00am. Sunday, 30th July Angela Molloy

Parish Office

Open on Monday and Friday in the coming week from 9:30am – 1:30pm.
Only one person in the Parish Office at a time.

Weekly Envelope/Church Collection

Sunday, 16th July - €1,605. 00 Sincere thanks. Celebration of Mass on Occasion of Fr. Michael Ryan's Retirement as Parish Priest (1995 -2023)

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,
I feel humbled and greatly honoured at
this great gathering of parishioners who
fill this Church this evening for this Mass
of Thanks and Remembrance which Fr.
Ian and I offer for all the people of the
parish, those present here and those
praying with us through our Parish
Webcam.

It has been an honour and privilege for me to have been your P.P. for the past 28 vears. I know vou will extend a warm welcome to Fr. Richard Scriven when he will offer his first Mass as your P.P. next Saturday evening. He comes to this appointment with a wealth of experience since his Ordination in 1984. As P.P. of Inistinge and Administrator of St. Mary's Cathedral and before all that we spent many years together on Staff of St. Kieran's College. We are very good friends for all those years. Fr. Ian and I wish him every blessing, good health and peace as he begins his Pastoral Ministry here.....

On the 9th July 1995 I introduced myself to you as your new P.P. and this evening as your old P.P. may I quote what I ended with then. With faith in the God we believe in as a loving father, with love for one another in our hearts let us together priests and people, in the words of the Prophet Micah (6.8)

'This is what God asks of you, only this, to act justly, to love tenderly, and to walk humbly with your God.'

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly
(Quote from Pope Francis)
We must treasure the spiritual and human
wealth that has been handed down from
generation to generation.

Prayer for Grandparents

Written by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI in 2008 for the Catholic Grandparents Association

Lord Jesus,

you were born of the Virgin Mary,
the daughter of Saints Joachim and Anne.
Look with love on grandparents
the world over.
Protect them!

They are a source of enrichment for families, for the Church and for all of society.

Support them! As they grow older, may they continue to be for their families strong pillars of Gospel faith, guardians of noble domestic ideals, living treasuries of sound religious traditions.

Make them teachers of wisdom and courage, that they may pass on to future generations the fruits of their mature human and spiritual experience.

Amen

Appointment

Recently Bishop Niall Coll appointed Fr. Mark Condon, P.P. Danesfort Parish as Diocesan Vocations Director. Please keep him in your prayers.

Hospitality Committee

Hospitality Committee (funerals & other events) looking for more volunteers.

If you are willing to help please contact Peggy Power on 086 3937996.

Every Sunday Afternoon

A group of parishioners will pray the Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3.00pm.