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ST AIDAN'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

ENNISCORTHY, DIOCESE OF FERNS

NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 9th MAY

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



ST. AIDAN'S CATHEDRAL HAS A **LIVE WEBCAM** STREAMING 24 HOURS A DAY. THE CAMERA IS FOCUSED ON THE ALTAR, SANCTUARY, FRONT STEPS AND FIRST TWO SEATS IN THE CENTRE AISLE. SUNDAY MASSES ARE RECORDED AND RETAINED ON CHURCH SERVICES TV WEBSITE FOR ONE MONTH. YOU CAN WATCH MASS & SERVICES LIVE FROM ST. AIDAN'S CATHEDRAL BY GOING TO <http://www.churchservices.tv/enniscorthycathedral>. Compliant with all GDPR requirements.

Reopening for Public Masses

As you are probably aware we are allowed to resume public worship from Monday, 10th May. Our normal weekday mass will continue each day at 10am with 50 worshippers being allowed at each mass. When attending mass in The Cathedral please observe the following:

1. **Wear a mask,**
2. **Sanitise your hands upon entry and exit,**
3. **Sit on your own or with members of your own household,**
4. **Maintain proper social distancing.**

Weekend Mass Times

During this time of reopening we will celebrate four masses each weekend:

Saturday 6pm & 7pm
Sunday 10am & 12noon

All intentions for the weekend will be prayed for at each mass.

Please follow the instructions from our stewards when you are attending masses.

The Parish Office and Shop

We are closed to the public until 17th May. For the coming week we will operate 'click & collect'.

The telephone is attended Monday to Friday from 10am until 1pm. Outside these times you may leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible. If at all possible please conduct all business over the phone (053 9235777). Thank you.

Baptisms

We will resume baptisms from 16th May at 1pm each Sunday in May and June. From July onwards they will be on the first and third Sunday at 1pm. 4 Adults and the child may attend the baptism (only). Please call the parish office to organise a date on 053 9235777.

REFLECTION

Our insistence that each human being is an image of God should not make us overlook the fact that each creature has its own purpose. None is superfluous. The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains: everything is, as it were, a caress of God." (Paragraph 84) Laudato Si

It is traditional for Catholics to put up a May Altar in our homes. The idea is to honour Our Lady. Traditionally May was welcomed as the first of summertime. Early summer flowers are usually yellow or blue –daffodils, primroses, bluebells and buttercups, for example. The yellow reflects the brightness and warmth of summer and is believed to protect the home, families and livestock. To create your May Altar all you need is a little table and place on it a cloth, a statue of Our Lady, some wild flowers in a little pot and a candle or night-light. This is a wonderful tradition in families to pray at your May Altar.



The Diocese of Ferns Virtual Pilgrimage to Lourdes

9th to 13th May 2021

The Masses and ceremonies will be on-line only and will come from St. Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy. Join us at www.churchservices.tv/enniscorthycathedral.

Mass intentions can be posted/emailed to St. Aidan's Cathedral and will be placed on the Altar for the duration of the Pilgrimage.
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Lourdes: a place of grace, peace and resilience

Sunday 9th May

10am: Bishop Brennan will celebrate Mass launching the virtual pilgrimage and light the Lourdes Candle.

7pm: Fr. Jim Doyle will guide us through a time of gentle prayer and adoration, recalling our quiet times at the grotto.

Monday 10th May

10am: Fr. Odhrán Furlong will celebrate Mass and short reflection

7pm: Fr. Matt Boggan guides us through the mysteries of the Rosary

Tuesday 11th May

10am: Fr. Ricky O'Connor will celebrate Mass and share a short reflection

7pm: Fr. Billy Swan will pray us around the Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 12th May

10am: Msgr. Joe McGrath will celebrate Mass and share a short reflection

7pm: Fr. Billy Caulfield will lead our evening prayer on God's healing grace

Thursday 13th May

10am: Fr. Brian Broaders celebrates Mass and share a short reflection

7pm: Fr. Aodhán Marken will bring the Virtual Pilgrimage to a close with a ceremony of Light

ROSARY FOR MAY ONLINE

As you are aware, Pope Francis has requested that during the month of May the intercession of Our Lady be invoked to bring and end to the pandemic. During May, selected Marian Shrines all over the world unite in prayer of supplication for this purpose. On **Monday, 10th May** at the Shrine of Our Lady of Knock, the intention for the prayer on that day will be: 'For All People With Disabilities'. Beginning at 5pm Prayers and Rosary will be recited live and will be streamed live from <http://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live> and on Knock Shrine Facebook Page.

PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

We are currently having trouble posting to our Parish Facebook Page. We hope that this will be resolved soon.

MASS CARD SERVICE

We continue to offer a phone service for those of you who would like to arrange a Mass card to be sent on your behalf or directly to you. Simply contact the Parish Office on 053 9235777 and your call will be answered or you may have the opportunity to leave a message and your call will be returned. We will then fill out the card on your behalf and put it in the post. you may pay the mass donation using your Debit/Credit card.

ENVELOPES AND DONATIONS

We thank you for your continued and very valued generosity, support and patience during these extraordinary times. Despite the many challenges, the mission of the parish goes on and your material support in making that happen is very much appreciated. With that in view and in the absence of Sunday and weekday Masses, you can leave your envelopes (both pink and white) into the parish office at any time during the coming weeks or you may ring the office (053 9235777) to update your payments by Debit/Credit Card.

PARISH WEEKLY ENVELOPES (White)

Minimum weekly running cost of parish is €2500

2nd May 2021 = €1405

*Thank you for your valued
Contributions during these difficult times
and for your continued
support of the parish and priests*

FUNERALS

Will take place and we adhere strictly to the advised restriction of **25 persons only**

READERS FOR 16th MAY

Saturday	6pm -	Marie O'Tiarnaigh
Sunday	10am -	Eddie Murphy
	12noon -	Neil O'Sullivan

All readers are encouraged to come along and read at their allotted time if they can. Thank you.

MAGNIFICAT BOOK

May edition now available at the parish office.
Ring 0539235777 to organise your copy.

OUR LADY OF KNOCK CD SINGLE AVAILABLE

By P J O'Connor

The CD is available from the parish office (€5), by post €6. Contact the parish office 053 9235777 for your copy.
All profits are in aid of St. Aidan's Parish.

Thank you for your support.

ONLINE QUIZ

Mary's Meals, feeds almost 2 million hungry children every school day in a place of education. An Online Quiz, to support their efforts, takes place on the **last Friday of EVERY month at 8pm**. To join/donate go to www.bit.ly/QuizforMM or contact Martin Colfer on 087 2596159. Thank you.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The local branch are seeking a sofa bed in good condition. If you can help call 087 1413153. Thank you.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

(St. Aphonsus de Liguori)

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK - MONDAY TO SUNDAY

MONDAY	10am	Paul Rossiter, Paul Walsh Both RD
TUESDAY	10am	Special Intention for Cathal McSherry Deceased Benefactors of the Cathedral and the Peoples Intentions. Michael Fallon RD
WEDNESDAY	10am	Larry Kelly, Nancy Wall Both RD
THURSDAY	10am	Larry Kelly, Larry Joyce Both RD
FRIDAY	10am	The Redmond Family Intentions
SATURDAY	10am	Thomas Maher Birthday Rem/RIP
Vigil	6pm	Liam Kirwan, Stephen O'Leary RD
		Sr. Bella Carroll Months Mind
		Nancy Connolly, Helen Kehoe,
		Tom Barry, Noel Redmond All Anniv
SUNDAY	10am	Eileen Higgins 1st Anniv & her
12 noon		parents Sean & Peg Walsh,
		Denis Millar 1st Anniv
		Thomas O'Connor, Anna Eivers,
		Breda & Tim Walsh, Thomas, Annie &
		Ned Dagg, Gerard Canavan,
		Betty Browne, Pauline Berry All Annivs

RECENTLY DECEASED

Liam Kirwan, Bellefield
Bernie Lock, Taghmon
Tom Murphy, Cherryorchard Heights
Giovanni (Joe) Marcella, Monfin
May they rest in peace



CONFESSIONS:

Confessions will resume on
Friday & Saturday after 10am Mass
and on Saturday at 5:30pm.

THE HOOK OF FAITH

Would you like to receive a reflection by Bishop Robert Barron on the daily and Sunday Gospels each morning via email? If so, you can do for free through www.wordonfire.org. Our video this week is a thorough examination of the damaging effects of the 'hook up culture' - discussed by Ben Shapiro and Jordan Peterson. The Homily this week is by Fr Michael O'Shea who reflects on the great commandment of Jesus at the Last Supper - that we love one another as he has loved us. We have an article that explores human woundedness as a route to faith and a video that asks how rational and tolerant is atheism. Finally, we have more poetry by Deirdre McGarry, a reflection on mystery by the late Cardinal Basil Hume and a prayer by David Carroll.

check out these and other resources available at
www.thehookoffaith.com

COVID-19 SUPPORT FOR THE OLDER PERSON ALONE:

ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID-19 (Coronavirus). Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

SENIORLINE: National Confidential Listening Service for Older people. Open everyday from 10am to 10pm. **FREE-PHONE** 1800 80 4591. fully trained staff there for you with understanding, guidance, informing, reassuring and listening.

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CONTACT LINE 087 1413153.

