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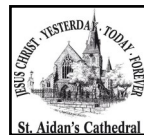
# ST AIDAN'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

ENNISCORTHY, DIOCESE OF FERNS

## NEWSLETTER

SUNDAY 16TH JANUARY 2022

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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.

## Weekend Masses in

St. Aidan's Cathedral

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 10am & 12noon

*Please book Anniversary Mass well in advance*

## ST. PAUL'S SUNDAY MISSAL

Parish Ministers of the Word are invited to collect their missal from the Sacristy.

## LIVING FAITH BOOKLET

We have been assured by the supplier that the booklet has been dispatched (from the UK) but has been delayed.

When it arrives we will let you know.

Apologies for the inconvenience.

## ST. AIDAN'S PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have now commenced accepting applications for Enrolments for our **Junior Infant Classes 2022/2023**

You can now apply online on our website. [www.staidansps.ie](http://www.staidansps.ie)

Please read our **Admission Policy** for full information in respect of all applications, this is available to view on our website also. **Closing date for Junior Infant applications 1st February 2022.** Application forms for any of our Special Classes are only available by post, you can request one by emailing [info@staidansps.ie](mailto:info@staidansps.ie)

Sent on behalf of the School Principal, Mr. Frank Murphy.

## THE HOOK OF FAITH

'DEVOTION' is the title of the recently published memoir of former Tyrone All-Ireland winning coach Micky Harte. In a moving testimony to the tragic loss of his daughter, Micky speaks of the value and gift of his Christian faith in coping with her loss and finding meaning. Staying with the topic of meaning, Bishop Robert Barron explores the question of 'What makes Life Meaningful?' The Homily for the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time is offered by Bishop Ger Nash who reflects on the story of the Wedding Feast of Cana. We have the usual newsletter insert and look forward to the Week for Christian Unity which takes place from 18<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> January. Finally, Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> January marks what would have been the 50<sup>th</sup> birthday of Servant of God, Fr. Ragheed Ganni. Ibar Quirke reflects on his extraordinary witness and life. **Check out these and other resources available at [www.thehookoffaith.com](http://www.thehookoffaith.com)**

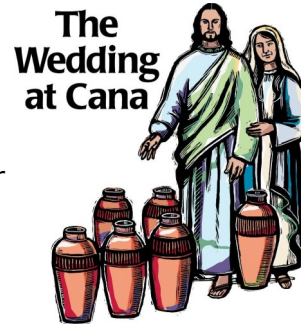
## REFLECTION

The words Mary addresses to the servants come to crown the wedding of Cana: '*Do whatever he tells you*' (v.5).

These are her last words recounted by the Gospels: they are the legacy that she hands down to us. Today too Our Lady says to us all: 'Whatever he tells you, do it'. It is beautiful! It is an expression that recalls the formula of faith used by the people of Israel at Sinai in response to the promises of the Covenant: 'all that the Lord has spoken we will do!' To serve the Lord means to listen and to put into practice his Word. It is the simple but essential recommendation of the mother of Jesus, and it is the programme of life of the Christian.

The wedding feast at Cana is more than a simple account of Jesus' first Miracle. Like a treasure chest, He guards the secret of his Person and the purpose of his coming: the awaited Groom starts off the wedding that is fulfilled in the Paschal Mystery. At this wedding Jesus binds his disciples to himself in a new and final Covenant. At Cana Jesus' disciples become his family and at Cana the faith of the Church is born. We are all invited to the wedding feast, because the new wine will never run short!

**Pope Francis**  
*Intercom Magazine*



## WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

*'We Saw His Star in the East'.*

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2022 has been prepared by the churches of the Middle East.

It is traditionally observed from the **18th to the 25th January** – the octave of St. Peter and St. Paul. However, some areas observe it at Pentecost or some other time.

The story of the Magi visiting the Holy Family in Bethlehem is one very familiar to us. The Magi have sometimes been seen as a symbol of the world's diversity – different religions and cultures – that comes to pay homage to the Christ-child. The story might therefore represent the unity of all creation that God desires.

As mentioned, the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in 2022 has been prepared by the churches of the Middle East, the history of which was, and still is, characterised by conflict and strife, tainted with blood and darkened by injustice and oppression. The Christians of the Middle East offer resources conscious that the world shares many of the travails and much of the difficulties that it experiences, and yearns for a light to lead the way to the Saviour who is the light that overcomes darkness.

Serving the Gospel today requires a commitment to the human being, especially the poorest, the weakest and those marginalised. It requires from the churches transparency and accountability in dealing with the world, and with each other. This means churches need to cooperate to provide relief to the afflicted, welcome the displaced, relieve the burdened, and to build a just and honest society. This is a call for churches to work together so that young people can build a good future according to God's heart, a future in which all human beings can experience life, peace, justice, and love.

### PARISH CALENDAR

Don't forget to pick up your copy of the Parish calendar and also one for a friend or neighbour. They are available in the Church and Parish Office.

### ENVELOPES AND DONATIONS

We thank you for your continued and very valued generosity. If you wish, you can continue to leave your envelopes (pink and white) into the parish office at any time or you may ring the office (053 9235777) to update your payments by Debit/Credit Card. Consider contributing by Standing Order.

#### PARISH WEEKLY ENVELOPES (White)

Minimum weekly running cost  
of parish is €2500

9th January 2022 = €1555

*Thank you for your valued Contributions*

### ENVELOPES 2022

Parishioners who are registered and who have not received their envelope boxes are asked to please contact the Parish Office.

If you are not registered with us, please give your consideration to contributing to the parish and Priests. You may contribute in several ways; weekly, monthly by Envelope box, standing order through your bank account, over the phone with your Debit/Credit card or call into the parish office and contribute directly. It can be done in whatever way is convenient for you. Your contributions are greatly valued and important for the running of the parish. **Thank You for you support.**

### MASS CARD SERVICE

We continue to offer our If you would like to arrange a Mass card to be sent on your behalf or directly to you, please contact the Parish Office on 053 9235777 to organise this. You may pay a donation using your Debit/Credit card.

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

*Adoration will take place*

**on the Main Altar on**

Thursday 10.30am to 11.30am

Friday 10.30 to 5pm

Saturday 10.30am to 11.30am

### CONFESSIONS:

Friday and Saturday after 10am Mass

Saturday at 5.30pm

### READERS FOR 23rd JANURAY

**Saturday Vigil** 6pm— Tommy Tyrrell

**Sunday** 10am - Jim Kelly

12noon— James McLaughlin



### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL LOCAL  
CONFIDENTIAL**

**CONTACT LINE 087 1413153.**

**Recycle your used Paper Bags**

If you have paper bags stored at home and would like to recycle them, please take them to the local 'Vincent's' shop in Market Square. They would be delighted to have them as their stocks are running low. Thank you.

**PLEASE TAKE A COPY OF THE NEWSLETTER  
HOME WITH YOU FOR TO A NEIGHBOUR,  
RELATIVE or FRIEND.**

### 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. Aphonius de Liguori)*

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK MONDAY TO SUNDAY

**MONDAY 10am** Tom Chapman **Anniv**, Winnie Doyle **RD**  
Geraldine Moynihan O'Connor **Rem**  
Deceased Kirwan family, Jim Sinnott  
**B'day Rem**, 2 x Special Intention.

**TUESDAY 10am** Intention for Helen Kelly, Deceased  
Benefactors & Peoples Intentions,  
Bridget O'Mahoney **Rem**, Deceased  
Roche Family, Anna Rath **Anniv**

**WEDNESDAY 10am** Intentions of Mary, Sadie Murphy  
**Months Mind**, Sheila English, Mary  
Nolan, Albert Byrne **All Anniv**

**THURSDAY 10am** Margaret O'Shea, Elizabeth Dunne,  
Jean Scallon **Annivs**, Seamus Kenny  
**RD, Funeral in Oxford today**  
Michael Maher **RD**

**FRIDAY 10am** Declan O'Brien **B'day Rem/RIP**  
Grace Brophy, Maura Carthy, William  
O'Brien **Annivs**

**SAT 10am** Tara Manning, Susan Barnes **RD**  
Bridget Sheehan, Mary O'Connor **Annivs**

**SAT VIGIL 6pm** Daniel Bo Jordan, Caroline Horan **both**  
**Months Mind**, Marie Kehoe **1st Anniv**  
Breda O'Leary, Bill Maguire,  
Paul Lynch, John O'Sullivan,  
Sean Fitzpatrick **Annivs**

**SUNDAY 10am** Eilish Ryan, Mrs Brett **Annivs**

**12 Noon** Paddy Kane **1st Anniv**, Tommy  
Fenlon, Madge Murphy, Bridget  
Courtney **Annivs**



### RECENTLY DECEASED

Ellen (Nellie) Donegan, Cathedral Street  
Thomas Brophy, The Moyne

*May they rest in peace*

### THE SAINTS THIS WEEK

**Monday 17th—St. Anthony** or Anthony the Great, was a Christian monk from Egypt, 'Father of Monasticism,' he lived a life of solitude and also attracting many others to form communities of hermits. **Born:** January 12, 251 AD, Herakleopolis Magna, Egypt, **Died:** January 17, 356 AD.

**Thursday 20th— St. Fabian**—He was a pope for fourteen years when martyred under the Emperor Decius in the year 250.

**St. Sebastian**—may have been a soldier and was martyred in the persecution of Emperor Diocletian. He sustained many others in their trials.

**Friday 21st—St Agnes**—Wealthy and beautiful, was martyred in the last persecutions in Rome, in the early fourth century. Patron of betrothed couples, gardeners and young girls.

**Saturday 22nd—St. Vincent**, deacon of the church of Saragossa, Spain, martyred in 304 in Valencia after prolonged torture.