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Woman why turn to me?

My time has not yet come.

John 2:4

# St. Senan's Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 19th January 2025

# **Safeguarding Representatives**

Tina Merriman and Maria O'Shaughnessy Phone 053 92 61729

#### **PARISH WEBSITE**

## Integrated webcam and payment facility

St. Senan's Church has a live webcam streaming 24 hours a day. The Camera is focused on the Sanctuary and front seats of the old part of the church. Compliant with all GDPR requirements.

https://stsenansenniscorthy.ie

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

# Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> January Vigil

Eithne French (Months Mind)
Billy Dempsey (1st Anniversary)
Mark O'Reilly (A)
Joe & Josie Donohoe &
deceased family
Nellie Ryan (A)

### 11am

Jim Leacy (A) Richard Ormonde Snr (A) Sons Michael and Thomas

# Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> January Vigil

Patty and James (Bert) Murphy (Special Intention) Tom Brady (A) Niamh Carty (A)

11am

Darren Barnes (A)

# SPLIT THE POT

Congratulations to Paul O'Rourke - €156 last week's winner. €2 weekly, the winner gets half the money raised. Envelopes available in the church, enclose your money, write your name and number, and place it in the box marked 'Split the Pot'. Thank you for your weekly support

# **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18 - January 25**

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 offers an invitation to draw on this shared heritage and to enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians. The guiding biblical text for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 comes from John 11:17-27. The theme for the week, "Do you believe this?" (v. 26), takes its cue from the dialogue between Jesus and Martha when Jesus visited the home of Martha and Mary in Bethany following the death of their brother Lazarus.

# ADMISSIONS 2025 ST. SENAN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Happy New Year to the

community from all in St. Senan's Primary School, Admissions for September 2025 is now open. Please see

website <a href="https://stsenansps.ie/admissions">https://stsenansps.ie/admissions</a> or contact the school on 053-92 34169 for further information.

### **DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

God our Father,

We trust in your loving kindness. Bless our Diocese of Ferns with many priestly and religious vocations.

Give the men and women You call the light to understand Your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of Your son. Amen

# **ENVELOPES 2025**

If you have not yet received your boxes of Envelopes for 2025 please check by the side of the Altar. We appreciate your continued support. If you are not already receiving a box and would like to please contact the Parish Office 053 92 61729.

#### **NOVENA TO SAINT AIDAN OF FERNS**

(Patron Saint of the Diocese of Ferns.) Repeat the following Novena prayer every day for 9 consecutive days.

Novena begins on 21st of January and ends on Sunday, January 30th Feast of St Aidan.

Almighty God, our Creator and Guide, You chose St. Aidan to establish a church at Ferns

and to preach the Good News of your son, Jesus Christ.

As we celebrate his feast,

we give thanks for his witness and teaching. Through his intercession,

we pray that we remain true to the faith which he brought to Ferns:

that we listen to the word of God; following the teaching of our Holy Father; and remain loyal to the tradition of our faith. All powerful Father, through the intercession of St Aidan,

I ask you to listen to and grant my prayer and request...

[Mention your intention here...]

I ask these prayers through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God for ever and ever. Amen.

## Volunteers!

Are you interested in volunteering or need volunteers in your local community? Would you like to have a chat to find out more? Email, call or text John Bird in Wexford Volunteer Centre (john@volunteerwexford.ie, 087 133 8859) to arrange. John can come to your local Community Centre to talk one-to-one or to groups!

# Singing is Good for our Health!

St. Senan's Parish Choir will resume practice on Wednesday,  $22^{nd}$  January 2025 at 7.30pm in the Church.

New members are ALWAYS welcome. We are a friendly lot so please if you have been thinking about joining a choir then why not take the next step and come along any Wednesday night or contact Linda 053 92 61729 for more information.

## MASS CARDS/BOUQUETS

Reminder we have an extensive range of signed Mass Cards and Mass Bouquets for all occasions available from the Parish Office.

# Catholic Schools Week 2025 Sunday 19th - 25th January.

The theme for CSW 2025 is 'Alive in Christ' "Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world, and everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life. The very first words, then, that I would like to say to every young Christian are these: Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive!" – Pope Francis, Christus Vivit, Section 1.

# **Ecumenical Quiet Day**

St. John of God Retreat Centre, Ballyvaloo, on Thursday, 20 February, 11.15a.m. – 4.00p.m. The day will be led by Fr. Billy Swan who will talk to us about the Nicean Creed. This year is the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea. Contribution: €30 including lunch and coffee on arrival. Please text or ring Fr. James Murphy on 087 8152637 if you wish to attend.

## St. Aidan's Parish Office

New Parish Office, 1 Irish Street will open on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> January 2025 10 – 1pm only. You can contact the office on the usual number of 053 92 35777.



Our Crucifix has gone away for long overdue restoration, and it is hoped that it will back in place for Easter.

The specialist work will be carried out by John Colfer, Fethard on Sea at a total cost of just under €9.000.

Our thanks to the Captain Weafer Hall Committee who have given an undertaking to raise half the cost of the project and we, the parish, will raise the balance.

More details next week.