#### **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

Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil – 7.00pm Sunday – 9.00 & 11.00am

Monday/Thursday – 10.00am Wednesday – 8.15am Tuesday/Friday – 7.00pm

All Masses available to view on the Website

### St. Senan's Parish Newsletter

**Sunday, 19th June 2022**Parish Office 053 92 61729
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#### THANK YOU

Parish Envelopes
- €530

Priests Envelopes
- €615

#### PARISH 'SPLIT THE POT'

Our 'Split the Pot' (a weekly fundraiser) is now up and running. Just €2 weekly and the winner gets half the money raised. Envelopes are available at each entrance into the church, enclose your money, write your name and number on the outside of the envelope and place it in the box.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

### Sunday, 26th June

#### Vigil

Karl Cullen (Months Mind) Ann Quigley (A) Liam Quigley (Rem) Josephine Roberts (A) Peadar Lynch (Rem)

#### 11.00am

Thomas Foley (1st Anniversary) Patricia (Patti) Murphy (A) Sean O'Rourke (A) Richard O'Reilly (A) & deceased family James Hutchinson (A) Bernie Colfer (Birth Rem)

#### Sunday, 3rd July

Viail

Francis Martin (A)

9.00am

John Murphy (A)

Each Saturday night before the end of Mass Fr. Paddy will

draw the winner. Remember if you're not in, you can't win!

## MASS ON VINEGAR HILL

Please note 9.00am Mass will be celebrated on Vinegar Hill on the following dates weather permitting:

Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022 and Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2022



# Day of Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament for Peace in Ukraine, Europe and the world

Tuesday 10am – 7pm Rosary 10.30am concluding with Mass 7.00pm

We need 18 people to commit to be present for 30

minutes. If you can help, please enter your name or initials on the time-sheet placed at the back of the church (old part); each time-slot is a 30 minute commitment.

#### PATRONS Monday 4th July at 7pm

Children's Patron in St. Mary's & Enniscorthy Cemetery

### Sunday 14th August at 3pm

St. Mary's & Enniscorthy Cemetery Yes, it's a struggle, but everything is in hand.

We're struggling financially, we're struggling to get a days adoration covered - last Tuesday I had to repose the Blessed Sacrament to make a house call - and we're struggling to pass on the basics to the next generations.

Yes, I know too well that we're few in number and the few carry an increasing load.

Most people view these difficulties as symptoms of a dying church. I don't believe that at all!

When they were killing Jesus they believed they were doing one thing; in reality Heaven was doing something else, something very different. Keep this in mind; what's happening is the opposite to how it looks.

This is classic Heaven, so far above and beyond us that we think we know what's happening but the wisdom of God makes complete fools of us!

Seriously, we need to at least consider the possibility that it's not the church that's dying but that God is stepping back.

This happens because God - the whole of Heaven - will always respect human freedom and will remain outside human affairs until invited in. Of course, God still holds all things in being but he'll not interfere in our affairs until he's invited to do so.

We need to get this: Heaven's respect for human freedom is absolute. Absolutely non-negotiable. Until invited in - typically the profession of faith - God allows human freedom to run its course.

Human freedom running its course without God will always create Hell.

This was the message of Fatima at the height of World War I; unless human freedom returns to God it will slowly create World War II - and 70 years after World War II we're still dealing with the legacy of it all!

This is the reason I don't get too excited about the future of the church, about stuff like the absence of young people. The future of the church is already in hand! It's in hand in the very struggles we're experiencing as a community. We're just not reading the signs correctly. This is not a generation or even a number of generations walking away from the church, rather this is God standing back and allowing human freedom to run its course - a course that will bring humanity to it's knees.

When it has run it's course, and it'll be a difficult course - the signs are already there - God will once again be centre stage. The very most we can do is work to soften all this, soften the return of human freedom to God.

This is the primary reason then that we need to reach people, young people included; it's not really about the church at all, it's about the very future of humanity, about the level of struggle that we're creating for ourselves and future generations as human freedom slowly comes to its knees.

#### PARISH CHOIR CD

A word of thanks to all those who have kindly sponsored the production of the Choir CD. We are really enjoying being back together again and are planning to record in early July. It's not too late if you feel you would like to donate, please contact the parish office 053 92 61729 or any choir member.

Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine July 3<sup>rd</sup> 2022
Wexford Town Depart Bride
Street at 7am sharp.
pick up in Enniscorthy on Main
Dublin Road outside Dunnes at
approx 7.20am.
Breakfast and evening meal in
the Bridge House Hotel,
Tullamore. Cost is 60 Euros
per person, with discount for
children. Contact details: Neil
Foley 087 9740120, or Sean
Kinsella at 053 912 3819

#### Enniscorthy Retirement Association

The Monthly Meeting of the Enniscorthy Retirement Association will be held in the Riverside Park Hotel on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 2-30pm.

The Monthly walk is on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July to Altamont Gardens, also our weekly walks every Wednesday at 11am, meet on the path just below the Riverside Park Hotel. Old and new members' welcome.

#### **READERS**

Sunday, 3rd July

Vigil: Marian Dowling9.00am: Paddy Gahan11.00am Peg Doyle

## EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sunday, 26th June

Vigil: Jer Moynihan 9.00am: Paddy Gahan 11.00am: Denis Levingston