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St. Senan's Parish Newsletter

Sunday, 18th February 2024

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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>

SPLIT THE POT

Congratulations to Kathleen Cahill €160 - 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

Parish Envelopes
- €565

Priests Envelopes
- €775

FERNS DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Invalid Pilgrim Section
16th—21st May 2024

Application forms are available at the
Parish Office/Sacristy for anyone who

wishes to apply to be in the Invalid Section of the Pilgrimage. Applications must be submitted by 1st March 2024 to Aine Roche, Hospitalite Secretary, Knockskimolin, Raheenduff, Oulart, Gorey, Co. Wexford. Telephone 087-9767623

hospitalitesecretary@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, 18th February

Vigil

Billy Dempsey (Months Mind)
Owen & Catherine Redmond (A)
Redmond Family

11am

Hugh Dunne (First Anniversary)
Brian Davis (Birth Rem)

Sunday, 25th February

Vigil

Geraldine O'Neill (A)
Brigid Dee (A)

11.00am

John & Bridget Redmond (A)
James (Bert) Murphy (A)

Day of Prayer for Temperance

Sunday, 19th February is a Day of Prayer for Temperance, a day which offers us an opportunity to reflect on our relationship with alcohol and a day on which we can take time to pray for those who suffer from addiction.

FRIENDS OF LOCAL PEOPLE WITH MS

AGM will take place on Sunday,
25th February 2024 in the
Pastoral Centre, St. Michael's

READERS

Sunday, 25th February

Vigil: Marian Dowling
11am: Peg Doyle

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sunday, 25th February

Vigil: Dick Walsh
11am: Jer Moynihan

Start by doing
what's necessary;
then do what's
possible; and
suddenly you are
doing the impossible.

Francis of Assisi

Church Gorey at 2pm sharp. All are welcome.

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE Saturday, 24th February in
RDS, Dublin. Bus from Clonard Church Wexford at 7.15 collecting in
Enniscorthy, Ferns and Gorey. To book a seat ring 086 2608454.

Church Car Park

We will be re-marking the church car park soon. We don't have a date or dates yet because we need fine weather and there's not much of it about in the short term Met Éireann forecast!

Obviously, it'll make the task easier if the car park is clear of cars while we're re-marking it. Ideally, the car park will need to be emptied and closed the night before. So, we're flagging it now - trying to get the word out - and as soon as we have a definite date we will place notices in the car park to inform all who avail of the car park that it'll be closed to facilitate re-marking.

But re-marking is just the first step. I'm sure I'm not the only person to have noticed in recent months that the car park is increasingly being used for non-church related parking.

I'm afraid this has now reached the point where we need to address it. So, going forward we will be installing a barrier on the car park gate. The barrier will be open (raised) to allow people to enter and exit the car park for religious events.

Thereafter - outside the times of religious events - the barrier will be closed. However, when the barrier is closed it will open automatically when a car approaches but to exit the car park you will need to pay a small parking fee.

Electronic fobs to open/close the barrier will be provided to parish staff and to a small number of our neighbours who've always availed of the car park.

Our Synodal Journey

The continued success of the Synodal journey already begun in our Diocese requires on-going engagement in our parish communities.

As part of this journey seven people will be chosen which will include one Priest and one Religious who will undertake training as facilitators to work with parishes and other groups in the Diocese to continue to develop Synodality in the life and mission of the Church in Ferns. This training will begin in April.

We are also currently preparing two documents; one on best practice of synodality in the diocese and the second on how can we imagine the life of the Church in Ireland where people are co-responsible for the Church's mission in different ways.

These documents have to be submitted by March 25th and they will be with the Irish National Synodal Team to Rome for the Synod meeting in October next.

Our Holy Father Pope Francis continually reminds us that there can be no Synod without prayer. Please continue to pray for our Synodal journey.

Medjugorje 7 Night Pilgrimage

Fr. Paddy Banville Group

17th July 2024 – 24th July 2024

€795 per person sharing

17th July 2024 Dublin - Split, 17.35 – 21.30

24th July 2024 Split – Dublin, 14.00 – 16.20

(Timings are approximate and subject to change)

Quote based on 15 pilgrims traveling.

Price per person sharing twin/double/triple rooms with private facilities.

LENT

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

Pope Francis tells us How:

Fast from hurting words and say kind words
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from worried and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressures and be prayerful
Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.

Trócaire's Lenten Campaign

This year Trócaire's Lenten Campaign focuses on the country of Malawi, Africa. Malawi is one of the least developed countries in the world and has been badly affected by climate change. In the Machinga district, Malita and her family must make a one-hour trip up to five times a day to collect water. Please support Trócaire in helping communities develop sustainable access to clean, safe and reliable water supplies by taking home a Trócaire box today or going to: www.trocaire.org. Fresh drinking water is an issue of primary importance, since it is indispensable for human life and for supporting terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems.' (*Laudato Si'*, 28)