

Trócaire

Working for a just world.

Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?"

...*"In truth I tell you, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."* Matthew 25:37/40.

The Irish Catholic Bishops' Conference has announced today that special collections at all Masses will take place across Ireland on the weekend of 22 and 23 July to fund-life saving aid for people currently affected by the devastating hunger crisis in east Africa. The money raised will be donated to Trócaire which is delivering emergency food, water and health care to tens of thousands of the 25 million people effected. For further information log on to www.trocaire.org

Does your child have difficulty with reading and writing or been diagnosed with dyslexia? We can help!

The New Ross Dyslexia Workshop offers support through weekly classes for children with literacy difficulties.

Limited place available for September. Enrolments now being taken. Closing date for applications is Friday 21st July.

For further information please contact Kathleen
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New Ross Parish. Church of St. Mary & St. Michael *Newsletter*

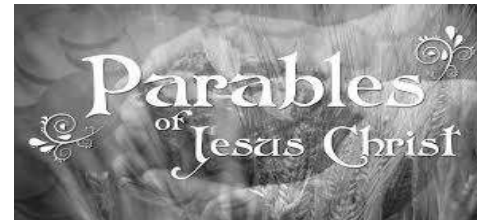


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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Generous Sower

Can you picture it? I love the image of Jesus sitting in a boat, addressing the crowds on the beach. He certainly knew how to hold their attention. And he knew they would understand him more

clearly if he used the language of stories. Those listening would have been familiar with the cycle of planting seeds and waiting for them to produce a crop. One of the purposes of parables is to challenge the hearers to reflect and respond with faith. So this parable of the sower requires Jesus' audience to decide what kind of soil they are. There is a message of judgment for those who are hardened like the rocky soil, and a message of hope for those who are receptive like the rich soil.

The figure of the sower is important too. The sower does not confine the seeds to soil that is fertile and ready for growth. Rather, the seeds are scattered everywhere— on the path, patches of rock, and among thorns. Jesus does not discriminate. His love is given out for all. He knows that some of it may be rejected, or accepted only on a superficial level, but he offers it anyway. That offer of love is never withdrawn. It might take a while to bear fruit, but it is always there.

' Always there are doors that are not closed. Look for the doors that are at least a little bit open, enter and talk about common things and go on. Step by step.' (Pope Francis)

(Intercom)

New Ross Parish Community strives to be a welcoming, life-giving PEOPLE, nourished by FAITH, WORSHIP of God and SERVICE of all in the example of Jesus Christ.

Scripture Readings for Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wis 12:13, 16-19.
Psalm: 85:5-6, 9-10, 15-16, R/ V 5.
2nd Reading: Rm 8:26-27.
Gospel: Mt: 13:24-43

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Priest on Duty - 051 421214.

Weekly Collection
Sunday 9th July
Envelopes:237 Amount: €1,920.00

Parish Office & Shop
Opening Hours
Monday - Friday
10.30am - 2.00pm.
Closed Holy Days &
Bank Holidays.

Sanctuary Lamp €10 per week

PARISH RADIO 104.7FM
10.00AM MASS DAILY

New Ross Parish Bethany Bereavement
Support Group:
Contact No: 087-3846577

Legion Of Mary - Meetings every
Wednesday evening in the Parish
Pastoral Centre, Robert St, New Ross.
Time: 7.30pm.

Contact Des & Marie - 051-420523.
Rosary & Divine Mercy are recited every
Friday at 3.00pm on the Quay, next to
the Dunbrody Centre.

Lough Derg 2017

You may begin the Three Day Pilgrimage on any day up to and including Sunday 13th August. Advance booking is not necessary.

There are various travel options available country-wide. The Lough Derg team can help you to co-ordinate public transport or link up with Pilgrimage Organisers in your locality. Telephone Maureen or Lorraine on 071-9851518. Email: info@loughderg.org, www.loughderg.org

200th Years!!

Mount Carmel Monastery
Open Air Mass, Thursday 20th July 2017 in the grounds of Mount Carmel At 7.15 p.m , There will be seating for a couple of hundred which will be largely reserved for the Elderly and infirm.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK.

N.B. All 8.00 a.m. Holy Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel

Sat 15th	6.00pm	Thomas O' Murchu	Anniversary.
Sun 16th	8.00am	Friends & Benefactors, Mount Carmel	
	9.00am	Patrick (Paddy) Connolly, Mary St	Anniversary
	10.00am	Michael & Kathleen Kent, Cross St	Anniversary
	12.00pm	Mary Butler, Mount Carmel	Months Mind
	6.00pm	Vera North, Chambersland Martin & Agnes Keane, Ballycullane	1st Anniversary. Anniversary
Mon 17th	8.00am	Kitty Poyntz	Anniversary
	10.00am	Tommy, Elizabeth, Mattie & Betty Whelan, Irishtown	Anniversary
Tues 18th	8.00am	Adrian St. Ledger, Enniskillen & formerly of Abbeyview Recently Deceased	
	10.00am	Deceased Members of The Aspell Family, Cross St.	Anniversary
Wed 19th	8.00am	Mass for the People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Patrick & Elizabeth Kent, Cross St.	Anniversary
Thurs 20th	8.00am		
	10.00am	Bert & Margaret Gordon, South St	Anniversary
Fri 21st	8.00am	Christy Morris	Recently Deceased
	10.00am	Elizabeth Murphy, Irishtown	Anniversary
Sat 22nd	8.00am	Jackie & Peter Hunt, Late of Follyhouse Lane	Anniversary
	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	6.00pm	Paddy Foley, Chambersland	Anniversary
Sun 23rd	8.00am		
	9.00am	Nancy & Jimmy Ryan, Michael St.	Anniversary.
	10.00am	Noreen Sutton, Shallows Park	Anniversary
	12.00pm	Eamonn Dunne, Upper Mary St	Months Mind
	6.00pm	Joey & Aileen & Ultan Warren, Cross St	Anniversary

Sanctuary Lamp: Special Intention.

We are currently taking Holy Mass bookings for December 2017

Today's Readings.

We must have faith in the power of God's word. It is the instrument by which God effects his purpose. It does not work automatically; but grows in a soil of faith and prayer. We have to be concerned about teaching, preaching and praying the word and to work to ensure a receptive soil.

First Reading Isaiah 55:10-11

This reading comes from the middle part of the book of the prophet Isaiah. The people of Israel have been in exile in Babylon for seventy years and now they are to return to Jerusalem. The reading speaks to the power of God's word, which has the ability to change all who encounter it. The rain falls indiscriminately, but the things that are receptive to it will flourish because of it.

Second Reading Romans 8:18-23

Reading scripture, we can look at it from the point of view of the first hearers, those who heard it subsequently, and those of us who hear it today. Suffering for the faith was something very real in the lives of those who heard Paul's letter for the first time and for later communities who lived with the reality of suffering for the faith. While, today, we may not suffer in the same way or by the same methods, to stand up in this day and age and say that I believe does take courage.

**Eucharistic Adoration
Every Tuesday from 10.00am Mass to
Solemn Benediction at 9.00pm**

Baptisms, Recently Deceased, Anniversaries, Weddings.

Recently Deceased: Thomas (Tommy) Sheehan, Cross St., Michael (Mickey) Richardson, Mount Carmel.
Anniversaries: We remember in our prayers Wally Gannon.

NOTICES

**Diocese of Ferns
Camino de Santiago Pilgrimage
Calzadilla de los Hermanillos to Ponferrada
16th -23rd August 2017
€517.00 inc. Flights,
Private Bus Transfers in Spain,
Accommodation and Insurance
Director: Fr. Roger O' Neill (New Ross)
Chaplain: Fr. James Cullen (Wexford)**

2 Places have become available!

**Booking: O' Leary Travel Ltd:
053-9233178**

**Spirit Radio
*Spirit radio is on its way
to Wexford!***

Spirit Radio offers alternative to those who wish to engage with media that is value led, offers encouragement and is focussed on uplifting. Upbeat, entertaining and inspirational, Spirit Radio plays the best contemporary Christian music plus a selection of positive mainstream hits. Plans are almost complete for the arrival of Spirit Radio which is due to be launched in Wexford on the 1st September 2017. The last and only matter to be resolved is the purchase of transmission equipment. This will cost €7000. Spirit would be delighted to talk to any person who may be able to assist them. No contribution is too small. If you can support Spirit can support Spirit Radio please contact Rob Clarke on 01-2724760 or email: rob.clarke@spiritradio.ie.