

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

**Kids Halloween  
Disco & Fancy Dress  
Sunday 29th October 2017  
3-5 pm**

In the Geraldine O' Hanrahan's GAA Clubhouse, New Ross  
Children must be accompanied by an adult  
Prize for the Best Costume  
€2 per child or €5 per Family



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**Vigil in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be held in Ballykelly Church on the first Friday of every month commencing at 9pm. All are welcome.**

**Scripture Readings for Sunday, Twenty-Ninth in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Is 45:1, 4-6.  
Psalm 95:1 3-5, 7-10 R/V.  
2nd Reading: Th 1:1-5.  
Gospel: Mt 22:15-21.

**Legion of Mary**

Meetings every Wednesday

Evening in the Parish Pastoral Centre, Robert St., New Ross at 7.30pm Contact Des & Marie-051-420523 Rosary & Divine Mercy are recited every Friday @ 3.00pm on the Quay, next to the Dunbrody Centre

**Lectio Divina**

Every Wednesday morning at 10.45am for one hour, in the Parish Pastoral Centre, Robert St., New Ross.

St Vincent De Paul-New Ross  
Telephone: (085) 8313073.

Priest on Duty -051-421214

PARISH RADIO 104.7FM  
10.00AM MASS DAILY

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

**Weekly Collection**

Sunday 1st October 2017  
Envelopes: 256  
Amount: € 1,785.05

Sanctuary Lamp Available €10 per week

**Deceased Parishioners Mass**

On Thursday the 2nd November at 7.00pm mass will be offered for all our parishioners who have passed away within the last 12 months. Anyone wishing to have their loved one remembered at this mass please contact the Parish Office.

HFC Brass Band in concert featuring Special Guests Thursday 26th October 2017 @ 8.00PM St. Marys Church, New Ross (Free Admission).

**Community Employment Scheme Office Admin. Assistant required for New Ross Parish Office. This is a Community Employment opportunity and therefore Dept. of Social Protection eligibility criteria applies. Please contact rflynn@rosbercononce.ie/ 086-3642592 for further details.**

**New Ross Active Retirement Shoe Box Collection at Intermin Meeting on Friday Oct 20th @ 10.30 AM**

**St. Michaels Theatre...  
Showing  
The Nut Job 2: Nutty by Mature  
on Saturday 21st Oct @ 3PM**

**New Ross Parish.  
Church of  
St. Mary & St. Michael  
*Newsletter***



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**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**The Deep End • What do you want?**

What people want is at the heart of today's parable. A king invites people to his son's wedding banquet, but their minds are on other things; they don't see the value of the invitation. They don't want it. Jesus' story tells us that rather than being an imposition, our faith is an invitation, a gift.

It's been said that the biggest problem with consumerism is not that it makes us want too much, but that it makes us want too little; it diverts and distracts us with lesser things. The world we live in is, now more than ever, full of appeals to our most precious possession: our attention. We are, so to speak, in constant receipt of many invitations. There is so much that conspires to steal our attention from what is deepest and most important.

When the king of Jesus' parable issued the invitation to his son's wedding

banquet, people's attention was elsewhere, they wanted other things. And some of them, evidently, were angry at what they perceived to be an imposition on their time and on their priorities.

We would do well to let this parable of Jesus pose two simple questions to us. First, do we habitually think of our faith – the practice and the living out of our faith – as an imposition or as an invitation? Second, what do we want – for ourselves and for our loved ones?



*Grow in your knowledge of Christ and your faith in God.*

*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.*

## HOLY MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK.

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

Sat 14th	6.00pm	Michael & Doris Murphy, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
Sun 15th	8.00am	Friends & Benefactors, Mount Carmel	
	9.00am	Patrick C. Rossiter, Michael St	Anniversary
	10.00am	Betty St. Ledger, 20 Fairgreen	Anniversary
	12.00pm	Shiela Gunnery, Rathangan, Co. Kildare	Anniversary
	6.00pm	Jim & Margaret Sutton, Maudlins	Anniversary
Mon 16th	8.00am	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory	
	10.00am	Nicholas Doran, 40 JKL Place	Anniversary
Tues 17th	8.00am	Paddy Connors, Graiguenamanagh	Anniversary
	10.00am	Mary Ann Smith & Family, Chapel Lane	Anniversary
Wed 18th	8.00am	Mass for the People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Katie Smith, Chapel Lane	Anniversary
Thurs 19th	8.00am	Patrick Green	Anniversary
	10.00am	Anna Mannion, Mount Elliott	Anniversary
Fri 20th	8.00am	Anne Hobbs	Get Well
	10.00am	Mary Gannon, Priesthaggard	Anniversary
Sat 21nd	8.00am	Vocations, Mount Carmel	
	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	6.00pm	Liam Boody Connick, Upper Mount Carmel	Anniversary
Sun 22nd	8.00am	Jerry Horan, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
	9.00am	The Rowe Family, John Street	Anniversary
	10.00am	John & Margaret Sutton, Shallow's Park	Anniversary
	12.00pm	Biddy Walshe, South Street	Months Mind
	6.00pm	Henry Rellis, Bosheen	Anniversary

**Sanctuary Lamp: Special Intentions**

### Today's Readings.

We gather to celebrate the Eucharist, which is to be a celebration in hope and joy as a foretaste of the heavenly banquet. To take part in it is a grace and a privilege. But we must wear the wedding garment of sinlessness and obedience to God's will. Many before us have been called to the feast but failed to stay.

### First Reading

Isaiah 25:6-10

In the biblical world, banquets had eschatological significance. The meal to which Isaiah is alluding on Mount Zion recalls an earlier meal on Mount Sinai that ratified the covenant between God and the freed slaves from Egypt. It marks a transition from death to life, from slavery to freedom.

### Second Reading

Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Even though Paul is chained and restricted, he is rejoicing that he has found the Lord. Jesus is his life. Therefore, he is able to be content and full of joy. He wants us, and the Church of Philippi, to be the same in Christ Jesus..

**We are now currently booking Masses up to and including March 2018**

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

### Baptisms, Recently Deceased, Anniversaries, Weddings.

**Anniversary Prayers:** We remember in our prayers Paddy Connors, Graiguenmanagh, Josephine & Matthew O'Neill, Newtown Commons & John Heffernan, Aylwardstown, Glenmore.

**Christenings:** We welcome into our Christian Community Michael O'Brien, The Orchard, Owen Phillpot Kinsella, Upper Mary Street & Annabelle Dobbyn, Newtown Commons who were recently baptised.

"Have you ever thought of becoming a Priest?"



Men considering Priesthood in the Diocese of Ferns are invited to a Vocations weekend for a time of prayer, reflection, discussion and exploration.

**VENUE:** Ballyvaloo Retreat Centre  
**DATE:** Friday 27th October - 28th 2017  
**TIME:** Friday 6:30pm / Saturday (Midday)

For more information contact : 0872119151

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