

NOTICES

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Tuesday from 10.00AM Holy Mass to Solemn Benediction at 9.00 PM.

SUPPORTING THE PARISH

Envelopes: If you would like to register as a friend of New Ross Parish Church St. Mary's & St. Michaels, and support the weekly envelope collection please call to the parish office for details or telephone (051) 421 348

Scripture Readings for Sunday, Third Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Ex 20:1-17
Psalm: Ps 18:8-11, R/ Jn 6:68.
2nd Reading: 1 Cor 1:22-25.
Gospel: Jn 2:13-25

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE:

Mairin Jackson—Contact No: 051-421348



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
(085) 8313073



HOME VISITATION TEAM

Tel 083 474 5789 to avail of this service or to volunteer.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays after 10AM Holy Mass & Before 6PM Holy Mass. Mon—Fri on request after 10AM Mass, Please notify the priest before Mass in the Sacristy.

MEALS ON WHEELS

St. Aidan Centre, Cross St. Tel: 051 445711

“All Gods Creation Is Very Good”

Women's World Day of Prayer 2018 from Suriname. Service takes place in St. Marys Church of Ireland, New Ross on Fri. 2nd of March 2018 @ 11.00am. Everyone is welcome.

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



The Launch of the Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Panama in 2019 will take place during Holy Mass at 7pm in St. Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy, on Saturday the 3rd March. Young people, aged between 18 and 30, are invited to join us on this wonderful journey of faith. For details contact Fr. Jim Doyle (087)9736913 or jimrdoyle@gmail.com

WMOF Collection 24th-25th February 2018

On behalf of the National Finance Committee I write to thank you and the people of your parishes, very sincerely, for your generous response to both national collections for the World Meeting of Families 2018.

Pope Francis personally chose Dublin, to host the World Meeting of Families from 22-26 August 2018. Planning for this great national and international celebration of faith is at an advanced stage. A dedicated office and support team has been established and they are working hard to bring to life the different elements of the WMOF2018 which include (i) A National Opening in each diocese; (ii) A Pastoral Congress from 22-24 August; (iii) the Festival of Families on 25 August; and (iv) the Closing Mass on Sunday 26 August. The WMOF2018 has also rolled out the 'Amoris: Let's Talk Family! Let's be Family' programme which is a conversation about the family with an emphasis on Pope Francis' teaching and reflections. The World Meeting of Families promises to be an occasion that will reflect on the faith experience of families from many parts of the world as well as on the challenges and celebrations which characterise the ups and downs of day-to-day family life.

Catherine McAuley Junior School

Is enrolling now for Sept. '18
You are welcome to visit the school at any time to collect a form and to see the wonderful new facilities. If you have any questions we will be happy to assist. Tel: 051 425586 or Email: newrossjuniorschool@gmail.com

PRIEST ON DUTY (051) 421214

Visitation of Sick / Housebound: We are anxious to visit those who cannot celebrate Holy Mass with us due to illness, aged or infirm. Arrangements can be made to receive the sacraments at home by calling the Parish Office.

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Second Sunday of Lent



The Deep End • Transfiguration

Can you recall a time when you had an 'aha moment'? One of those moments when something suddenly makes perfect sense to you. It may have been a long time coming, a combination of various pieces of a jigsaw fitting together or it may be an insight you received from prayer or spiritual practice. These are really special moments. We are never quite the same afterwards, something changes, even a small thing, but something in us changes. These 'aha' moments even move us outside of ourselves or beyond ourselves in some way. They are moments of transfiguration. This is what is happening to the disciples in today's gospel: a very deep and significant 'aha moment'.

Peter is desperate to stay on the mountain in that blissful moment with Jesus, so much so that he offers to build

tents. One can understand Peter's request, after such an occurrence of course he would want to stay there. What moments of encounter in your own life do you recall? An encounter where you simply did not want it to end? It may be something very deep and meaningful which gave you a glimpse of God or a moment of complete contentment?

As with all blissful moments, the disciples must come down from the mountaintop. Jesus' way involves walking a very different path, a path that will not be so easy. Jesus' way is different to what Peter may have had in mind. No doubt these moments of transfiguration strengthen us all for walking the more difficult paths.



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**Parish Office & Shop Opening Hours Monday—Friday 10.30 am to 2.00 pm
Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays**

Wide range in stock of Holy Mass Cards, General Cards & Gift Ideas for all occasions.

**Tel: 051 421348 Email: newross-parish@hotmail.com www.newrossparish.ie
Holy Mass Cards are also available in Cooney's & Ryan's Funeral Homes.**

**COMING SOON — St. Patricks Day Cards & Badges
& Easter Mass Bouquets Cards.**

Communion & Confirmation Giftware JUST IN.

*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

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 24h	6.00pm	Anne, Bridget & John O'Brien, Quay St.
Sun 25th	8.00am	Deceased People from Bewley Street
	9.00am	Rebecca Irwin, Ard Alainn
	10.00am	Paddy Doyle, Chapel Lane
Mon 26th	12.00pm	Mick Byrne, Neville Street
	8.00am	Mr Doyle
	10.00am	Eileen Larkin
Tues 27th	1.05pm	Margaret (Maggie) Rawson, 31 Ard na Gréine
	8.00am	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Patrick & Sarah Doyle, Carnew
Wed 28th	1.05pm	Mary Cashin, 56 JKL Place
	8.00am	Pro Populo
	10.00am	Lily Mernagh, Mountross
Thurs 1st	1.05pm	The Deceased Members of The O'Brien Family
	8.00am	Michael & Mary Murphy, Bridge Quay
	10.00am	Edward & Etta O' Neill
Fri 2nd	1.05pm	Michael & Mary Druhan, William St.
	8.00am	Bridget Power, Ryleen Mary Ann Doran, Gobbinstown
	10.00am	Mary Dwyer, Fr Cullen Tee
Sat 3rd	1.05pm	Tommy & Peg O' Brien, Ard Mhicil
	8.00am	John O'Brien
	10.00am	Parish Mass Association
Sun 4th	6.00pm	Patsy Brambley
	8.00am	Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life
	9.00pm	Malachy Tully, Mountgarrett
	10.00am	Peter & Marian Maher, Knockmullen
	12.00pm	

SANTUARY LAMP:

Special Intentions
Sanctuary Lamp available @ €10.00 per week.

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Christian Community Ailbhe Donovan, Redhouse, Patrick Ward, New Ross who was baptised recently. For Baptism Bookings on Saturdays @ 4.30PM & Sundays @ 1.00PM. Please contact the Parish Office.



Please Turn off Your Mobile Phones

TODAYS READINGS

God sacrifices his own Son as part of the plan of salvation of the world. Calvary is a sign of God's love for us. This story of Abraham's sacrifice will be told again at the Easter Vigil as a preparation for Baptism.

First Reading

Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18

This narrative commences by telling us that God tested Abraham. He tests both his faith and his obedience. God seems to be going back on his promise, for Abraham's progeny is dependent on Isaac. Nonetheless Abraham's faith in God is paramount and he jumps the fence. St Paul cites Abraham as the example for all who have their salvation through faith in God (Rom 4). It is often noted that God's prevention of the killing of Isaac is indicative of the refinement of the Jewish people, contrasting starkly with the barbarity of neighbouring civilisations who practiced human sacrifice.

Second Reading

Romans 8:31-34

This reading seems to bring obedience into a perfect circle. God does not spare his Son, in order to give us everything. It is as though God is 'obedient' to his impulse of love. Christ, in obedience to the Father and the demand of his love for us, died and was raised and at the right hand of God intercedes for us. Without obedience, nothing would have changed.

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-10

Christ is the crossroads at which all the pathways of the Old Testament converge. The presence of Moses and Elijah is all-important. Christ fulfils the law and the prophets. Peter blunders with his notion of three tents, in which he puts Christ on the same footing as the other two. For a moment, the darkness abates, the rising sun is here. A Trinitarian light touches the scene, yet the beloved Son will die. The sacrifice of the Father in surrendering the New Isaac evokes a kind of inner obedience to the love he bears for us. The obedience and of Jesus is implicit in his reference to his death and resurrection.

RADIO HOLY MASS 104.7FM
SAT. VIGIL @6.00PM & 10.00AM DAILY
INCLUDING FUNERAL MASSES

RECENTLY DECEASED

We pray for Richie Butler, Mount Carmel, William O' Flaherty, William St., Joe Tubritt, Campile, Ann Brophy (née Cleere) formerly Poulmounty, Patrick Kehoe, Kilmannock, John Mulgveen, Dysart, Co.Clare who have passed away recently.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

We remember in our prayers Walter Bradley, Knockarilla, Margaret Blanche & Deceased Members of The Blanche Family, 6 Lwr. William St, Michael Bailey, Irishtown, Jackie Bennett, Pondfields who's anniversaries occur around this time.

We Invite you to join in a series of Lenten talks entitled "Let's talk Family" Commencing at New Ross St. Michael's Pastoral Centre, Michael Street, New Ross. (Former Michael's Boys School) On Tuesday 20th February and every Tuesday during Lent at 7.30pm for one hour.

New Ross Singers



With Guest Choir "West Cork Choral Singers" will perform **Haydn Creation in Rosbercon Parish Church on Sunday 11th March @ 8pm.** Admission—Adults €15 Students €5.

Rally to Save the 8th Parnell Square, Dublin

On the 10th March 2018
Bus Leaving Parish Church @9.00pm
Bus Fee €10.00 ,please contact the Parish Office on 051-421348 to book your place.

New Ross Active Retirement
General Meeting at 10.30am,
2nd March.All are Welcome.



New Ross Musical Society Presents "Top Hat" Mon.5th to Sat.10th March St.Michael's Theatre Tickets €12/€15 (Optional)

St. Michael's Theatre

Sat. 3rd March 3pm matinee 'Coco' Disney PIXAR
Sat. 3rd March 8pm movie 'The Post'

Mass Bookings:

On Thurs. 1st Mar we will be taking bookings up to and including Aug.2018

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sunday 18th Feb:
Envelopes: 271
Amount: € 2042.25
THANK YOU