

## NOTICES

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

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

### SUPPORTING THE PARISH

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

### HOME VISITATION TEAM

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

*Divine Mercy: Holy Hour in the Parish Church every Tuesday @ 3.00pm, followed by the Rosary.*

### 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.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—NEW ROSS  
(085) 8313073

### CONFESSIONS:

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

### MEALS ON WHEELS

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

### 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.

### New Ross Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group

Contact No: 087-3846577

### Drop in Centre

Legion of Mary Hall,  
1st Thursday of every month,  
Between 11am and 12 noon.



Lectio Divina: Every Wednesday morning at 10.45am for one hour, in the Legion of Mary Pastoral Centre, Robert St., New Ross.

### Scripture Readings for Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**First Reading:** 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-33.  
**Psalm:** Ps 102:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13, R/ v 8.  
**2nd Reading:** 1 Cor 15:45-49.  
**3rd Reading:** Lk 6:27-38.

### Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 11th –16th May 2019

As the date of the 2019 Pilgrimage has been moved to earlier in May, applications must be submitted by **1st March 2019**. Forms are available in the Parish Office.

**New Ross Musical** presents 'Funny Girl' at St. Michaels Theatre from 4th-9th March. Booking available now 051-421255.'

### DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE

Sat 23rd & Sun 24th Feb.  
"LET US NOT BE PUT TO THE TEST"  
Matt 6:13  
Bus arranged for Saturday, 23rd.  
To book place on bus, please contact Elizabeth at 087 7922637

### Parish Visitation

Fr. Tom is available during the coming week to visit any household or family in Barrack Lane, Harvey Place & Town Wall area for house blessing or just a chat. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.

### SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE:

Mairin Jackson—Contact No: 051-421348  
Any queries in relation to working with children or adolescence within our parish please contact the above.

**Parish Office 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 or**

**087 1212 707 (Text Alters ONLY)**  
Email: [newross-parish@hotmail.com](mailto:newross-parish@hotmail.com)  
[www.newrossparish.ie](http://www.newrossparish.ie)  
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# New Ross Parish. Church of St. Mary & St. Michael *Newsletter*



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## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### The Deep End • How happy

What's so great about being poor, or hungry, or sad? On the surface, these Beatitudes of Jesus seem very strange: 'How happy are you who are poor'. Surely it is better to be wealthy, to be well fed, and to enjoy good times – or to at least be comfortable and content?

But Jesus is not interested in comfort, or in maintaining the status quo. The Jesus of Luke's Gospel is something of a revolutionary. He has come to turn the social order on its head: last becomes first and least becomes greatest. His concern is always for the poor and marginalised.

Jesus' vision is of a world where the unjust structures that cause poverty, hunger and oppression are swept away. Sadly, as we hear on the news every day, inequalities in our world with regard to wealth, education, health and

opportunities remain as stark as ever. Speaking about how we can tackle injustice today, Pope Francis has offered six 'new Beatitudes' for the modern Christian. Like the teachings of Jesus, they remind us that the task of the Christian is to tackle injustice and to act in solidarity with those on the margins of society.

Pope Francis' 'new Beatitudes' include:

Blessed are those who renounce their own comfort in order to help others.  
Blessed are those who look into the eyes of the abandoned and marginalised and show them their closeness.

Blessed are those who protect and care for our common home.

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### Today's Readings

Before us today are the stark choices: blessing or curse, happiness or despair. Jesus puts before us his way of life. The Beatitudes are a recipe for genuine peace and happiness. The alternative is the way of empty pleasure and ultimate destruction. The Christian puts down deep roots and with joy draws from the wells of salvation.

*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 16th	6.00pm	Richard Butler, Mt. Carmel 1st Anniversary
Sun 17th	8.00am	Mary Cashin, JKL Place Anniversary
	9.00am	Michael Freaney, Ballylane East Anniversary
	10.00am	William O' Flaherty, William St. 1st Anniversary
	12.00pm	Joe Crosbie, Pondfields Month's Mind
Mon 18th	8.00am	Special Intentions Intentions
	10.00am	Brian & Mary Fortune, Shanbogh Anniversaries
Tues 19th	8.00am	Special Intentions Intentions
	10.00am	Martin Byrne, St. Martin's Camblin Anniversary
Wed 20th	8.00am	Intentions of the People Mount Carmel
	10.00am	Paddy Barron, Convent Hill Anniversary
Thurs 21st	8.00am	Jack Foley, Irishtown Anniversary
	10.00am	John Hennessy, New Ross Anniversary
Fri 22nd	8.00am	Edward & Bridget McDonald, Newbawn Anniversaries
	10.00am	The Leacy Family, Charleton Hill Anniversaries
Sat 23rd	8.00am	Special Intentions Intentions
	10.00am	Parish Mass Association
	6.00pm	Mary McDermot, Knockavilla 1st Anniversary
Sun 24th	8.00am	Elizabeth & Patrick St. ledger, Mt. Carmel Anniversaries
	9.00am	Joan Kinsella, Knockmullen Rita Rose Bailey, Knockmullen Anniversaries
	10.00am	Eddie, Nellie & Anthony Larkin, Mary St. Anniversaries
	12.00pm	Margaret Murphy (nee Sheehan) Roscommon & formerly of Cross St., New Ross Month's Mind

**Mass Bookings:** We are now currently taking mass bookings for masses up to July 2019.

Intentions for the living can ONLY be accommodated as "SPECIAL INTENTIONS" (GDPR Regulations) - Please advise at time of booking

### ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS

We remember in our prayers, Alice Quinn, Priory St. , Maureen Doyle, South St. & Newtown Commons, Michael Foley, Lwr. William St., Thomas Hamilton whose anniversaries occurs around this time. Should you wish to have a loved one included in this section, please contact the Parish Office with the details by the previous Wednesday before 2.00pm. Thank you.

### BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Christian community Noah David James Murray, Southknock who was baptised recently. For Baptism Bookings on Saturdays @ 4.30PM & Sundays @ 1.00pm, please contact the Parish Office. Copy of Birth Certificates are required for the individual. Photo ID also required for the person making / requesting the enquiry. Certificate fees at €5 each. Thank you.

**Pastoral Centre's:** Legion of Mary & St. Michael's are available for bookings. Please contact the Parish Office.

## Gospel Reading

We are told that Jesus 'fixed his eyes on the disciples' before speaking. This suggests that he was about to say something that he really wanted them to take in. Surprisingly he then tells them it is no bad thing for us to be poor or hungry. But perhaps you have recognised the truth in what St. Augustine said: 'You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you.'

'Blessed are you who weep' is not an encouragement to be miserable. Rather it is an affirmation of the importance of loving relationships in life. We are blessed to have such people in our lives, but there may also be pain. Yet is it not true that the blessing of loving and being loved is worth the price you pay?

Jesus said that his followers would be open to opposition and ridicule because of him, and that they are blessed when this happens. Unpleasant it may, but have you not been grateful on those occasions when you had the courage to stand by something that you believed in?

### RECENTLY DECEASED

We remember in our prayers Donna Kehoe (nee Bailey) Enniscorthy & formerly of Charleton Hill, Mary (May) Hartley (nee Kennedy) Tullogher, Tony (Anthony) Murphy Rosbercon, Sonia Georgina Spencer (nee Flood) The Rower, Patrick (Packie) Phelan, Campile, Ann Taylor, Co. Clare, formerly of South St. New Ross & Mary Shannon, Ballymaclare, New Ross who passed away recently.

**May They Rest In Peace**

### Ash Wednesday 6th March 2109

**Distribution of Ashes only at 1.05pm & 6.00pm**

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

### SANCTUARY LAMP:

"Special Intentions"  
Sanctuary Lamp available @ €10.00 per week.

## Reflection for weekend 16th & 17th February 2019

### Question 10 *What is the bible?*

The bible is the most important book in the world. Written in it are things we know about God. The bible tells us how much God loves us. Through the words of Sacred Scripture God directly speaks to us. Sacred Scripture is not a book of old fables. When I am reading the bible I know God himself is now speaking to me. If the bible says, for example: "*You are the light for the world*" (Mt:5-14), this also applies to us Christians of today. God believes that we can make the world a bright and beautiful place. Pope Frances says of the bible: "*What would happen if we treated the bible like we do our mobile phones? If we went back to retrieve it when we forgot it at home? If we took it out several times a day; if we read God's messages in the bible like we read messages on the mobile phone?*" Would you consider getting a pocket-size little Bible? Finally a quote from the bible: Cast all your anxieties on Him, for He cares about you... And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, establish, and strengthen you (1 Peter 5:7,9-10). Tune in next week for more of the 12 Questions!

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### WEEKLY COLLECTION

Sunday 10th February 2019  
Envelopes: 259  
Amount: €1,745.09  
**THANK YOU.**

