



# New Ross Parish, Church of St. Mary & St. Michael

Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10.30am to 2.00pm. 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 Alerts ONLY) Email: info@newrossparish.ie Web: www.newrossparish.ie Holy Mass Cards (signed) are also available in Cooney's & Ryan's Funeral Homes. **PRIEST ON DUTY (051) 421214**

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Date	Time	Intention
Sat 25th Jan	6.00pm	Joe Crosbie, Pondfields 1st Anniversary
Sun 26th Jan	8.00am	Michael Connolly, Barrack Lane Anniversary
	9.00am	Mairin Murphy, Ballyrue Anniversary
	10.00am	John & Kathleen Kehoe, JKL Place & The Mauldins Anniversary
	12.00pm	Miriam Cullen, Nunnery Lane Recently Deceased
Mon 27th Jan	8.00am	Ger St. Ledger, Tower Grove Anniversary
	10.00am	Thomas & Margaret Cahill Anniversaries Lower Michael Street
Tues 28th Jan	8.00am	Matt Callaghan, Begerinloftus Anniversary
	10.00am	The Lyng Family, Ballyanne Anniversaries
Wed 29th Jan	8.00am	Mass for the People of the Parish
	10.00am	Winnie Jones, Late of Irishtown Anniversary
Thurs 30th Jan	8.00am	Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary Anniversaries
	10.00am	Lena Connolly & her grandson Anniversaries Michael Connolly, Church Lane
Fri 31st Jan	8.00am	Thanksgiving
	10.00am	The Sinnott Family, Chapel Lane Anniversaries
Sat 1st Feb	8.00am	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Parish Mass Association

Sanctuary Lamps available @ €10.00 per week. Commencing Saturday @ 6.00pm.

Our Lady's (Left)	Altar (Centre)	St. Josephs (Right)
Special Intentions	Brenda Kielthy	Available

**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**  
Mal 3:1-4. Ps 23:7-10, R/ v 8.  
Heb 2:14-18. Lk2:22-40

**Catherine McAuley Junior School**  
An Open Day is being held on Wednesday 29th January. All are welcome to come and see our facilities and our educational approach, between 12.30pm and 2.30pm. We will also open in the evening on the 29th January from 6pm to 7pm for anybody who cannot make it during the day.  
Please visit the school for an application form or contact us at 051 425586 or [newrossjuniorschool@gmail.com](mailto:newrossjuniorschool@gmail.com).

**Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes Invalid Pilgrim Section 9th—14th May 2020**  
Application forms are available from to parish office and must be submitted by 1st March

**Table Quiz In aid of the Burren Chernobyl Project Friday 31st January @7.30pm Horse and Hound, Cushinstown**  
This fundraiser is being organised by 2 Good Counsel Students who are heading out in April to work for a week with their school. All proceeds raised go to the Gorodische Childrens Orphanage, and used to buy food, medicines, and carry out repairs. All support would be greatly appreciated.

**FREE COOKERY COURSE**  
Ramsgrange Community School starting 4th Feb for 6 weeks. Theme: "Healthy food made easy" and "Cooking on a budget" To book a place call/text Sharon on 0892211764. Limited places available.



## Confirmation & Communion

Giftware now available in Parish Office.



**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We remember in our prayers Miriam Cullen, Nunnery Lane who has passed away recently. May She Rest in Peace. 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.

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:** We remember in our prayers Molly & Pat Hendrick, Brewley Street, Peter & Betty Furness, Thomas Gannon, Priesthaggard Larry Malone, Pondfields, Kathleen & John William(1st Anniversary) Kehoe JKL Place & The Mauldins, David Connick, (13th Anniversary) whose anniversary 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 Sadhbh Cullen, Southknock. For Baptism Bookings on Saturdays @ 4.30pm & Sundays @ 1.00pm ONLY (No Baptisms Mon to Fri), Please contact the Parish Office, a minimum of two weeks notice is required. Copy of Birth Certificates are required for the candidate. Photo ID also required for the person making / requesting the booking. A maximum of two candidates can be accommodated for bookings.

*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.*

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY & PARISH INFORMATION.....

**St. Brigid's Day:** Saturday 1st of February 2020, Mass times as usual.

**Presentation of our Lord:** Sunday 2nd February, Mass times as usual with the blessing of the candles after each Mass.

**Feast of St. Blaise:** Monday 3rd February, Mass times as usual with Blessing of throats after all Masses.

**First Confessions for Communion Candidates:** Thursday 2nd of April @ 7.00pm.

**Confirmation:** Saturday 25th April 2020 @ 12 noon, Confirmation gifts are now available to purchase from our Parish Office.

**First Holy Communion:** Saturday 23rd May 2020 @ 12 noon. Communion gifts are now available to purchase from our Parish Office

**Confessions:** Saturdays after 10.00am Holy Mass & before 6.00pm Holy Mass. Mon — Fri on request after 10.00am Holy Mass. Please notify the priest before Mass in the Sacristy.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Every Tuesday from 10.00am Holy Mass to 9.00pm finishing with Solemn Benediction. Holy Hour @ 3.00pm followed by the Rosary.

**Intentions for the living:** Intentions for the living will be announced as "Special Intentions" unless the person who the intention is for signs the GDPR Regulation Slip. Please advise at time of booking.

**Certificate Requests:** Certificate fees at €5 each. Photographic ID is required for the candidate including Photographic ID for the person who has been authorised by you to collect it. Request forms are available in the Parish Office. Collection on Fridays only.

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

**Meals on Wheels:** Avail of our piping hot quality meals available 5 days a week. To order just call 051-445711, Sr. Aidan Centre, Cross St.

**New Ross Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group:** Support is available to all who are grieving or suffering loss of any kind. Contact No: 087-3846577. Their **Drop in Centre** is held in 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.

**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.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL—NEW ROSS:** 085 8313073

**Home Visitation Team:** Tel 083 474 5789 to avail of this service or to volunteer.

**Legion of Mary:** Meetings every Wednesday evening in the Parish Pastoral Centre, Robert St., New Ross at 7.30pm. Contact Des & Marie on 051—420523. Rosary & Divine Mercy are recited every Friday @3.00pm on the Quay next to Dunbrody Centre.

**Radio Holy Mass:** 104.7FM Saturday Vigil @ 6.00pm & 10.00am Daily including Funerals Masses.

**IRISH CATHOLIC NEWSPAPER:** On sale weekly in Parish Office @ €2 each.

**Mass Bookings:** We are taking mass bookings up to and including June 2020 at the moment.

**Parish Visitation:** Fr. Tom is available during the coming week to visit any household or family in Barretts Park, Knockavilla and Ard Mhicil area for house blessing or just a chat. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.

**Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish:** Sunday 19th January 2020 — Envelopes No. 231 Amount: €1,815.05 THANK YOU. 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. Please make all cheques payable to St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church Newross.



## Reflection for weekend 25th & 26th Jan 2020

### Where love exists, God is present

The kitchen is where my children gather when they come from school, raiding cupboards for food and all talking at once. This is where meals that can take an hour to prepare are eaten in 5 minutes. The kitchen is where I bake bread and my children bake cakes. Our table is where we gather to eat and pray. We have welcomed family and friends to celebrations around this table. Homework is done here, projects cut and glued, letters written, bills paid. We have had plenty of arguments around this table — about silly things and serious things. We have watched our children grow from babies to confident young people with plenty of opinions and dreams. Our kitchen is the heart of our home. The most important message is simply " your homes, your lives as a family are holy. God is present right at the heart of your family life" I can honestly say that, family is both the most challenging and the most wonderful part of my life. I believe that it is here, at the heart of our family, that God calls each one of us to become the people God has created us to be.

### The Lap of God

She was shelling peas, apron-covered knees. Spread wide to catch each pea/each pod. I, shaky, needy wandered near. Her ancient swollen hands pushed back the hair that hid my face. She set down the pan and, patting her knee Said: Oh, child, come on up here and let me have a look at you. Her voice was safe and so was I Sitting in the lap of God. (Martha Popson)

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Catholic Schools Week 2020  
Catholic Schools: Living in Harmony with God's Creation

# CELEBRATING

## Catholic Schools Week 2020 in Your School

26 January – 2 February 2020

The theme for Catholic Schools Week this year is  
*Catholic Schools: Living in Harmony with God's Creation*

## Ballyvaloo Retreat & Conference Centre

Thursday 30th January at 7.30pm

Come Celebrate the Feast of St Brigid In Prayer, Poetry, Music & Song

All Welcome

## DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

The Knock Diocesan Pilgrimage Committee are hoping to establish a network of people around the diocese to promote the annual pilgrimage which takes place on the first Sunday of July. Volunteers are required from the various groups in the parish such as the Pastoral Council, Parish Council, Choir, Liturgy Group, Legion of Mary, St Vincent de Paul etc. who would be prepared to work with us to promote the pilgrimage. Any one interested may contact either of the following: Eileen Carton, secretary 0872933545;

Email: eileen.carton@yahoo.com Gerald O'Leary PP Director 0868515394; Email: Geraldoleary@gmail.com