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

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HOLY HOUR

Tuesday evenings from 6PM to

7PM with Prayer Reflections &

**Reflective Music concluding with** 

Benediction.

Please join us live stream on our

website or tune in on Radio

104.7FM.

Ross Parish

RADIO MASS 104.7FM MASS & LIVE STREAM ON PARISH WEBSITE.				Sanctuary Lamps Available @ €10.00 per week.
Date	Time	Intention		Commencing Saturday
Sat 13th June 2020	6.00pm	Geraldine Doyle, Galway & Australia.	Birthday Remembrance	@ 6.00pm.
		Eileen Doyle, Galway. James (Jimmy) Henneberry, Charleton Hill	Anniversary 1st Anniversary	Our Lady's (Left): Special Intention
Sun 14th June	10.00am	Breda Kehoe, Caslemoyle Heights. Nell & Jim Ryan, Irishtown.	Anniversary Anniversaries	Altar (Centre): Special Intention
		Mary Butler, Mount Carmel. Mary Jo & Jimmy Sinnott, Chapel Lane.	Anniversary Anniversaries	St. Joseph's (Right): George Dalton
Mon 15th June	10.00am	Lar Ronan, Bewley Street. Helen Birmingham, Southknock.	Anniversary Anniversary	Å
Tues 16th June	10.00am	Friends of Mount Carmel. John Dreelan, Mountross.	Mount Carmel 6th Anniversary	PARISH
Wed 17th June	10.00am	Mass for People of the Parish Michael Kiely, Irishtown.	Anniversary	OFFICE
Thurs 18th June	10.00am	Special Intensions. Nora Barrett, Cork & London	Ordination Anniversary	Come in we're open!
Fri 19th June	10.00am	Special Intension.	4th Anniversary Ordination	<u>Monday –Friday</u> <u>10.30am - 2.00pm</u>
		Joan Murphy, Upper William Street	Anniversary Anniversary	<u>Closed Bank Holidays</u> <u>Holy Days of Obligation</u>
Sat 20th June	10.00am	Parish Mass Association		
MASS BOOKINGS: We are now taking Mass Bookings up to and including November 2020				Please Follow HSE Guidelines & Stay Safe

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember Olive Doran, Church Lane, Jack Dwyer, Michael Street,

Michael Kelly, Ballinaberna, Ballywilliam & Thomas Mernagh, Bewley Street 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.

### THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK

This week's interview is with Bishop Denis as he looks back of 50 years of priesthood and shares with us his thoughts on the journey along the way. As priests celebrate their anniversaries at this time of year, Patricia McNally from the Lay Vocations Council writes a poem of encouragement and appreciation. We have a homily for the great feast of Corpus Christi as we reflect on the gift of the Eucharist. We feature an article that introduces us to the feast of the Wexford Martyrs which falls on June 20<sup>th</sup> and include some resources for the Feast of the Sacred Heart on June 19<sup>th</sup>. Finally, we continue our series on the gifts of the Holy Spirit, this week exploring the gift of courage or fortitude.

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.

#### PARISH INFORMATION......

Safeguarding Representative: Mairin Jackson — Contact No: (051) 421348 — Any gueries in relation to working with children or adolescence within our parish please contact the above.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL-NEW ROSS: 085 8313073

Radio & Live Stream Mass: 104.7FM & New Ross Parish Website, Saturday Vigil @ 6.00pm & 10.00am Daily including Funerals Masses

New Ross Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group: Due to the Covid19 on-going restrictions New Ross Bethany Bereavement Support Group are unable to provide our Drop-In Service, or hold any face to face meetings at present. We are however, continuing our telephone service. If you need support at this time please do not hesitate to call us on 087 3846577.

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

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

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

Next Weeks Readings: 11TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary 2 Chr 24:17-25. Ps 88: 4-5, 29-34, R/ v 29. Mt 6: 24-34.

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

Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish: During this unique period when normal services are not possible, we suggest that weekly envelopes be deposited in the letter box at the parish Office. Alternatively you can donate to our Parish via. "The Big Pink Donate Button" as per below sample, on the Ferns Diocesan Website. Contributions for the support of the priests maybe placed in a normal envelope and deposited in the same post box. Please make all cheques payable to St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church New Ross. Total for Weekend 6th/7th June @ € 3,083.95 (117 No. Envelopes). Thank you for the support.

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#### Dear Father,

You are like a wing that shelters my children, strong with protection, soft with grace. You are like a shield that encircles them each day.

They run free and you are with them as they adventure. You are like a crown placed upon their heads, a symbol of sonship, of belonging and of their adoption into your family.

Lord, I place them into your great care and declare that they are yours.

Amen.

## MIND.... YOUR.... LANGUAGE !



A line from the ballad "GALWAY BAY" describes the local people as "speaking a language that the strangers do not know".

Language has just one function – it is the normal vehicle through which people communicate with each other. It goes without saying that the

language used must be understood by each party to the conversation; that the vocabulary must be in common use and that colloquialisms have an accepted meaning. If any of these elements is missing, proper communication either fails or is seriously hampered.

For those who believe in God, communication with Him is vital in keeping close to Him in all the ups and downs of life. We do this in a few ways: we can use prayers composed by others, we can talk to Him in our own words and we can join in the prayers of the Mass.

The prayers composed by others help to put our own thoughts and intentions into words. The prayers we make up ourselves of course are personal and powerful because they come from our hearts and arise from our needs. God listens carefully and sympathetically to our words.

It might sound strange to say that the words of the Mass can be a problem when it comes to talking to God.; it is not easy to make them our own. That is not surprising because the Mass is a very formal occasion. It is the show-piece of our religion. So the language used can't be that of everyday conversation. Having said that, maybe a better effort could have been made in make the words of the Mass a little more "user-friendly". Translators get caught up in the need for accuracy and nicely balanced and well-rounded sentences but the result can be complicated statements that are difficult to read and even harder still to follow.

However as the old saying goes "it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness" Maybe each of us could do more to overcome the problem of the language of the Mass. Would we ever consider making some preparation to help us get more out of our attendance? We could spend sometime reading about the various parts of the Mass, what they mean and how they fit the words; how to apply the prayers to our daily lives.; how to LIVE the OUR FATHER for example - Jesus presents us with a big challenge in the middle of that prayer that might make us uncomfortable - where we ask God to forgive us in the same way as we forgive others. Be careful what you ask for! Mass is the opportunity to ask for His help to meet the challenge

Praver is talking and listening to God. We do that privately in our own way. At times we might not use words at all. The old man sat at the bottom of the Church everyday and when asked what he did he said "I look at Him and He looks at me".

When we come together to God's House as His family, we join in the community's conversation with God through Mass. We might not follow every word but our intention is to be part of this meeting of close friends. Inside the formal prayers of the Mass, we can guietly talk to God in our own words and when talking to this special, understanding friend there is not need to MIND....OUR....LANGUAGE!