






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 Mass Cards, General Cards & Gift Ideas for all occasions. Mass Cards (signed) are also available in Cooney's & Ryan's Funeral Homes.

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Please follow HSE Guidelines & Stay Safe when entering all Parochial Premises **Volume 35. No. 37**

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 12th Sept	5.00pm	
	6.00pm	Peg Cleary, Neville Street
Sun 13th Sept	9.00am	Peader Maher, Knockmullen
	10.00am	Billy Woods, The Maudlins. Anastasia O'Brien & Deceased Family Members of the O'Brien & Brennan Families, Mary street.
	11.00am	
	12.00pm	Billy Woods, The Maudlins
Mon 14th Sept	10.00am	Special Intentions Special Intentions
Tues 15th Sept	10.00am	Honor Kavanagh Martin, Parkfield
Wed 16th Sept	10.00am	Mass for the People of the Parish. Thomas & Bridget Somers, Charleton Hill
Thur 17th Sept	10.00am	Holy Souls Fr. Philip Sinnott, OSA, Chapel Lane
Fri 18th Sept	10.00am	Helena Brennan Pat & Rita Reidy, Limerick
Sat 19th Sept	10.00am	Parish Mass Association

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

Our Lady's (Left): Special Intentions

Altar (Centre): Available

St. Joseph's (Right): Available



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN OF MS.FOSKIN CLASS WHO RECEIVED THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION ON SATURDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER.



CANDLES OF HOPE NOW AVAILABLE. WE ALSO HAVE MANY GIFTS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN RECEIVING THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

RECENTLY DECEASED: We remember in our prayers Michael O'Connor, JKL Place & Ann O'Neill, Newtown Commons. May They Rest in Peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We pray for the soul of Mary Mullett, Charleton Hill whose anniversary occurs around this time.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our Christian Community Alannah Winnie Killian, Castlemoyle, Caiden Joseph Kelly, The Friary & Izydor Palubiak, Grange Road who was baptised recently. For Baptism Bookings on the first Saturday of the month @ 1.00pm & third Sunday of the month @ 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 booking. SHOULD YOU WISH TO HAVE A SOMEONE INCLUDED IN THIS SECTION PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE WITH THE DETAILS BY THE PREVIOUS WEDNESDAY BEFORE 2.00PM. THANK YOU

Confirmations 2020

Sacraments		
Parents Meeting Wednesdays @ 7.00pm	Confirmation Saturdays @ 11.00am	
Date	Date	
Ms. Whelan	16th Sept	19th Sept
Mr. Ring	Mon 21st Sept	26th Sept

Parents Meeting & Confirmations will be celebrated on four weekends in September according to the following plan detailed below: For example: One class will meet in the Church on Wednesday the 2nd of September @ 7.00PM for a shot session to refresh our minds on the importance of what we are about to receive. Confirmations will be received by this class on the following Saturday the 5th of September @ 11.00am. The same pattern will be following for the other classes. **Ms. Whelan class meeting on this Wednesday 16th September @ 7pm and Confirmation to following Saturday 19th September @11.00am. Mask must be worn by all adults.**

Programme of events in Church: Each child will be accompanied by four family members Seating will be allocated by lottery and social distance arrangements must be strictly followed.

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.....

Next Weeks Readings: Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Eccles (Sir) 27:30-28:7. Ps 102: 1-4, 9-12, R/v 8. Rm 14:7-9. Mt 18: 21-35.

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

Eucharistic Adoration: Every Tuesday from 10.00am Mass to 9.00pm finishing with Solemn Benediction. Holy Hour @ 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 on 051—420523. Rosary & Divine Mercy are recited every Friday @3.00pm on the Quay next to Dunbrody Centre.

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

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

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

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.

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

New Ross Parish Bethany Bereavement Support Group: Support is available from 6th August 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.

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

Mass Bookings: We are taking Mass bookings up to and including February 2021.

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.

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 or at the allocated collection boxes at the main entrance of the Church.

Please make all cheques payable to St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church New Ross. Total for Weekend 5th & 6th September @ € 2,093.70 (224 No. Envelopes). **Thank you for the support.** Alternatively you can donate via. The Ferns Diocesan Website by clicking the big pink button.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TWO ADDITIONAL MASSES ARE BEEN CELEBRATED, SATURDAY EVENING VIGIL@5PM & SUNDAY MORNING @11AM FOR THE INTERIM THANK YOU



CAUSING..... A SILENT REVOLUTION?

A REVOLUTION has been defined as a fundamental and sudden change in political, military or social circumstances.

COVID 19 is a serious disease and not a revolution in itself.

But is it too dramatic to suggest that this year 2020- as a result of Covid 19 -is experiencing a revolution of the latter kind- in social circumstances? I think not.

This disease hasn't yet revealed its full potential to bring about social change, making it difficult for society to mount a confident response.

What is clear is that its effects are eating their way into every facet of daily life, forcing a stunned world to re-assess its normal, traditional patterns of behaviour.

All this quite apart from the fatal nature of the disease itself and the forecasted long-term damage to the health of survivors.



Our immediate and urgent duty is to adhere strictly to all the guidelines in combatting its spread. This will be our reality-behaviour-wise for the foreseeable future. Talk of a swift return to our previous NORMAL life-style would be like "whistling passing a Graveyard"!

While now is not the time to be seeking a silver lining to this cloud, It is important to latch onto any positive, unexpected outcomes, which might emerge. Some small green shoots maybe breaking through the surface even as we struggle with this worrying present.

We seem to becoming more aware of each other, a feature of Irish life that we may have let slip in the recent years of plenty.

Community spirit has blossomed during the tedious 'lock-down'.

Social-distancing is lessening the urge to "jump the queue".

Is there a positive reaction to the shock that we are dependent beings and not the masters of our destiny?

Present necessary changes in work practices will likely result in more flexibility in future working arrangements- to the advantage of employees, employers and family and social life.

Traditional practices, which up to now seemed untouchable, may be profitably re-assessed as to their suitability to a new world life-style.

The "Lock-down" and the many other necessary curtailments on accepted freedoms, are creating a new appreciation of those freedoms.

The inability to be with family, to visit the sick and to mourn the dead in our traditional ways, while naturally upsetting, will give rise to a renewed awakening of the importance of people in our live

Hopefully our Church too will reflect on our recent experience in planning future liturgies. This year's celebration of the Sacraments for the children is a case in point. The more intimate, simpler format hopefully created a memory and also emphasised the real purpose of the occasions – to be encouraged by the love and forgiveness of God in Confession, to welcome Jesus in Holy Communion and to receive the power of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation. May these simpler celebrations become the way forward?

As we continue the struggle to eradicate this silent, hidden virus, may we take seriously now and into the future our very clear responsibly to play our part, especially in caring for others.

May we build on the important positives lessons gained during this unique period in our lives.

Monsignor Joseph McGrath