






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. 40**

Date	Time	Intention
Sat 3rd Oct	5.00pm	
	6.00pm	Jim Tobin, late of William Street.
Sun 4th Oct	9.00am	Doris & Michael Murphy, Charleton Hill and deceased members of the Murphy & Donlan families, Rosbercon
	10.00am	Anna Flynn, Barrack Lane Elizabeth Murphy, Irishtown
	11.00am	
	12.00pm	Jim Lee, Folly House Lane
Mon 5th Oct	10.00am	Jimmy Druhan, Surrey England, formerly William Street. Mary Browne, Chapel Lane
Tues 6th Oct	10.00am	Intentions Ellen Bowe, Abbey Hall
Wed 7th Oct	10.00am	Mass for the People of the Parish. Kitty & Jack Freaney, Wexford Street.
Thur 8th Oct	10.00am	Edward Kehoe, The Rower Michael O'Leary, Bosheen
Fri 9th Oct	10.00am	Alice Lennon, Mount Carmel Andy Cass, Charleton Hill
Sat 10th Oct	10.00am	Parish Mass Association

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

Our Lady's (Left): Available

Altar (Centre): John Bowe, Abbey Hall

St. Joseph's (Right): Available

Parish Church New Ross Collections.



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.



† DIOCESE OF FERNS

PARISH INFORMATION.....

Next Weeks Readings: Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Is 25:6-10. Ps 22:9, R/ v 6. Phil 4:120-14, 19-20. Mt 22:1-14.

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 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 now taking Mass bookings up to and including March 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.

LEST WE FORGET.....

The demand is frequently voiced that control of schools should be removed from the Catholic Church.

This statement ignores two important facts :-

- 1) the present reality regarding the control of schools.
- 2) the genesis of the Catholic Church's involvement in schools.

1. Schools in Ireland are governed by Education Acts promulgated by the Irish Parliament (The DAIL). The Department of Education and Skills administers these Acts through Circular Letters, binding on school Boards of Management. Written Agreements between the Department, the Teacher Unions and Management Bodies make for the smooth operation of the day-to-day business of schools. Therefore control of schools does not lie with any individual body



2. The Ireland of the 18th and 19th centuries was governed to a greater or lesser degree by the severity of the Penal Laws. These laws were devised for the sole purpose of keeping our ancestors poor, ignorant and in subjection.

POVERTY was assured by the Law that forbade a father bequeathing his land to his eldest son. Instead he had to divide his holding among all his sons. So, for example, in the case of a family of five sons, it meant that each son ended up five times poorer than his father was.

Catholics were forbidden to organise schools in order to keep them **IGNORANT** education-wise; the mantra being "educate the Irish and they will rule themselves". **SUBJECTION** was maintained by excluding the Irish from any say in the running of their country.

With the relaxation of these Laws, the Catholic Emancipation Act of 1829 and the growth of a Catholic middle class, things began to improve in the areas of health, education and social services.

The Catholic Church was the only organisation on the ground with the structures, the personnel and the Gospel commitment to take on the mammoth task of providing schools, hospitals and social services for a needy nation. Religious Congregations of Sisters and Brothers were formed to meet these needs. People, devoting their lives to a relationship with Jesus, through a radical living of His way of life, giving practical expression to that by dedicating themselves fully to providing these educational, health and social services almost totally from their own resources.

With the gaining of our freedom and the formation of our own State, an impoverished nation continued to depend on the Catholic Church in these areas in the provision of facilities and personnel.

That story has shadows too and serious failures along the way; they must not be air-brushed out but acknowledged and repented of. Blanket condemnations however serve no cause. The good and the bad stand side by side in the narrative.

It is always the obligation of the State to cater for the needs of its citizens. That is what has happened. Once in a position financially to do so the State has rightly assumed that obligation so that today schools, hospitals and social services are governed and supported by the Government.

Religious personnel have all but disappeared from our schools and hospitals. The present generation maybe unaware of the massive contribution made by countless women and men who were happy to give their all for those they served.

The Catholic Church will continue faithful to their memory and its mission in contributing to development in all these vital areas of health and education.

If we choose to forget our past we cannot understand our present and will have no future.

LEST WE FORGET.....!

Monsignor Joseph McGrath



PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM COVID 19

Almighty God we turn to you in prayer and ask for your protection against Covid 19.

We remember especially all who are suffering from Covid 19. Grant them your healing and comfort.

Grant protection to all frontline workers and keep them safe and strong in carrying out their duties.

Bless everyone under your care with your wisdom, knowledge and right judgement.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord.

Amen

2019 PARISH ACCOUNTS

Available to view on the notice boards at the rear of the Church & Legion of Mary Pastoral Centre Porch.

PARISH OFFICE



PARISH MASS ASSOCIATION MASS BINDERS @ 10.00 EACH

WE ALSO MANY OTHER GIFTS AND CANDLES AVAILABLE

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.

Rosary on the Coast for Life & Faith

Sunday 11th October

- Courtown Harbour - 2.30 pm
- The Hook – 2.15 pm
- St Lawrence's Church, Glynn – 2.30 pm
- Ferrybank (across from swimming pool) – 2.30 pm