

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.**

## GREETING

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And with your spirit.**

## PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and prince of peace:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God have mercy on us....

## THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer; you are seated  
at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## OPENING PRAYER

God of might, giver of every good gift,  
put into our hearts the love of your  
name, so that, by deepening our sense  
of reverence, you may nurture in us what  
is good and, by your watchful care, keep  
safe what you have nurtured.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING Deuteronomy 4:1-2. 6-8

**A reading from the book of Deuteronomy**  
Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel,  
take notice of the laws and customs that  
I teach you today, and observe them,  
that you may have life and may enter  
and take possession of the land that the  
Lord the God of your fathers is giving  
you. You must add nothing to what I  
command you, and take nothing from it,  
but keep the commandments of the Lord  
your God just as I lay them down for you.  
Keep them, observe them, and they will  
demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom  
and understanding. When they come to  
know of all these laws they will exclaim,  
"No other people is as wise and prudent

as this great nation." And indeed, what  
great nation is there that has its gods  
so near as the Lord our God is to us  
whenever we call to him? And what great  
nation is there that has laws and customs  
to match this whole Law that I put before  
you today?'

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM P.S. 14:2-5

**R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy  
mountain?  
He who walks without fault;  
he who acts with justice  
and speaks the truth from his heart. **[R]**

2. He who does no wrong to his brother,  
who casts no slur on his neighbour,  
who holds the godless in disdain,  
but honours those who fear the Lord. **[R]**

3. He who keeps his pledge, come what  
may;  
who takes no interest on a loan  
and accepts no bribes against the  
innocent.  
Such a man will stand firm for ever. **[R]**

### SECOND READING

**James 1:17-18. 21-22.27**

**A reading from the letter of St. James**

It is all that is good, everything that is  
perfect, which is given us from above;  
it comes down from the Father of all  
light; with him there is no such thing as  
alteration, no shadow of a change. By  
his own choice he made us his children  
by the message of the truth so that we  
should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he  
had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has  
been planted in you and can save your  
souls. But you must do what the word  
tells you, and not just listen to it and  
deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoil religion, in the eyes of God  
our Father is this: coming to the help of  
orphans and widows when they need it,  
and keeping oneself uncontaminated by  
the world.

**The word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! By his own choice the Father made us his children by the message of the truth, so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he created. Alleluia!**

### GOSPEL Mark 7:1-8.14-15.21-23

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

The Pharisees and some of the scribes  
who had come from Jerusalem gathered  
round Jesus, and they noticed that some  
of his disciples were eating with unclean  
hands, that is, without washing them. For  
the Pharisees, and the Jews in general,  
follow the tradition of the elders and  
never eat without washing their arms as  
far as the elbow; and on returning from

the market place they never eat without  
first sprinkling themselves. There are  
also many other observances which have  
been handed down to them concerning  
the washing of cups and pots and bronze  
dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes  
asked him, 'Why do your disciples not  
respect the tradition of the elders but  
eat their food with unclean hands?'  
He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites  
that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this  
passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-  
service,  
while their hearts are far from me.  
The worship they offer me is worthless,  
the doctrines they teach are only human  
regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God  
to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again  
and said, 'Listen to me all of you, and  
understand. Nothing that goes into  
a man from outside can make him  
unclean; it is the things that come out  
of a man that make him unclean. For it  
is from within, from men's hearts, that  
evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft,  
murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit,  
indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All  
these evil things come from within and  
make a man unclean.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

### NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*All bow for following three lines:*

and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son, who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic  
and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness  
of sins and I look forward to the resurrection  
of the dead and the life of the world to come.  
**Amen.**



## LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, .....  
May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your  
hands for the praise and glory of his name,  
for our good and the good of all his holy  
Church.

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacred offering, O Lord,  
confer on us always the blessing  
of salvation,  
that what it celebrates in mystery  
it may accomplish in power.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them up to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right and just.**

### SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

### AFTER THE CONSECRATION

*The mystery of faith.*

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your  
Cross and Resurrection you have set us  
free.

### INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, .....  
Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter  
under my roof, but only say the word and my  
soul shall be healed.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**How great is the goodness, Lord,  
that you keep for those who fear you.**

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed by this bread  
from the heavenly table,  
we beseech you, Lord,  
that, being the food of charity,  
it may confirm our hearts and stir  
us to serve you in our neighbour.  
Through Christ our Lord.

### CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, and the Son, ✠  
and the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

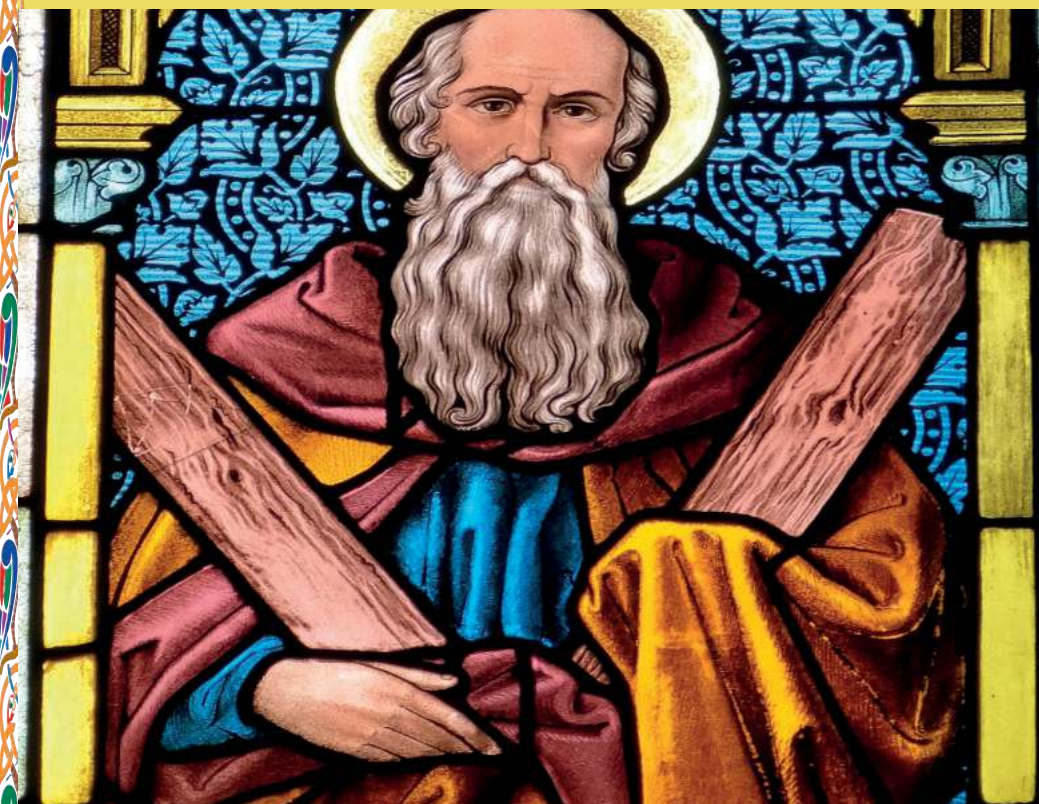
Go in peace, glorifying the Lord  
by your life. **Thanks be to God..**



# focus on sunday

TWENTY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 29th August 2021

**Jesus denounces hypocrisy and a religion concerned only with externals.  
He demands a change of heart and a sincerity  
between what we say and what we do.**



The Gospel today is to look at the heart.

How we do what we do is important. But the heart is the space of  
true religion. Both goodness and sin can come from the heart. A  
loving gesture of friendship in this case was much more important  
than a religious ruling.

This can come into everyday life a lot and into many church areas – divorce,  
remarriage and communion; LGBT issues; the change for the better in how we  
speak of death by suicide, and in our approach to single or unmarried parents.

The rediscovery now, is the big commandment – love God and love our neighbour.  
We remember the humility and sadness of the Pope at the phoenix Park Mass,  
begging forgiveness for the abuse of innocent people – in many ways including  
abuse of conscience.

We easily judge people. The call now in the church is to relate on the level of the  
heart.

For Jesus and the best of his ancestors, the command is love God and love your  
neighbour. Let us bring these words with us for the week.

*I pray Lord for a great love of you which reaches in tolerance and love to my  
neighbour.*

*Donal Neary SJ (editor Sacred Heart Messenger).*

## Jesus' Story

*Fr. Liam Hickey*



The Advert says 'Before you make up your mind open it.' Jesus tells us  
today that it is the spirit inside our hearts that opens our minds and gives  
wisdom. Our minds are wonderful. They take things apart, like the human  
body, engines and ipods, to see how they work. But It is the spirit of heart,  
the inside mind, that puts things together. All life, all nature, all breath, are  
God's gifts, superabundant blessings of A LOVING FATHER.



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## RADIO MASS 104.7FM MASS & LIVE STREAM ON PARISH WEBSITE.

Date	Time		
Sat 28th Aug	5.00pm		
	6.00pm	Jim Lee, Folly House Lane	1st Anniversary
Sun 29th Aug	9.00am	Shauna Tully, Mountgarrett	Anniversary
	10.00am	Mary Bolger (nee Elms) & deceased members of the Elms Family, Ard Na Gréine Tom O'Connor, Pondfields	Anniversaries 11th Anniversary
	11.00am		
	12.00 Noon	Mollie St Ledger, Upper William Street	Months Mind
Mon 30th Aug	10.00am	William Merrigan, Cross Street Michael, Gretta & Michael (Junior) O' Mahony	2nd Anniversary Anniversaries
Tues 31st Aug	10.00am	Special Intentions Frank Dalton, Ballyrue	Intentions Anniversary
Wed 1st Sept	10.00am	Intentions of the People Eileen O'Rourke, Wexford Road	Anniversary
Thurs 2nd Sept	10.00am	Mollie St Ledger, Upper William Street John & Mary Daly	Recently Deceased Anniversaries
Fri 3rd Sept	10.00am	Martin, Catherine, Mai, Michael, Jim & Marty Culleton, Cross Lane Michael & Mary Druhan, William Street	Anniversaries Anniversaries
Sat 4th Sept	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	

### PARISH INFORMATION.....

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

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

**Mass Bookings:** From Wednesday 1st September, we will be taking mass bookings up to and including February 2022.

**Next Weeks Readings:** TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Is 35:4-7. Ps. 145:7-10, R/ v 1. Jas 2:1-5. Mk 7:31-37.

**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.

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

**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.

**Bethany Bereavement Support:** Bereavement Support available by telephone Please ring 087 3846577 if you need support.

**Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish:** 22nd August 2021 @ €1,624.90 (183 No. Envelopes). Alternatively you can donate via. The Ferns Diocesan Website (www.ferns.ie) by clicking the big pink button. Thank you for the support.  
**Please make all cheques payable to St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church New Ross.** Thank you for the support.

**St. Michael's Pastoral Centre:** Available for Parish based activities, please contact the Parish office.

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

**Our Lady's (Left):**  
Mollie St Ledger, RIP

**Altar (Centre):**  
Special Intentions

**St. Joseph's (Right)**  
Fr. Tom Ryan &  
brother Gerry, RIP

### RECENTLY DECEASED:

We pray for the soul of Andy Berry, Riverside, Waterford Road & Michael Riall, Westbury, Tasmania, Australia who passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

### ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:

We pray for the souls of Richard Doyle, Mount Carmel (12th Anniversary), Seamus Martin, Charleton Hill, (4th Anniversary), Kitty Scully, Ballyrue & Johnny Scully, Ballyrue & Cushinstown who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

**BAPTISMS:** We welcome into our Christian community Joan Connors, The Maudlins, Caoimhe King, Abbey Hall, Ben Haberlin, Mountross & Rowan Delaney, Mountross. Baptisms will be celebrated every weekend at the following times **Saturday @ 1.00pm, 2.00pm & 3.00pm & Sunday @ 1.00pm, 2.00pm & 3.00pm.** Please contact the Parish Office to make booking. Copy of Birth Certificates are required for the candidate. Photo ID also required for the person making / requesting the booking.  
***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.***

*Take my hand, O Blessed Mother,  
hold me firmly lest I fall.  
I am nervous when I'm walking and to  
thee I humbly call.  
Guide me over every crossing,  
watch me when I'm on the stairs,  
let me know you are beside me,  
listen to my fervent prayers.  
Bring me to my destination safely,  
every single day.  
Help me with each undertaking,  
as the hours go on their way.  
And when evening falls upon me  
and I fear to be alone,  
take my hand, O Blessed Mother,  
once again and lead me home.  
Amen  
Supplied by Joan Rossiter*



## A NOVENA OF PRAYER BEFORE THE ORDINATION OF THE BISHOP OF FERNS 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021

*"With one mind they devoted themselves  
to prayer, together with the women and  
Mary the mother of Jesus,  
and his brothers." (Acts 1:14)*

The occasion of the appointment and ordination of Fr. Ger Nash as the next bishop of Ferns give us an opportunity as a diocesan family to pray for our diocese.

Each of the nine days will focus on and pray for a particular group in our diocese. We will also remember and pray for our bishop elect and unite with him in prayer as he prepares in these final days for his ordination.

Above is new bishop's emblem and motto, which translates, "In the Peace and Companionship of Jesus". In these days of prayer, we ask God to grant that our new bishop will, with all the diocesan family, live in the peace and companionship of Jesus.

### A Prayer for Our Bishop-Elect

God, eternal shepherd,  
you tend your Church in many ways and rule us with love.  
You have chosen your servant,  
Ger to be shepherd of your flock in the Diocese of Ferns.  
Give him a spirit of courage and right judgment,  
a spirit of knowledge and love.  
By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care,  
may he build your Church  
as a sign of salvation for the world.  
We ask this prayer, through Christ, our Lord. Amen

### Day 1 – For the Diocese of Ferns (Friday 27th August 2021)

#### Prayer

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, bless our diocese of Ferns. Keep us mindful of your command to love one another. May we live as a community of faith and bear witness to your love and grace in this world. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us  
St. Aidan, pray for us

### Day 2 – Lay Ministers in the Diocese (Saturday 28th August 2021)

#### Prayer

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, bless all who minister in the parishes, towns and villages in the diocese. Strengthen their Christian vocation, which is the universal call to holiness, and inspire their endeavours to build up the kingdom of God. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
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### Day 3 – Priests of the Diocese (Sunday 29th August 2021)

#### Prayer

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, bless the priests who minister in our diocese. Keep them faithful to their priestly vocation and resolute in the ministry to which you have called them. When they are discouraged, give them hope and pour out your Spirit upon their efforts to build up the Kingdom of God in every place where they minister. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us  
St. Aidan, pray for us

### Day 4 – Religious of the Diocese (Monday 30th August 2021)

#### Prayer

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, bless the religious men and women of the diocese. May they always reveal the love of Christ to those they encounter and continue to enrich our diocese by their dedicated lives of prayer. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us  
St. Aidan, pray for us

### Day 5 – For Families in the Diocese (Tuesday 31st August 2021)

#### Prayer

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, bless the families in our diocese. Help them in their efforts to be a support to one another, patient and kind, gentle and generous. Keep them safe in your love and always grateful for the gift of life that they share. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us  
St. Aidan, pray for us

### Day 6 – Young People in the Diocese (Wednesday 1st September 2021)

#### Prayer

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, bless the young people of our diocese. May they come to realise that they are the future of our diocese. Surround them with those who will guide them in life and help them to discern their future. May they be helped to fulfil the promises made for them at baptism. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us  
St. Aidan, pray for us

### Day 7 – Vocations (Thursday 2nd September 2021)

#### Prayer (Diocesan Prayer for Vocations)

God our Father, we trust in your loving kindness. Bless our Diocese of Ferns with many priestly and religious vocations. Give the men and women you call the light to understand your gift and the love to follow always in the footsteps of your Son. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us  
St. Aidan, pray for us

### Day 8 – For all in our diocese who are Sick or in Need (Friday 3rd September 2021)

#### Prayer

Eternal God, Shepherd and Guide, we pray for any who are in need at this time and ask that you bring healing to all are still suffering this global pandemic. Through the command to love our neighbour as ourselves, may we minister to all who suffer and are burdened down by life. May we search for them and find them, show them compassion, and come to love them. We ask this prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
**Prayer for our Bishop-Elect**  
Our Lady, Queen of Heaven, pray for us  
St. Aidan, pray for us

### Day 9 – For our Bishop- Elect, Ger (Saturday 4th September 2021)

#### Prayer for our Bishop-Elect

God, eternal shepherd, you tend your Church in many ways and rule us with love. You have chosen your servant, Ger to be shepherd of your flock in the Diocese of Ferns. Give him a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he build your Church as a sign of salvation for the world. We ask this prayer, through Christ, our Lord. Amen  
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*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.*

