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he said, 'Please bring a little water in a

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

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 came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. You will come in glory with salvation for your people:

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. May almighty God have mercy on us... Amen.

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

Almighty and merciful God, graciously keep from us all adversity, so that, unhindered in mind and body alike.

we may pursue in freedom of heart the things that are yours. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....



LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING 1 Kings 17:10-16 A reading from the first book of Kings Elijah the Prophet went off to Sidon. And when he reached the city gate, there was

a widow gathering sticks; addressing her

vessel for me to drink.' She was setting off to bring it when he called after her. 'Please' he said, 'bring me a scrap of bread in your hand.' 'As the Lord your God lives,' she replied, 'I have no baked bread, but only a handful of meal in a jar and a little oil in a jug; I am just gathering a stick or two to go and prepare this for myself and my son to eat, and then we shall die.' But Elijah said to her, 'Do not be afraid, go and do as you have said; but first make a little scone of it for me and bring it to me, and then make some for yourself and for your son. For thus the Lord speaks, the God of Israel: "Jar of meal shall not be spent, jug of oil shall not be emptied, before the day when the Lord sends rain on the face of the earth."

The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent nor the jug of oil emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 145:7-10

- R. My soul, give praise to the Lord. or Alleluia!
- 1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free.
- 2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down. It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger. [R]
- 3. The Lord upholds the widow and orphan

but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age. [R]

SECOND READING Hebrews 9:24-28 A reading from the letter to the

Hebrews It is not as though Christ had entered a man-made sanctuary which was only modelled on the real one, but it was heaven itself, so that he could appear in the actual presence of God on our behalf. And he does not have to offer himself again and again, like the high priest going into the sanctuary year after year with the blood that is not his own, or else he would have had to suffer over and over again since the world began. Instead of that, he has made his appearance once and for all, now at the end of the last age, to do away with sin by sacrificing himself. Since men only die once and after that comes judgement, so Christ too, offers himself only once to take the faults of many on himself, and when he appears a second time, it will not be to deal with sin but to reward with salvation those who are waiting for him.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life. Alleluia!



GOSPEL

Mark 12:38-44 (*shorter form 12:41-44) A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.

*He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called to his disciples and said to them. I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on. *

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

All bow for following two lines: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead:

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of

the body, and life everlasting. 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

Look with favour, we pray, O Lord, upon the sacrificial gifts offered here, that, celebrating in mystery the Passion of your Son, we may honour it with loving devotion. Through Christ our Lord.

EUCHARISTIC 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.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again..

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

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by this sacred gift, O Lord, we give you thanks and beseech your mercy, that, by the pouring forth of your Spirit, the grace of integrity may endure in those your heavenly power has entered. Through Christ our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, * and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen

Go in peace. Thanks be to God.



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(Prisoners' Sunday) The selfless generosity of the two women in today's readings is but a sign of God's generosity in giving himself in his Son, Jesus Christ. We too are called to give all that we have and trust that God will look after us.

Love giving until it hurts' - Mother Teresa.

The poor woman of today's gospel, a widow who would have had little to live on, is praised not for the amount she contributed, but that she gave everything! The story is more than factual, and maybe Jesus was exaggerating, but he is talking about giving to God, in a way that sometimes costs. Mother Teresa speaks of 'love giving until it hurts'. Jesus is also comparing her humble giving, with the showy giving of other richer people. Does the latter, subconsciously, describe my giving? What is the value of giving in order for others to see? (Let not your right hand know what your left hand is

Maybe what we give to the lives of others doesn't look much, but it has helped. We know this from the time spent by parents on their children, in time given to the elderly in the family and in the neighbourhood, in giving some money and going without other things in our lives, so that we can do that. Love given is never love emptied, for the in giving, we receive.

We never know where the effects of our love will bear fruit. Faith shared with our children may bear fruit long after we are dead. In later life people often go to the prayers and devotions they were taught in school or at home. Goodness and love shared is never wasted. Even though the lady of the gospel gave a lot, she went home the richer for it. Her religion was in the sharing of her heart, rather

This was the prayer of St Francis –lord make me a means of your peace; where there is hatred let me sow love...for it is in giving that we receive and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Donal Neary SJ, (editor Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey

Jesus liked looking at people, with interest. To day He watches a lonely women putting money in a poor box. Often we don't have money to give away, but we do have eves to see and notice people, and we have hands to help. We can welcome, hug and respect people and that is better than money.

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Our Lady's (Left): Frank & Stasia Furlong, RIP

Altar (Centre):

Bernard & Lena Furlong, RIP

St. Joseph's (Right)

John Whelan, RIF

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exford on Friday 12th November 2021 at

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

Date	Time		
Sat 6th Nov	5.00pm		
	6.00pm	Deceased Parishioners Mass	
Sun 7th Nov	9.00am	John Murphy, Southknock	Anniversary
	10.00am	Frank Duff, Dublin (Legion of Mary Founder) Michael Jordan, Mountross & his brother Pat Jordan, Cork City.	100th Anniversary 1st Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon	John O'Leary, Irishtown	Months Mind
Mon 8th Nov	10.00am	Pious 5 Maisie Monaghan, Soutknock	Anniversary
Tues 9th Nov	10.00am	Deceased Members of Mount Carmel, Relatives & Friends. Tom Kelly, Parkfield	Remembrance Anniversary
Wed 10th Nov	10.00am	Intentions of the People Bernard & Lena Furlong, Mountgarrett	Anniversaries
Thurs 11th Nov	10.00am	Margaret O'Brien & deceased members of the Barry Family Pious 6	Anniversaries
Fri 12th Nov	10.00am	Ned & Eileen Larkin Decease Members of New Ross, Brandon & Viking Bridge Clubs	Anniversaries Remembrance
Sat 13th Nov	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for the souls of Tom Furlong, Adamstown, Seamus O'Cualain, Adamstown, John Sutton, Ballyrue & Mauldlins, Christy Doyle, New Zealand formerly Chapel Lane & Mary Dolan (nee Forristal) Bettystown, Co. Meath, formerly South Street, New Ross,

who passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We pray for the souls of Bernard, Lena & Frank Furlong, Noel McNulty (1st Anniversary), South Street, Tony Ahearn, Ard Mhicil, Robbie Walsh, South Street, Deceased members of the New Ross Active Retirement Group, Deceased Members of the New Ross Old Folks Club, Josephine Kielthy, Deerpark, James (Jimmy) Doyle, Nunnery Lane (13th Anniversary), Tom Bradley, Carol Walsh (nee Bradley) & George Leacy, Nunnery Lane,

Tom Sutton, Dublin & Denis McLoughlin, Haughton Place, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

BAPTISMS: Please contact the Parish Office to make a 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.

THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK

Mgr. Billy Oliver O'Neill was a Tipperary born priest of the diocese of Savannah in the US who was known to many here in Ferns. He died last week, aged 79. We feature an interview with him during one of his last visits home. The Homily for the Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time reflects on the example of the woman who was praised by Jesus for giving everything she had. We have the usual newsletter insert and a reflection on grief in this month of November. Courtesy of the Irish Catholic, we have a video on Climate Change and what faith communities can do and are doing. We have a feature on St Leo the Great whose feast day falls this week and share more light in the November darkness with reflections by Lorcan Brennan. Check out these and other resources available at www.thehookoffaith.com

DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY & PARISH INFORMATION.....

Saturday 4th December: Parish Ministries Mass @ 6.00pm.

Wednesday 8th December: Holy Day Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Parish Office Closed) Masses Tue 2nd December @ 6.00pm Vigil and Wed 8th December @ 10.00am & 1.05pm.

Christmas Holidays: Parish Office will be closing Thursday 23rd December 2021 @ 2.00pm and will re open, Tuesday 4th January 2022 @ 10.30am

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: We are currently taking mass bookings up to and including April 2022.

Next Weeks Readings: THIRTY- THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Dn 12:1 -3. Ps 15:5, 8-11, R/ v 1. Heb 10:11-14, 18. Mk 13:24-32.

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 gueries 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: Collections 30th & 31st Oct 2021 @ € 2,624.25 (189 No. Envelopes). Alternatively you can donate via. The Ferns Diocesan Website (www.ferns.ie) by clicking the big pink button. 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.

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.

Write a Name..... Light a Candle.....

Sav a Prayer.....



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.









Resurrection is Now Dom Aelred Watkin Prologue II

It is this sense of something 'other' that must lead us on to the thought of the barrier that has to be crossed before 'this mortal life has put on immortality'. Death may be a beginning, but we feel that it is also an end. And this we feel in a thousand ways: a loved voice has forever been silenced, vivid experiences leave behind them but wraiths in the form of imperfectly evoked memories, and hopeful strivings and ecstatic fulfilments are so guickly lost. We seem to be elsewhere before we are here, to be otherwise before we are thus, forever to be losing today to vesterday. Death is in us, about us and around us. We live in a world of dead leaves, of the flotsam of long-ebbed tides, of fading footprints upon roads where we may no longer pass and of echoes dying on a wind that scatters ashes.

Any consideration of death, therefore, must involve a consideration of these two great cross-currents of human experience: on the one hand, that all is passing and we with it; on the other, that we are part of a dynamic and creative force which is independent of and triumphs over destruction and decay. These cross-currents appear to be so opposed, so much in conflict with each other, that hope and despair, creation and destruction, seem irreconcilable forces which impel us in this way or in that in frustrating alternation. We cannot relinguish our hold upon creative hope, for, however much we may proclaim our cynical realism, we are unable totally to abandon it; yet, at the same time, we cannot but be piercingly aware of death and decay, however much we proclaim our confidence in the value of our plans for ourselves or for the human race. A facile optimism cannot do more than temporarily conceal the one from us, while abandonment to despair can never fully destroy the possibility of the other.

In the midst of life', then, 'we are in death.' If there is one certain event in human life, death is it. We know that we shall die. We may attempt to forget it, we may even deliberately ignore it, we may revolt violently against it, but death is inescapable. As we have said, death is the great sign of contradiction. It signifies inevitable, daunting and certain destruction or ultimate triumph and lasting glory. That life is no mere existential phenomenon, episode no mere empty transience, love no mere passing affinity, that there exists, beyond and through all the changes and vicissitudes of living, an eternal life beating at the heart of things, and that death is but the rending of the veil that hides Immortality from human eyes – such is the certainty of Christian faith, the assurance of Christian hope and the very substance of Christian love. That love is stronger than death, that hope transcends separation and that faith is the key to fact are of the very essence and meaning of Christianity. The gift of God to man is the present and permanent possession of that for which he yearns. As St. Paul tells us: 'faith is the substance of those things for which we hope.'

Let us, then, face boldly and courageously the certain fact of death, let us see what is the worst that death can do to us and to others and then let us see that, for the Christian, death is not an end, but a beginning. Let us examine how and in what way we can prepare ourselves to pass through that gateway into the unknown. Let us see that the resurrection for which we long is already as much a part of our lives as the death which leads to it.