

Day of Prayer for Temperance

What do we have to show for all the love God has shown us?  
Are our words full of bitterness or sweetness?



*"A good man draws what is good..."*



**HOW SHOULD I PRAY?** How do I know if I'm praying right? There are many ways of prayer, like the Rosary, stations, mass, and meditation.

We 'judge' our prayer on what is our life like? Is prayer helping me be a good person? Is it producing 'good fruit' as Jesus hints today? Am I increasing the store of goodness in my heart?

How do we nourish the source of goodness? We meet with people who build us up. We pray from the heart. Not just rote prayers but letting myself be myself with Jesus and God. We can enjoy art, music, and good conversation.

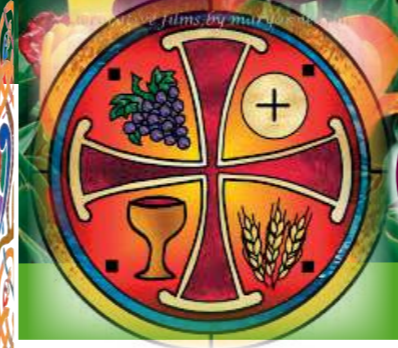
Ask what event yesterday might have nourished goodness in the heart? Did you play with a child or grandchild? Did you feel it did someone good to meet you? Have a good laugh with someone, or a good cry? Did you look after your body with nourishing food? Did you care for the earth and give thanks for creation? The grace of God nourishing our goodness comes in many and varied ways.

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

### Jesus' Story



Jesus was always a team player. don't we love to be included when the team is picked for a game of soccer or hurling, even if it's only for a friendly match. When we are picking the team we will remember to pick those who may not be the best players as it makes for a much happier team.



### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.**

### GREETING

In the name of the Father ..... **Amen.**  
The Lord be with you.  
And with your spirit.

### PENITENTIAL ACT

**I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

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

### 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

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, that the course of our world may be directed by your peaceful rule and that your Church may rejoice, untroubled in her devotion. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,.....

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING *Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7*

**A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus**  
In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind, so too the defects of a man appear in his talk. The kiln tests the work of the potter, the test of a man is in his conversation. The orchard where the tree grows is

judged on the quality of its fruit, similarly a man's words betray what he feels.  
Do not praise a man before he has spoken, since this is the test of men.

**The word of the Lord.**  
**Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Ps. 91:2-3.13-16**

**R. It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.**

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. **(R)**
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **(R)**
3. Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **(R)**

### SECOND READING

**1 Corinthians 15:54-58**

**A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians.**

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

**The word of the Lord.**  
**Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**You will shine in the world like bright stars because you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia !**

### GOSPEL *Luke 6:39-45*

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.**

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out

the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

**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.**



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Radio Mass 104.7Fm Mass & LIVE STREAM ON PARISH WEBSITE.  
All 8.00am Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel

Date	Time		
Sat 26th Feb	5.00pm		
	6.00pm	Thomas Kirby, Upper William Street	1st Anniversary
Sun 27th Feb	8.00am	Jim Somers, Wexford Town	Recently Deceased
	9.00am	Eileen & Ned Larkin	Anniversaries
<i>Live on Southeast Radio</i>	10.00am	Ernie Bailey, Arnestown	1st Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Fergal May, Henry Street Sheila Bouchier (nee Galvin), Mountgarrett	Months Mind Months Mind
Mon 28th Feb	8.00am	Sr Philomena, Loughrea, Galway	Anniversary
	10.00am	Margaret (Moggie) Rawsom, Ard na Greine	Anniversary
Tues 1st March	8.00am	Hannagh Boyle, Donegal	Anniversary
	10.00am	Pat & Mary Furlong, Stephen's Land & Red House	Anniversaries
	10.00am 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 2nd March <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	8.00am	People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Molly & Jim Reeves, Mount Carmel	Anniversaries
	6.00pm	Service of the Word	

Blessed Ashes will be available for collection throughout the day, **one packet per household**

Thurs 3rd March	8.00am	Joan Kinsella & Rita Rose Bailey Knockmullen	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Michael, Madeline & Pat Roche & Family, Chapel Lane	Anniversaries
Fri 4th March	8.00am	Rena Mc Manus, Lower Southknock & May Lanigan, Bewley Street	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Michael & Margaret Murphy, Micheal Street & Garry Breen, Glenmore	Anniversaries
Sat 5th March	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for the souls of Fr Jim Curtis, Rathjarney, Piercestown, Sheila Smith (nee Burns), Carrickatober, Crosskeys, Cavan, Colleen O'Hara, Brighton, UK, Paddy Barron, late of Convert Hill & Bessie Nichols (nee Druhan) late of William Street & UK, who has passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:** We remember & pray for the souls of Mary & Billy Knight, Charleton Hill & Billy Rochford (30th Anniversary) The Bullawn, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

**BAPTISMS:** We welcome into our Christian Community Aobhinn Martina Brazil, Begerin Loftus, Ballinaboola, who was baptised recently in our church. Maximum of two candidates will be baptised. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to book your child's baptism. Copy of Birth Certificate is required for the candidate. Photo ID is 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.

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

**Our Lady's (Left):**  
Available

**Altar (Centre):**  
Available

**St. Joseph's (Right)**  
Available

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

## SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

As a result of consultations concerning the Saturday evening Vigil Mass the overwhelming majority of respondents favour celebrating the Vigil Mass at 5.00pm.

Therefore from Saturday 5th March we will be celebrating the Vigil Mass @ 5.00pm including Holy Days.



Blessed Ashes will be available in plastic pouches in the church throughout the day. Each bag will contain enough for a family. Please take one pouch per household. To dampen just add a little water.  
**Service of the Word @ 6.00pm.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY & PARISH INFORMATION.

**Wednesday 2nd March 2022:** Ash Wednesday. Blessed Ashes will be available for collection throughout the day, **one packet** per household. Service of the Word @ 6.00pm

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday during Lent @ 7.30pm.

**Thursday 10th March:** Lenten Meditations Commence @ 7.00pm, St. Michaels Pastoral Centre. All Welcome

**Thursday 17th March:** St Patrick's Day. Masses Celebrated Wednesday 16th March Vigil Mass @ 5.00pm. Thursday 17th March 8.00am, 9.00am, 10.00am & 12.00 noon. Parish Office closed 17th & 18th March.

**Sunday 20th March:** Remembrance Day/ Pandemic Victims.

**Monday 21st March:** Synod Meeting @ 7.30pm In the Brandon House Hotel. Open to the public, all welcome.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Every Tuesday from 10.00am Mass to 8.00pm.

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

**Radio & Live Stream Mass:** 104.7FM & New Ross Parish Website Live Stream, for all Masses including Funerals Masses except 8.00am in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.

**Mass Bookings:** We will be taking mass bookings up to and including August 2022 from Tuesday 1st March.

**Next Weeks Readings: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
Deut 26:4-10. Ps 90: 1-2, 10-15, R/ v 15. Rm 10:8-13. Lk 4:1-13

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

**Meals on Wheels:** Avail of our high quality meals available five 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:** If you need support please ring 087 3846577.

**Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish:** Collections 13th February 2022 @ € 1,166.20 (No 158). Collections 20th February 2022 @ € 1,130.85 (No 143) 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.**

**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.

**Certificate Requests:** Request forms are available from the Parish Office. Certificate fees at €5.00 each. Photographic ID is required for the candidate including Photographic ID for the person who has been authorised by you to collect it. Collection on Fridays only.

**PRIEST ON DUTY (051) 421214:** Visitation of Sick / Housebound (First Friday Calls) We are anxious to visit those who cannot celebrate Mass with us due to illness, aged or infirm. Arrangements can be made to receive the sacraments at home by calling the Parish Office.

**Lectio Divina:** Every Wednesday morning at 10.45am for one hour in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre.

**Legion of Mary:** Meetings every Thursday afternoon @ 12.00 noon in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre. Contact: Alex Doyle, Tel: 087 273 8703.

**Home Visitation Team (Suspended for the Interim):** Tel 083 474 5789 to avail of this service or to volunteer.



## Praying with the Word of God

Speaking of the Eucharistic Celebration the Second Vatican Council emphasises the presence of the Lord in : The People gathered, the Word of God, the person of the Priest and the Bread of Life..

The Diocese is planning to run a pilot programme to bring attention to the importance of the Word of God.

If you are interested a 12 week programme (one hour a week) is envisaged to help people grow in their personal prayer, starting this Lent. This is not a Bible study. It will be a prayer experience. It is hoped in time, some of these people will put themselves forward to lead Guided Prayer using Scripture or maybe even a Service of the Word in their local Church. This is not a prerequisite for attending the course.

If you would like to know more contact Parish Office.

## The Bereavement Support Group

Due to the lifting of Covid-19 restrictions The Bereavement Support Group has now resumed it's services.

We will hold a Drop-In Service on the first Thursday of every month, beginning on Thursday 3rd March at 11.00am in St Michael's Pastoral Centre, Michael St. New Ross.

Our confidential telephone number is 087 3846577, please call us if you need support.

## Anam Cara

Waterford is launching a monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on **Tuesday 8th March at 7:20pm in the Woodlands Hotel, Waterford.**

This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. Please contact us on [info@anamcara.ie](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or 085 2888 888 for any queries.



## FROM THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL COUNCIL

As 'the People of God' we each play our part in shaping the future of the Church. The Synodal journey that we begin invites us to look at our own sense of faith and that of others.

A question we can ask is. 'What does it mean to follow the way of Christ in our everyday lives?'

Our weekly messages serve as a guide along the Synodal path.

**Synod Meeting Monday 21st March 2022 @ 7.30pm**

**In the Brandon House Hotel, New Ross, Open to the Public, All Welcome.**



Lenten Meditations will be held in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre Y34 N799 on Thursdays @ 7.00pm on following dates:

- 10th March
- 24th March
- 31st March
- 7th April

Sr Annette Dilworth will be the facilitator.

All are welcome to attend these worthwhile sessions of Lenten devotions and preparation for Easter, All Welcome.



## New Ross Singers

A small sign of some sort of normality returning – New Ross Singers will commence rehearsals on **Monday 7th March @ 8 pm in St Mary's Secondary School.** Covid-19 advice will apply. New members are very welcome. Please contact 051 421766 if you are interested.



The New Ross Active Retirement will hold their general meeting on Friday the 4th March at the Youth Centre, Nunnery Lane @ 10.30. am

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.