



**Jesus knows the sinfulness and doubt of his friends and gives to them after the resurrection his own forgiveness and certainty of his presence.**



They were talking about how late Easter is this year. 'Couldn't be much later', said one. 'At least the evenings are brighter', said another. 'We won't have the Easter fire in the dark', another added.

You'd wonder what it's all about – empty tombs and weeping women and despairing friends. I wondered too.

It's about hope that never fades, that the most lifeless thing in creation is not dead. That means that there's life everywhere. In failures, in shame and guilt, in illness. The life may lead to good health or to peace of mind and heart. It's about God in Jesus taking care of everyone I worry about; And worries about children and grandchildren and even the great-grandchildren. Something that keeps me praying for people whose lives are really troubled. It's about prayer that's always answered and the God that forgives us all, and helps us forgive each other. And much more besides which will unify us in the weeks to come. Easter began with creation in a garden and the garden has been replanted as a place for refreshment and peace.

Yes, couldn't be much later and when you think of it, isn't it worth waiting for?  
*Risen Lord, bring your peace and joy to the lives of everyone dear to me.*

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

**Jesus' Story** Liam Hickey



Jesus said to Thomas "Here are my hands. God's hand made the world and we are his special work of art. The Spirit of God in our hands makes a wonderful world, with all kinds of inventions. Our hands give hugs, play music, play games. We hold hands, clap hands, shake hands. We praise God, when we care and share with our hands.



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

**GREETING**

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

**PENITENTIAL ACT**

Lord Jesus, you raise us to new life: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
Lord Jesus, you forgive us our sins: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
Lord Jesus, you feed us with your body and blood: 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 everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**FIRST READING** Acts 5:12-16

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented

by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 117:2-4, 22-27

**R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. or Alleluia!**

- Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'  
Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.'  
Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **[R]**
- The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **[R]**
- O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord, grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. **[R]**

**SECOND READING** Apocalypse 1:9-13, 17-19.

**A reading from the book of the Apocalypse**

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle.

When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
**Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'** Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** John 20:19-31

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.**

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be

with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again,

'Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

**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

**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**

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the oblations of your people (and of those you have brought to new birth), that, renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism, they may attain unending happiness. Through Christ our Lord.

**AFTER THE CONSECRATION**

*The mystery of faith.*  
**When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.**

**THE SIGN OF PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And with your spirit.**

**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**

**Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**






Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our reception of this paschal Sacrament may have a continuing effect in our minds and hearts. 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, alleluia, alleluia. **Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.**  
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# New Ross Parish, Church of St. Mary & St. Michael

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Date	Time		
Sat 23rd April	5.00pm	Catherine Carroll (nee Waters), Late of Rosbercon & Borris-In-Ossary, Co. Laois	1st Anniversary
Sun 24th April	8.00am	Special Intention	Intentions
	9.00am	Ger O'Connor, Barrett's Park	Anniversary
	10.00am	Peg & Tommy O'Brien, Ard Mhicil	Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Ann McMahan, Michael Street	Months Mind
	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions	
Mon 25th April	8.00am	Special Intention	Intentions
	10.00am	Peter & Annaleen Connolly, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan	Anniversaries
Tues 26th April	8.00am	Michael Hunt, Pondfields	11th Anniversary
	10.00am	Kathleen Delaney, Bawnmore	Anniversary
	10.00am — 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 27th April	8.00am	People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Alan Murphy, Bosheen & Kevin Manley, Abbey View	6th & 4th Anniversaries
Thurs 28th April	8.00am	Special Intentions	Intentions
	10.00am	Thomas & Bridget Power, John, Maryann Timothy & Nancy Doran & Patrick Neville	Anniversaries
	3.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Fri 29th April	8.00am	Special Intentions	Intentions
	10.00am	Jimmy Caulfield, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
Sat 30th April	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for the souls of Miceal Kavanagh, Mountgarrett, Tom Flynn, Ballylane East & Kathleen (Kitty) Power, Shanbough, Rosbercon who has passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:** We remember & pray for the souls of Bob & Bridget Hartley, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

**WEDDINGS:** Congratulations to the couple, Alice Connors & John Connors from Willow Park New Ross & Mile House Enniscorthy, who were married recently in our Parish Church.

**BAPTISMS:** Maximum of two candidates per Baptism. 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.

### New Ross Singers:

Will perform Schubert's "Little Mass" for Deceased Members, Relatives & Friends Remembrance on Sunday 1st of May 2022 @ 12.00 Noon Mass



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

**Our Lady's (Left):** Miceal Kavanagh, RIP

**Altar (Centre):** Special Intentions

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

### DATES FOR YOUR DAIRY

**Divine Mercy Sunday 24th April 2022:** Devotions @ 3.00pm.

**Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May 2022:** Parish Office closed.

**Wednesday 4th May 2022 @ 7.00pm:** Ms. O'Byrne Class Confirmation meeting with Parents & Pupils in Parish Church.

**Thursday 5th May 2022 @ 7.00pm:** Mr. Murphy Class Confirmation meeting with Parents & Pupils in Parish Church.

**Saturday 7th May:** Confirmations—Ms. O'Byrne Class @ 11.00am & Mr. Murphy Class @ 12.30pm

**Wednesday 11th May 2022 @ 7.00pm:** Ms. Cooney Class Confirmation meeting with Parents & Pupils in Parish Church.

**Thursday 13th May 2022 @ 7.00pm:** Ms. Kavanagh Class Confirmation meeting with Parents & Pupils in Parish Church.

**Saturday 14th May:** Confirmation—Ms. Cooney Class @ 11.00am & Mr. Kavanagh Class @ 12.30pm

**Saturday 21st May 2022:** Communion—Ms. O'Connor Class @ 11.00am & Ms. Mears Class @ 12.30pm

**Saturday 28th May 2022:** Communion—Ms. Fitzpatrick Class @ 11.00am

**Monday 6th June 2022:** Bank Holiday Parish Office Closed.

**Saturday 11th June 2022 @ 11.00am:** Educate Together National School Communion & Confirmations.

**Thursday 16th June 2022:** Corpus Christi

**Mon 20th June to Fri 24th June 2022:** Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Application forms available in Parish Office.

**Friday 24th of June 2022 @ 7.00pm:** Patron in St. Marys Cemetery.

**Sunday 26th of June 2022:** Patron in Mount Carmel Cemetery after 8.00am Mass. Patron in Priests Graveyard, Parish Church Grounds after 12.00 Noon Mass. Patron in St. Stephens Cemetery @ 3.00pm



### PARISH INFORMATION.



**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 are currently taking mass bookings up to and including September 2022.

**Next Weeks Readings:** THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 5: 27-31, 40-41. Ps 29: 2, 4-6, 11-13, R/ v 2. Apoc 5: 11-14. Jn 21: 1-9.

**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, Sr. 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. Drop in Centre in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre on the first Thursday of every month.

**Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish:** Collections 10th April 2022 @ € 2, 46.00 — Envelope No. 190) 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.

**Radio Maria Ireland:** Radio Maria Ireland is an Irish run Catholic Talk-Radio Station. Prayer, Catechesis, uplifting music, Talks, Interviews and Testimonies—all Commercial free—Listen via Free App "RADIO MARIA IRELAND", streaming on www.radiomaria.ie or via. PHONE – get live radio feed by calling +353 (0) 1 437 3277 (no extra charges apply). Please join our growing faith Family!

**Irish Catholic Newspaper:** Available in the Parish Office @ € 2.50 each



### Confirmation 2022

	Ms. O'Byrne Class	Mr. Murphy Class	Ms. Cooney Class	Ms. Kavanagh Class
Preparation Meeting Parish Church	Wednesday 4th May	Thursday 5th May	Wednesday 11th May	Thursday 12th May
Meeting Time	7.00pm			
Confirmation Date	Saturday 7th May		Saturday 14th May	
Confirmation Time	11.00am	12.30pm	11.00am	12.30pm



### First Holy Communion 2022

	Confession @ 7.00pm in The Parish Church	First Communion Mass Saturday
	Date	Date
Ms. Fitzpatrick Class	Monday 4th April	28th May @ 11.00am
Ms. Mears Class	Wednesday 6th April	21st May @ 12.30pm
Ms. O'Connor Class	Thursday 7th April	21st May @ 11.00am

### Educate Together National School First Communion & Confirmation



@ 11.00am

Saturday 11th June 2022.



### New Ross Parish Ukraine Appeal Collection:

€ 11,249.00



## A Spirituality for our Times

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Jane Mellett is co-author of "The Deep End" a publication reflecting on the Sunday Gospels. She is a yoga and meditation teacher and spiritual director. Jane is the Laudato Si' Officer with Trócaire



During this day Jane will explore various avenues to an integrated wholistic spirituality. There will be a mix of input and time for reflective practice.

Venues:	Ballyvaloo Retreat & Conference Centre Blackwater Co. Wexford	or	St. Patricks Parish Centre Loughboy Kilkenny
Dates:	13th May 2022		14th May 2022
Times:	10.00 am to 4.30 pm		10.00 am to 4.00 pm
Cost:	€30 (includes lunch) Pay on the door		€10 (bring your own lunch, tea/coffee provided) Pay on the door

Please book before 6th May by contacting: Sara or Catherine @ 056 7722870 - 9.00 am - 5.00 pm or email: regionaloffice@ssjg.ie Booking Essential



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