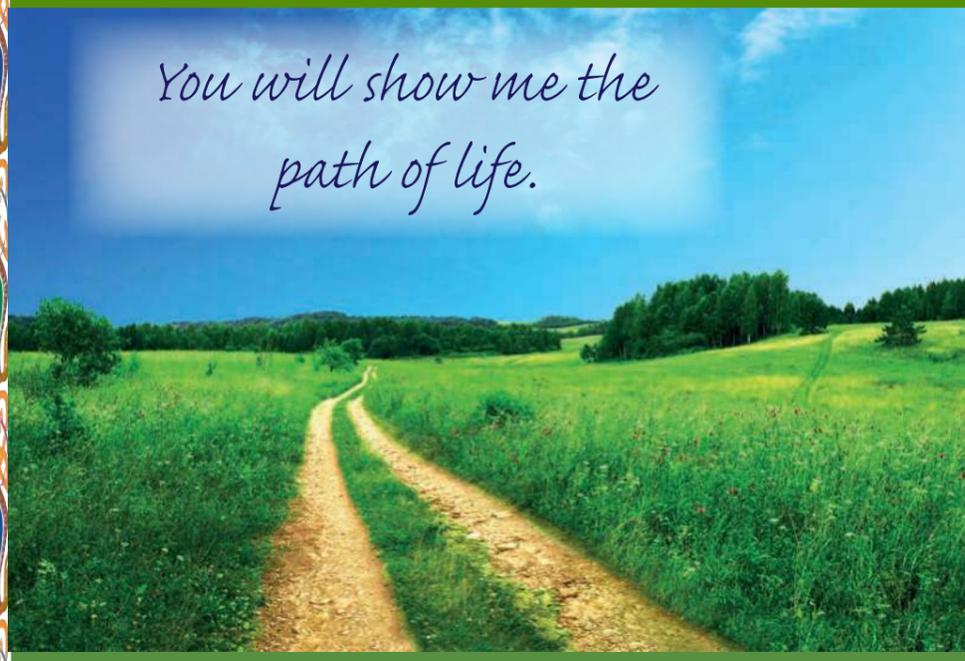




Following Christ is a whole hearted service, a call to leave many of the things we hold dear. He is the center; all else is secondary.



*You will show me the path of life.*



In today's gospel we are told that Jesus "resolutely took the road to Jerusalem." It took real courage to go and face what he knew awaited him in Jerusalem. Luke had earlier in the gospel shown us Jesus struggling with his demons in the desert. Christianity today is no longer something we absorb

from society around us. It is a personal choice, a resolute decision: do I believe in God, in Jesus, in the Gospel? Faith doesn't come with a silver spoon. For some people, faith is the outcome of a moment of truth when they can no longer live without moral convictions.

On his way to Jerusalem a would-be disciple expresses a desire to follow Jesus. One wonders about such people in our society today. Some are curious to know more about Jesus and the gospel he preached, but seem to lack the self-confidence to talk to someone in the know or respond to the invitation to a parish information evening. "I'd like to follow you, but...." Jesus makes it clear that the kingdom of God marches to a drumbeat that's not recognised by this world. Personal conversion to Jesus opens one's eyes to a different world and doesn't easily allow one return to what was before. "Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom." Sounds harsh, doesn't it. But who can serve two masters?

In yesterday's church, the church of the fifties and sixties, many were drawn to serve God as priests and consecrated religious. That vocation has fallen on hard times today. But Jesus still attracts people, and there are still those who toy with the prospect of conversion to Christ. We need to give them our time and patience as well as our understanding of life and the Gospel. The three who encountered Jesus in the gospel challenge us to listen to where our own lives are going.

Fr. Joe Walsh

### Jesus Story

Liam Hickey

On Baptism day there is a short journey made from The Open Door of the Church, to The Baptism Font at the Altar. This is to remind us of God's Love journey for us, from Heaven to earth, and back to the joy of Heaven. There are people with us all the time on our earth journey. Jesus shows us what to do on our journey. We need to be kind and help our neighbour, and follow Jesus' way.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who graciously accomplishes the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be worthy of these sacred gifts. 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

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.**

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever.  
 Through Christ our Lord.

#### CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you.  
 And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you in his kindness and pour out saving wisdom upon you. **Amen**

And 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, glorifying the Lord by your life.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 15:1-2.5.7-11

**R. O Lord, it is you who are my portion.**

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.' O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; it is you yourself who are my prize. **(R)**
2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, who even at night directs my heart. I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **(R)**
3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; even my body shall rest in safety. For you will not leave my soul among the dead, nor let your beloved know decay. **(R)**
4. You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, at your right hand happiness for ever. **(R)**

#### SECOND READING Galatians 5:1. 13 - 18

**A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Galatians.**

When Christ freed us, he meant us to remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.

My brothers, you were called, as you know, to liberty; but be careful, or this liberty will provide an opening for self-indulgence. Serve one another, rather, in works of love, since the whole of the Law is summarised in a single command: Love your neighbour as yourself. If you go snapping at each other and tearing each other to pieces, you had better watch or you will destroy the whole community.

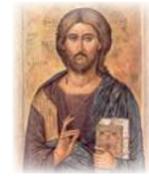
Let me put it like this: if you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions.

If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

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

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**



#### GOSPEL Luke 9:51 - 62

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

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they

went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, 'Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?' But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village. As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, 'I will follow you wherever you go.' Jesus answered, 'Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.' Another to whom he said, 'Follow me,' replied, 'Let me go and bury my father first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.' Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.' Jesus said to him, 'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.'

**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.**

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!**

#### GREETING

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

#### PENITENTIAL ACT

You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: 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

O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING 1 Kings 19:16. 19 - 21

**A reading from the first book of Kings.**  
 The Lord said to Elijah: 'Go, you are to anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'

Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha son of Shaphat as he was ploughing behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself being with the twelfth. Elijah passed near to him and threw his cloak over him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and mother, then I will follow you' he said. Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have I done anything to you?' Elisha turned away, took the pair of oxen and slaughtered them. He used the plough for cooking the oxen, then gave to his men, who ate. He then rose, and followed Elijah and became his servant.

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

# New Ross Parish, Church of St. Mary & St. Michael

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Date	Time		
Sat 25th June	5.00pm	Johnny O'Leary, Nunnery Lane	1st Anniversary
Sun 26th June	8.00am	Mrs. Brennan, Irishtown	Anniversary
	8.00am	Patron in Mount Carmel Cemetery after 8.00am Mass.	
	9.00am	Thomas, Elizabeth & deceased members of Mernagh family, Ard Na Greine	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Eileen French, "St. Raphaels", Henry Street	Anniversary
	12.00 Noon		Month Minds
	12.00 Noon	Patron in Priests' Graveyard, Parish Church Grounds after 12.00 Noon Mass.	
	1.45pm	Closing Ceremony World meeting of Families 2022 in Rome live steam on	
	3.00pm	Patron in St. Stephens Cemetery	
Mon 27th June	8.00am	Healing	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Edward & Mary Joyce, Marley	Anniversaries
Tues 28th June	8.00am	Eileen & Ned Larkin	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Adam & Angie Fenlon, Chambersland & Millbanks	Anniversaries
	10.00am—8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 29th June	8.00am	People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Aaron Lennane, Salisbury, UK & Irishtown	Anniversary
Thurs 30th June	8.00am	The Deceased Members of the Larkin, Foley, Doyle & Furlong families	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Anastasia & James Malone, Mullinakil, Tullogher	Anniversaries
	3.00pm—4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Fri 1st July	8.00am	Carmelites Benefactors & Friends	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Mary, Martin Guy & deceased family members, Ard Na Greine	Anniversaries
Sat 2nd July	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	

## Canon Paddy O'Brien RIP

Last Sunday we gathered along with family & friends to mourn the passing of Fr. Paddy. It was fitting that we celebrated his funeral on the feast of Corpus Christi (The Body & Blood of Jesus). Over his 64 years of priesthood Fr. Paddy celebrated the Eucharist and shared the Bread of life with many people.

When he retired here to New Ross in 2012, he became a regular concelebrant at the 10am daily Mass. His dedication to the priesthood was plain for all to see. Despite various health scares and set backs Fr. Paddy never gave in, but with quiet determination and a positive outlook continued to help and assist us here in the Parish. For this we say thank you Fr. Paddy. May Fr. Paddy now hear the words of our Lord and Saviour "Well done good and faithful servant come and share in your masters happiness" Mt. 25:23. May he rest in peace. Amen.



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

**Our Lady's (Left):  
Special Intentions**

**Altar (Centre):  
Special Intentions**

**Joseph's (Right):  
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**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for the souls of Fr Paddy O'Brien, Chambersland, Jimmy Connors, Bunclody, formerly New Ross, Brendan O'Keeffe, formerly Five Counties Hotel, New Ross, Bantry, Co. Cork & Canada, Margaret Cummins (nee Wall), Cluain Huighead, Margaret (Peggy) Connick (nee Ryan), Dowsleys Barn & Kilkenny & Gerry Larkin, Bewley Street formerly Co. Mayo, who has passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:** We remember & pray for the souls Kate & Laurence Murphy, Mary Street, Eileen Mulcahy (10th Anniversary), Limerick, Nora Barrett, Co. Cork & London UK, Mary Ryan, Charleton Hill, Molly Doyle (1st Anniversary), St. Joseph's Square & Nellie Freaney, Haughton Place, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

**BAPTISMS:** Maximum of two candidates per Baptism. Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to book your child's baptism. Minimum two weeks notice required. 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.**

**The New Ross Active Retirement** will hold their general meeting on Friday July 1st at 10.30 am in the St. Marys Youth centre Nunnery Lane, New Ross

## 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:** From Friday 1st July 2022 we will be taking Mass Bookings up to and including December 2022.

**Next Weeks Readings: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** Is 66:10-14. Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20, R/ v 1. Gal 6:14-18. Lk 10:1-12, 17-20.

**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 19th June 2022 @ € 1,414.00 (Envelope No. 165) 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



## 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. Amen'

Ferns Diocesan Director of Vocations — Fr. Billy Swan, The Presbytery, School Street Wexford.

## Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock International Marian Shrine

July 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2022

Coaches from Ferns Diocese

South - West Wexford

Pick up points: Wellingtonbridge 6am, Ramsgrange, Campile, 6.30am. New Ross, 6.45am

Cost is 65 Euros, including two meals in Athlone Springs Hotel.

Contact details; Nicholas Bowe, 087 9418661



## D A T E S FOR YOUR DIARY

**Sunday 3rd July 2022:** Ferns Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock International Marian Shrine.

**Sunday 24th July 2022:** Grandparents Day

**Monday 1st August 2022:** Bank Holiday, Parish Office Closed.

**Monday 15th August 2022:** Holy Day Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. No Vigil Mass on Sunday 14th August. Masses on 15th of August @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel 10.00am & 1.05pm in Parish Church. Parish Office Closed.



## PATRON WEEKEND

**Patron 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.

**As the graves will not be blessed individually by the Priests, due to a shortage of personnel, we therefore request that people bring their own Holy Water on the day to bless their graves with us during the Ceremony.**

## Blessing of Graves

## Jesuit Week at Knock Shrine

24th – 31st July

We are delighted to announce that Jesuit Week is returning to Knock Shrine this year. Jesuit Week has been a part of the programme at Knock Shrine for the past number of years and is always a wonderful and inspiring week.

There will be three sessions taking place each day at the following times: 10.30am Knock Basilica, 4.30pm Knock Basilica & 8.30pm (Examen) in the Apparition Chapel

All are welcome to attend.



## Lough Derg Pilgrimage

Tue. 5th July - Thur. 7th July 2022

Bus leaving St. Peter's Square, Wexford at 6.30am

[via Enniscorthy (Abbey sq.), Ferns (Bus Stop),

Gorey (Hospital)].

Return to Wexford Thursday at 6.00 p.m.

Island Fee: €80.00

Bus: €60.00

Bookings:

Fr. P. Cushen, Ferns, 053-9366152

Mobile 087-2387559

Ferns Parish Office 053-9366514

Bookings taken and seat guaranteed with €50 non-refundable deposit.



## PRO LIFE RALLY

A bus has been arranged for people wishing to support the Pro Life Rally on Saturday, 2nd July in Dublin.

Cost Adults €10 Children free. Collection points: Clonard Church Wexford at 10.30, Enniscorthy at Burger Mac on The Quay 10.55, Ferns at bus stop 11.10, Gorey at Monument 11.30 & Arklow 11.50.

To book a seat ring John 086 2608454.