

focus on sunday

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

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

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....
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

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Amos 8: 4 - 7

A reading from the prophet Amos.
Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money and the needy for a

pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 112: 1 - 2. 4 - 8

R. Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord! May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore! **[R]**
2. High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory. Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down to look down upon heaven and earth? **[R]**
3. From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people. **[R]**

SECOND READING 1 Timothy 2:1-8

A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to Timothy
My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for everyone - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our Saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and - I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans. In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 16.1-13

(Shorter form in italics *16: 10 - 13*)
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.
Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward

any longer. " Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty." 'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light. 'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. **The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?**

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

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

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries.
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.....

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

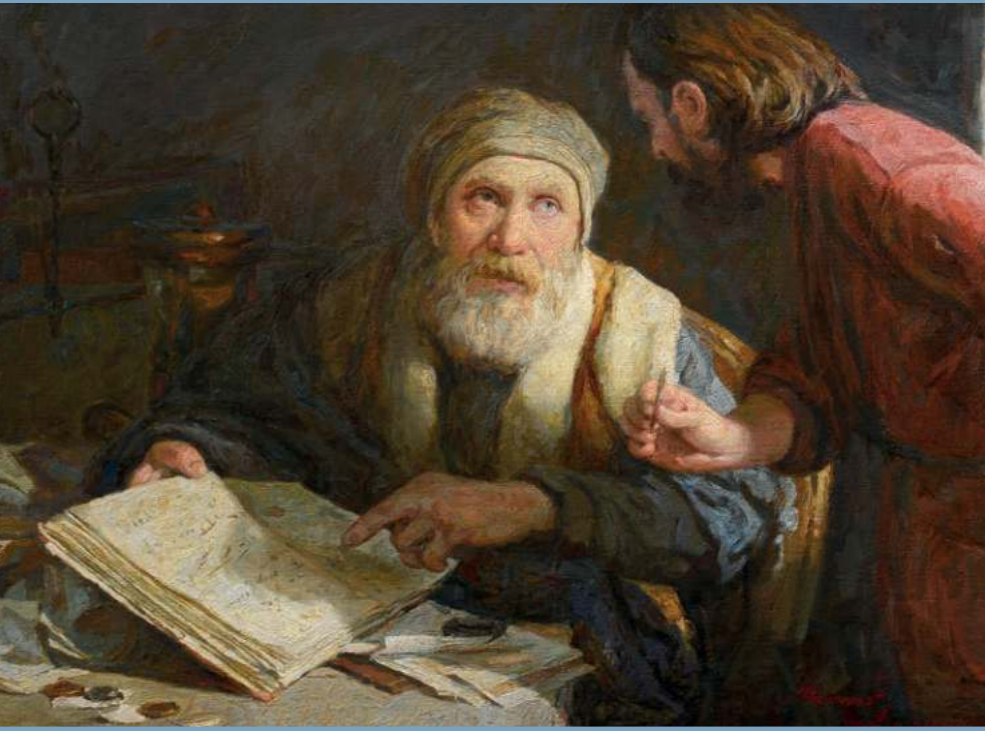
You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. Through Christ our Lord.



The prophet Amos reminds us of our duty not to exploit the poor and needy while in today's Gospel St. Luke tells us that we cannot serve both God and money. If we serve God, then, we will not forget today's victims of poverty.



If you think that all the parables of Jesus are pleasant stories about people of integrity, then today's gospel might make you think again. In this story, a manager has been given his notice by his CEO and decides, while he still can, to even up the tables for those who are struggling to pay their debts to the company. He uses the power he still has to change the future for these debtors – and for himself. The only value the money really has is in the way it is used. He is squandering money, but he is not squandering opportunities. During this Season of Creation, we are called to look at our lifestyles and to see how we are using the resources which have been gifted to us and which are on loan to us. Are we squandering them? Are we walking gently on the earth? Are we thinking of those who are on the front lines of climate change and biodiversity loss? The manager in the Gospel today is up to holy mischief, doing what he can to even up the tables for those who are struggling and changing the course of the future for the debtors. The environmental crises our world is now facing requires a similar response. Young people are crying out to us to safeguard their futures. While we share what we can with those who are suffering, we must also address the root causes of what is crushing them. May we respond to Pope Francis' call to listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor. May we live our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork and walk more gently on this earth.

Jane Mellett, co-author of *The Deep End – A Journey through the Sunday Gospels in the Year of Luke*, Messenger, 2021.

Jesus' Story Fr. Liam Hickey

Money is important for family and country, and a blessing. Jesus tells us that it is the wrong use of money that makes us selfish and unhappy, and can bring pain, hurt and sadness to the world. Young people who do charity walks and collect money to help others, make money a servant, not a master, and so taste happiness. May our hearts enliven our hands to be generous in giving and sharing.

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

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All 8.00am Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel



Date	Time		
Sat 17th Sept	5.00pm	Jimmy Callaghan, St. Aidan's, Irishtown	7th Anniversary
Sun 18th Sept	8.00am	Peggy Connick, New Ross	Recently Deceased
	9.00am	Maurice Doyle, Southknock	Birthday Remembrance
	10.00am	Helen Gannon & her Granddaughter Hannah Brennan, Nunnery Lane	Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon	Mary Phelan, "Papillion", Tinneranny, Rosbercon & late of The Quay Pat Laffan, Grange Road	Months Mind Months Mind
Mon 19th Sept	8.00am	Mary Bolger & deceased members of the Bolger Family, Ard Na Greine	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Pat & Rita Reidy, Limerick	Anniversaries
Tues 20th Sept	8.00am	Mary Phelan, "Papillion", Tinneranny, Rosbercon & late of The Quay	Recently Deceased
	10.00am	John Cullen & his Daughter Trish Porter (nee Cullen), Pondfields	2nd Anniversary & Anniversary
	10.00am— 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 21st Sept	8.00am	People of the Parish	
	10.00am	Henry Pressman, St. Mullins	1st Anniversary
Thurs 22nd Sept	8.00am	Sr. Frances Teresa Worthington, Mount Carmel Monastery, New Ross & Dublin	Months Mind
	10.00am	Kieran Foley, The Foley & Brennan deceased family members, New Ross & Castlecomer, Co. Kilkenny	Anniversaries
	3.00pm— 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour & Rosary in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Fri 23rd Sept	8.00am	Doners Intentions	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Biddy & Ned Roche, Glenpipe, Co. Kilkenny	Anniversaries
Sat 24th Sept	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for the souls of Marie Calton (nee Donoghue), Dublin & Waterford, Marian Elizabeth Duggan, Bewley Street & late of Charleton Hill & John O'hUllachain (O'Houllihan), New Ross & Clogheen, Tipperary, who has passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember & pray for the souls of Martin Hussey (2nd Anniversary), Mountelliott, Helena Brennan, Butlersland & Paddy & Annie Foley, South Street & Southknock, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

BAPTISMS: Additional Baptism dates have been added to our diary in order to accommodate recent uptake in enquires. 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.

Sanctuary Lamps Intentions:

Available @ €10.00 per week.
Commencing Saturday @ 10.00am.

Our Lady's (Left): Special Intention

Altar (Centre):
Colin Bradley RIP
Birthday Remembrance

Joseph's (Right):



A Vigil Mass will be celebrated in Mount Carmel Monastery on Friday the 30th of September @ 7.30pm honouring St. Therese. Blessing of the Roses will take place & the New Ross Singers will also be in attendance.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

We are seeking people to volunteer for the ministries' Readers, Eucharistic Ministers & Basket Collectors in our Parish Church at the weekends. If you are interested in applying please contact the parish office.

THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK

Siobhan O'Donoghue is a religion teacher from Wexford who is currently working with Veritas on Religious Education programmes for Secondary School pupils. We interview Siobhan as she shares the joys and challenges of teaching religion today with young people. We have a homily for the Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time where the prophet Amos is angry and for good reason. We have news of a Parish Mission coming up in the parish of Wexford and a focus on the Pope's intention for September which argues for the abolition of the death penalty. Finally, we have a CMT programme that highlights the great work of the late Fr Leo Staples. Check out these and other resources available at www.thehookoffaith.com

Our thanks to the Indian Community for their generous contribution to the Parish recently. Monsignor Joe & Fr. Tom

On Monday 26th, Tuesday 27th & Wednesday 28th of September 2022 there will be no Masses @ 8.00am & 10.00am due to our priests attending a Diocesan Gathering. A Prayer service with readings & distribution of Holy Communion will be held in place of Mass each morning @ 10.00am in the Parish Church only. There will be no 8.00am Masses in Mount Carmel on these days. Adoration will take place as usual on Tuesday.



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 Funeral Masses except 8.00am in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.

Mass Bookings: We are currently taking Mass Bookings up to and including February 2023.

Next Weeks Readings: TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Am 6:1, 4-7. Ps 145:6-10, R/ v 2. Tm 6: 11-16. Lk 16: 19-31.

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 @ 11.00am.

Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish: Collections 11th September 2022 @ € 1,256.85 (Envelopes No. 161) & 2nd Collection @ € 315.62. 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 Tuesday evening @ 7.30pm 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

Walk back in time....

St. Mary & St. Michael Parish Church New Ross 1902—2022

Celebrating 120 Years in September 2022

Stained Glass Windows

Lest we forget



Pray for the eternal repose of the soul of the Very Reverend Denis Cannon Kenny PP VF born 19th March 1815 Ordained Priest 9th June 1858 Died 5th September 1875 in the fifteenth year of his pastoral charge of this parish RIP



Pray for the soul of John Canon Kirwan PP VF New Ross who died on the Feast of St. Joseph 22nd April 1888 aged 66 years RIP

LEGION OF MARY

Men's Retreat, Saturday 1st October, 10 am -5 pm, Presentation Convent, Francis Street, Wexford Town Y35 P9CF.

"Lord let your face shine on me"

Psalms 119

Donation of €10 - includes refreshments (cold lunch). To book a place, please call John 086 2608454 or Melanie 087 4035674

Healing Earth

Adopting a care of the earth ethos, this day retreat will explore the natural world as a gift from God that nourishes our bodies and souls.

Facilitated by:
Dr Sean O'Leary & Fr Brendan Nolan PP

Ballyvaloo Retreat & Conference Centre
Saturday October 1st 2022
10.30am - 4.00pm, €40

053 9137160 - Booking Essential

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.