

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.**

GREETING

In the name of the FatherAmen.
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

May your people exult for ever, O God,
in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that,
rejoicing now in the restored glory of
our adoption, we may look forward in
confident hope to the rejoicing of the day
of resurrection.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 2:14.22-33

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.
On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up
with the Eleven and addressed the crowd
in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen
to what I am going to say: Jesus the
Nazarene was a man commended to you
by God by the miracles and portents and
signs that God worked through him when
he was among you, as you all know. This
man, who was put into your power by the
deliberate intention and foreknowledge
of God, you took and had crucified by
men outside the Law. You killed him, but
God raised him to life, freeing him from
the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible
for him to be held in its power since, as
David says of him:

"I saw the Lord before me always,
for with him at my right hand nothing
can shake me.

So my heart was glad and my tongue
cried out with joy:
my body, too, will rest in the hope
that you will not abandon my soul to
Hades
nor allow your holy one to experience
corruption.
You have made known the way of life
to me,
you will fill me with gladness through
your presence."

'Brothers, no one can deny that the
patriarch David himself is dead and
buried: his tomb is still with us. But since
he was a prophet, and knew that God had
sworn him an oath to make one of his
descendants succeed him on the throne,
what he foresaw and spoke about was
the resurrection of the Christ: he is the
one who was not abandoned to Hades,
and whose body did not experience
corruption. God raised this man Jesus to
life, and all of us are witnesses to that.
Now raised to the heights by God's right
hand, he has received from the Father
the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and
what you see and hear is the outpouring
of that Spirit.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 15:1-2.5.7-11

R. Show us, Lord, the path of life.

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 1 Peter 1: 17-21

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

If you are acknowledging as your Father
one who has no favourites and judges
everyone according to what he has done,
you must be scrupulously careful as long
as you are living away from your home.
Remember, the ransom that was paid to
free you from the useless way of life your
ancestors handed down was not paid in
anything corruptible, neither in silver nor
gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb
without spot or stain, namely Christ; who,
though known since before the world

was made, has been revealed only in our
time, the end of the ages, for your sake.
Through him you now have faith in God,
who raised him from the dead and gave
him glory for that very reason - so that
you would have faith and hope in God.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus,
explain the scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within
us as you talk to us. Alleluia!**



GOSPEL Luke 24: 13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were
on their way to a village called Emmaus,
seven miles from Jerusalem, and they
were talking together about all that had
happened. Now as they talked this over,
Jesus himself came up and walked by
their side; but something prevented them
from recognising him. He said to them,
'What matters are you discussing as you
walk along?' They stopped short, their
faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas
answered him, 'You must be the only
person staying in Jerusalem who does
not know the things that have been
happening there these last few days.'
'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus
of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved
he was a great prophet by the things
he said and did in the sight of God and
of the whole people; and how our chief
priests and our leaders handed him over
to be sentenced to death, and had him
crucified. Our own hope had been that
he would be the one to set Israel free.
And this is not all: two whole days have
gone by since it all happened; and some
women from our group have astounded
us: they went to the tomb in the early
morning, and when they did not find the
body, they came back to tell us they had
seen a vision of angels who declared he
was alive. Some of our friends went to the
tomb and found everything exactly as the
women had reported, but of him they saw
nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish
men! So slow to believe the full message
of the prophets! Was it not ordained that
the Christ should suffer and so enter into
his glory?' Then, starting with Moses
and going through all the prophets,
he explained to them the passages
throughout the scriptures that were about
himself.

When they drew near to the village to
which they were going, he made as if to
go on; but they pressed him to stay with
them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and
the day is almost over.' So he went in to
stay with them. Now while he was with
them at table, he took the bread and said
the blessing; then he broke it and handed
it to them. And their eyes were opened
and they recognised him; but he had
vanished from their sight. Then they said
to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn
within us as he talked to us on the road



focus on sunday

Jesus assures his disciples that he is risen from the dead and sends them to preach the gospel in his name. He assures us of this too, and we are sent to be his people in our family, among our friends, in all parts of the world.



and explained the scriptures to us?'
They set out that instant and returned
to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven
assembled together with their companions,
who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord
has risen and has appeared to Simon.'
Then they told their story of what had
happened on the road and how they had
recognised him at the breaking of bread.

**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

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive, O Lord, we pray, these offerings
of your exultant Church, and, as you have
given her cause for such great gladness,
grant also that the gifts we bring may bear
fruit in perpetual happiness.
Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your
Cross and Resurrection you have set us
free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look with kindness upon your people,
O Lord, and grant, we pray, that those you
were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries
may attain in their flesh the incorruptible
glory of the resurrection. Through Christ
our Lord.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. **And with your spirit.**
Go in peace, **Thanks be to God.**



We sometimes hear the phrase, 'walking the walk'. It means that we share, with compassion, another's life, just as Jesus walked the walk with the disciples going to Emmaus. It means entering into the lives of others. We often have a really good chat on a walk.

Jesus entered the apostles' lives by listening, hearing their disappointment that he had been crucified and that their hopes were shattered. His was active listening. He was able then to connect with them as he told them about himself. The time probably passed very quickly. It is apt in this year when we are preparing for a Synod that we should reflect upon the fact that Jesus makes himself known first by listening and then by speaking.

Whatever way he spoke, he lifted their spirits as they said later, 'our hearts burned within us as he spoke'. Prayer, at times, can be like that.

Our faith life is walking with Jesus as we share everything of our lives with him and hear his words of acceptance. We walk with the gospel words in our minds and our gospel book in our hands. But it doesn't end just with a walk.

Like a good walk often ends with refreshment, the Emmaus walk ended with the meal. At that meal the two disciples recognised him. Our talking and walking with the Lord is a journey to the Eucharist. There, without words, he offers bread and wine, his body and blood.

Like the two disciples - we are encouraged then to share his gospel, his risen life, as we bring what we have received to our world. Our walk ends with the invitation to walk further - 'Go and glorify the Lord with your life.

Lord may our hearts burn with your words, and our souls be refreshed with your Bread of life.


Donal Neary SJ (Editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story *Fr. Liam Hickey*


On Good Friday, the body of Jesus was broken on the outside, but a "New Spirit" came to Him inside. He rose from the dead. He is present and alive now, in a different way, through His Spirit. His Spirit is with every person. His Spirit is with those who died too and will be with us when we die.

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All 8.00am Masses are in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel

Date	Time		
Sat 22nd April	5.00pm	Catherine Carroll (nee Waters), Borris in Ossary & Rosbercon	2nd Anniversary
Sun 23rd April	8.00am	Nick Grace, Irishtown	Anniversary
	9.00am	Jim Connors, Harvey Place	Months Mind
	10.00am	T.J. Hearne, The Maudlins	1st Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Margaret Rigley (nee Kane) & her husband John Southknock	Months Mind & 17th Anniversary
Mon 24th April	8.00am	Michael & Johanna Cullen, Wexford	Anniversary
	10.00am	Patrick Warren, Lower Michael Street & Ultan Warren, Nunnry Lane	5th & 26th Anniversaries
Tues 25th April	8.00am	Carmelite Deceased & Benefactors	Anniversaries
	10.00am	John Gannon, Nunnery Lane	Anniversary
	10.00am - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 26th April	8.00am	Paddy Murphy, Longstone Drive	Recently Deceased
	10.00am	Kathleen Delaney, Bawnmore	Anniversary
	7.00pm	Ms. O'Connor & Ms. O'Shea Class First Confession in Parish Church.	
Thurs 27th April	8.00am	Intentions of the Parish	
	10.00am	Margaret & Tommy O'Brien, Ard Mhichil	Anniversaries
	3.00pm - 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour	
Fri 28th April	8.00am	Peter & Annaleen Connolly, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan	Anniversaries
	10.00am	James Caulfield, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
Sat 29th April	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for the souls of Joan (Joanie) Reville (nee O'Hanlon), Clongeen, Noel Power, Harvey Place, New Ross & Green Street, Waterford, Paddy Murphy, Longstone Drive & Newbawn & Thomas Caulfield, Pondfields, who has passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember & pray for the souls of Nick Grace, Irishtown, John Connors, Irish Street, Bunclody, Nellie Costelloe, Wallslough, Bridget Howlin (34th Anniversary), Raheen, Adamstown, Patricia (Pat) Rowsome, Mountross & Joe Bennett (18th Anniversary), Pondfields, 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.

DIOCESAN HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS – VOCATION SUNDAY 30th APRIL 2023: On Sunday 30th April from 3 to 4pm, Bishop Ger will lead a holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration in St. Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy. It is the Fourth Sunday of Easter also known as 'Good Shepherd Sunday' or the 'World Day of Prayer for Vocations'. This year, the day marks the beginning of the year of prayer and promotion of vocations to the diocesan priesthood named 'Taking the Risk for Christ'. All are welcome. Please come and join us as we pray for vocations that the Lord of the harvest will send labourers to his harvest.

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

Our Lady's (Left):
Special Intentions
Altar (Centre):
Special Intentions
St. Joseph's (Right):
Special Intentions



Wednesday 26th April 2023: First Confession in Parish Church @ 7.00pm for Ms. O'Connor & Ms. O'Shea Classes.

Thursday 27th April 2023: First Confession in Parish Church @ 7.00pm for Ms. Fitzpatrick, Ms. O'Neill & Ms. Mears Classes.

Sunday 30th April 2023: Vocations Sunday. Bishop Ger will lead Eucharistic Adoration in St. Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy @ 3.00pm

Monday 1st May 2023: Bank Holiday. Parish Office Closed.

Wednesday 17th May 2023: Ms. O'Connor & Ms. O'Shea Class First Communions Preparation meeting in Parish Church @ 7.00pm.

Saturday 20th May 2023: Ms. O'Connor & Ms. O'Shea Class First Communions @ 11.00am & 1.00pm.

Sunday 21st of May 2023: The Ascension of the Lord, World Communications Day.

Wednesday 24th May 2023: Diocesan Safeguarding Information Sessions in Brandon House Hotel @ 7.00pm.

Wednesday 24th May 2023: Ms. Fitzpatrick, Ms. O'Neill & Ms. Mears Class First Communions Preparation meeting in Parish Church @ 7.00pm.

Saturday 27th May 2023: Ms. Fitzpatrick, Ms. O'Neill & Ms. Mears Class First Communions @ 11.00am & 1.00pm

Sunday 28th May 2023: Pentecost Sunday.

Sunday 4th June 2023: The Most Holy Trinity.

Monday 5th June 2023: Bank Holiday. Parish Office Closed.

Sunday 11th June 2023: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi

Friday 23rd June 2023: Patron St. Marys Cemetery @ 7.00pm

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.'

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 excluding 8.00am in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.

Mass Bookings: At present we are taking Mass Bookings up to and including September 2023.

Next Weeks Readings: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Acts 2:14, 36-41. Ps 22:1-6, R/ v 1. 1 Pt 2:20-25. Jn 10:1-10.

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. To maintain this valuable service, funding is greatly appreciated at any time. To donate € 10.00 on a monthly basis or on a once off payment / donation, please contact the Manager on 051-445711.

Safeguarding Representative: Mairin Jackson - Contact No: (051) 421348 - For 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 16th April 2023 @ € 1,767.60 (Envelopes No. 176 & 2nd Collection combined). You can donate via The Ferns Diocesan Website (www.ferns.ie) by clicking the big pink button. Should you wish to become a regular Parish Contributor, please contact the Parish Office. 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: 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 on the first Friday of every month 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!

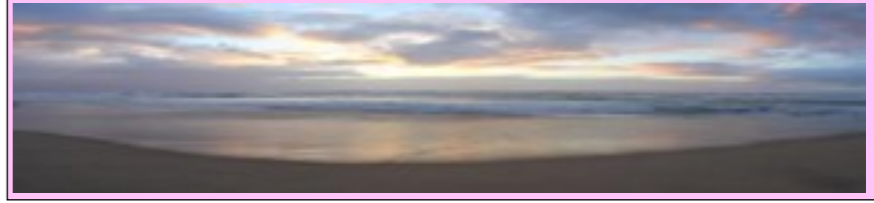
Irish Catholic Newspaper: Available in the Parish Office @ € 2.50 each. Price increase to € 3.00 from 1st of May 2023.

Church Carpark: In the interest of safety we request Parking to take place in designated areas ONLY.

Parish Office / Shop in Legion of Mary Pastoral Centre: All items for sale is Blessed on the First Friday of every month.

THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK

The Gospel for this Third Sunday of Easter is the encounter of the risen Lord with the despondent disciples on the road to Emmaus. A homily on the text points to the importance of both accompaniment of each other on the pilgrim path and the centrality of teaching and catechesis that lifts our spirits to new horizons of hope. Fr Tony O' Riordan gives an update on the situation in Turkey/Syria in the region where the terrible earthquake happened a few weeks ago. We continue with the series 'The Creed in Slow Motion' and have articles on Saints Mark and Catherine of Siena whose feast days fall this week. Finally, two inspiring videos – the first on wanting to be a saint and the second on what happens when we adore Jesus truly present in the Eucharist. Check out these and other resources available at www.thehookoffaith.com



Mary's Meals

The monthly online quiz for Mary's Meals, which has provided 350,000 meals to date for hungry children, takes place next Friday night (28th) at 8pm. To enter for FREE: 1) go to MyQuiz.org and 2) enter code for this month which is 851239. For further details or to donate go to www.bit.ly/QuizforMM or contact Martin Colfer 087 2596159. Meals cost just 11c each. Thank you for your support.



Parish Visitation:

Fr. Tom is available during the coming week to visit any household or family in Cherries Road & Rivergate area's for house blessing or just a chat. Please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment.

NEW ROSS PARISH - Bunscoil Nic Amhlaidh				
Communions 2023				
	Ms. O'Connor	Ms. O'Shea	Ms. Fitzpatrick & Ms. O'Neill	Ms. Mears
First Confessions @ 7.00pm	Wednesday 26th April		Thursday 27th April	
Preparation Meeting @ 7.00pm	Wednesday 17th May		Wednesday 24th May	
Communion Date	Saturday 20th May		Saturday 27th May	
Communion Time	11.00am	1.00pm	11.00am	1.00pm

'Who is She?'

A day long Conference for Our Lady takes place May 13. Come to the historic DCU All Hallows' campus for insightful talks, prayer, Mass, good food and great company. What can we learn from early Irish Christian's Marian devotion? And how can we love Jesus as His mother loved Him? To find out, come join us May 13, from 9.30-4.30 in DCU All Hallows, to find out. Cost €30. For more information or to book contact mariaassumptadublin@gmail.com

Conversations with Women in the Bible

Exploring insights from the Bible transforming lives

A Date for...

...at the Brook Hotel, Kilkenny

Saturday May 13th

Details later / check out www.ssje.org

CANCELLED DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES.

Medjugorje Pilgrimage

Ex. Cork May 31st to June 7th 2023.
Spiritual Director Fr. Ted Sheehan. Cost €849.00 pps half board staying in Hotel Leone. 6 places still available.
Contact Sean O'Shaughnessy on 0862959380