

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

GREETING

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

PENITENTIAL ACT

Have mercy on us, O Lord.
For we have sinned against you.
Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
And grant us your salvation.



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**

Almighty ever-living God,
constantly accomplish the Paschal
Mystery within us, that those you were
pleased to make new in Holy Baptism
may, under your protective care, bear
much fruit and come to the joys of life
eternal. Through our Lord Jesus Christ....

LITURGY OF THE WORD**FIRST READING Acts 6: 1-7**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.
About this time, when the number of
disciples was increasing, the Hellenists
made a complaint against the Hebrews:
in the daily distribution their own widows
were being overlooked. So the Twelve
called a full meeting of the disciples and
addressed them, 'It would not be right for
us to neglect the word of God so as to
give out food; you, brothers, must select
from among yourselves seven men of
good reputation, filled with the Spirit and
with wisdom; we will hand over this duty
to them, and continue to devote ourselves
to prayer and to the service of the word.'
The whole assembly approved of this
proposal and elected Stephen, a man full
of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together
with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon,

Parnenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a
convert to Judaism. They presented
these to the apostles, who prayed and
laid their hands on them.
The word of the Lord continued to spread:
the number of disciples in Jerusalem was
greatly increased, and a large group of
priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19

**R. May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.
or Alleluia!**

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **[R]**
2. For the word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. **[R]**
3. The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **[R]**

SECOND READING 1 Peter 2:4 - 9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by
men but chosen by God and precious to
him; set yourselves close to him so that
you too, the holy priesthood that offers
the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ
has made acceptable to God, may be
living stones making a spiritual house. As
scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a
precious cornerstone that I have chosen
and the man who rests his trust on it will
not be disappointed. That means that for
you who are believers, it is precious; but
for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the
builders has proved to be the keystone,
a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring
men down. They stumble over it because
they do not believe in the word; it was the
fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal
priesthood, a consecrated nation, a
people set apart to sing the praises of
God who called you out of the darkness
into his wonderful light.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said:

**'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except
through me.' Alleluia!**

GOSPEL John 14:1-12

**A reading from the holy Gospel
according to John**

Jesus said to his disciples:
'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God still, and trust in me.
There are many rooms in my Father's
house; if there were not, I should have
told you.

I am going now to prepare a place for
you, and after I have gone and prepared
you a place, I shall return to take you with
me; so that where I am you may be too.
You know the way to the place where I
am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know
where you are going, so how can we
know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except
through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.
From this moment you know him and
have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father
and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I
been with you all this time, Philip,' said
Jesus to him 'and you still do not know
me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the
Father, so how can you say, "Let us see
the Father"? Do you not believe that I am
in the Father and the Father is in me?
The words I say to you I do not speak as
from myself: it is the Father, living in me,
who is doing this work.

You must believe me when I say that I
am in the Father and the Father is in me;
believe it on the evidence of this work,
if for no other reason.' I tell you most
solemnly, whoever believes in me will
perform the same works as I do myself,
he will perform even greater works,
because I am going to the Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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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.



The centre of Christianity is not a rule of law, a code of behaviour,
but a Person whose love we receive and whose life we imitate.
Jesus is in this manner, "the way, the truth and the life."

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

O God, who by the wonderful exchange
effected in this sacrifice have made us
partakers of the one supreme Godhead,
grant, we pray, that, as we have come to
know your truth, we may make it ours by a
worthy way of life. 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.
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

**I am the true vine and you are the
branches, says the Lord.**
**Whoever remains in me, and I in him,
bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people,
we pray, O Lord, and lead those you
have imbued with heavenly mysteries to
pass from former ways to newness of life.
Through Christ our Lord.

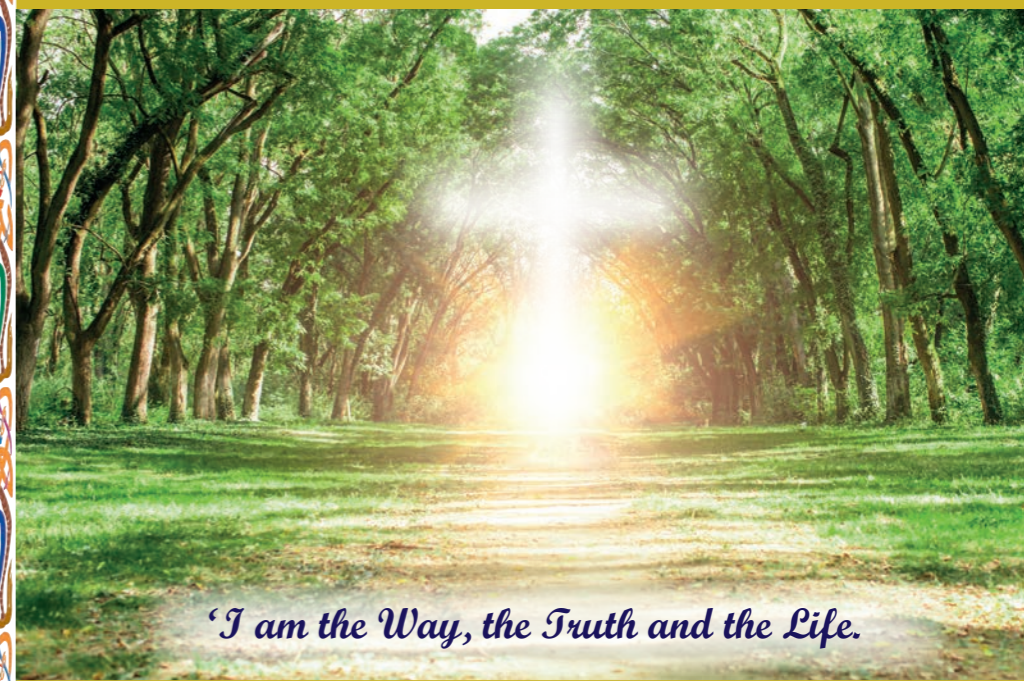
CONCLUDING RITE

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.

Go in peace, **Thanks be to God.**

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Rooms in a house are memorable and important; like the parlour in the old Irish
houses. The dining room, bathroom and kitchen— all were rooms with different
functions and different hospitalities. Jesus uses a usual image to communicate,
like he does with plants, family and harvest.

Religion is ordinary. Our family house, apartment or a tent in a desert is a house
of God. Jesus preached much more in people's houses – in the house of the
paralysed man, the home of Martha and Mary, the sinner Zacchaeus. What is
more ordinary than saying the room in my heart is the room of God, that 'the word
was made flesh and lived among us'?

Thinking of houses and homes, we remember the tragedy of the homeless in our
cities. It's not right. People need rooms. If we are in the Father's house ourselves,
we can think of the many vacant rooms and houses in Ireland. We salute to Peter
McVerry, Sister Stan, Threshold, and others who ensure that the rooms of God in
our country are not left empty.

We remember also that the rooms of Jesus are for the future, and we hear this
gospel often at a funeral. A room is prepared for each of us. For now, his room is in
our heart – in there lives the way of life, the truth of life and the one who enlivens
us. He invites others into our rooms that they may find him.

*Lord Jesus, you are the way that guides our steps in life, the truth that enlightens
our minds and the life that gives love to our hearts.*


Donal Neary SJ (Editor, Sacred Heart Messenger)

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey




When people die we say that they have passed away, to their Home in
Heaven, and they find New Breath in God. The prayer says "We thank You
God Our Father because You made us to live for You, and for each other".
Mary is our mother in Heaven she is with God, she is very close to each one
of us. Being in God who is close to us, Mary shares this closeness, knows
our hearts, hears our prayers. She always listens, is always close to us. Mary help us to
be friends of Jesus and follow His Way.




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


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




Date	Time		
Sat 6th May	5.00pm	John Dreelan, Mountross	9th Anniversary
Sun 7th May - 5th Sunday of Easter	8.00am	Benefactors of Mount Carmel	Special Intentions
	9.00am	Special Healing Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Willie Reeves, Mount Carmel	3rd Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Michael Hanrahan, Lower Southknock Shay Kehoe, Nunnery Lane	Months Mind Months Mind
Mon 8th May	8.00am	Martin Maddock, Hewitsland	2nd Anniversary
	10.00am	Ciss & John Wall, Late of Charleton Hill	Anniversaries
	7.00pm	Rosary around the Grotto in Irishtown.	
Tues 9th May	8.00am	Intentions of the people	
	10.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
	7.00pm	Rosary around the Grotto in Irishtown.	
Wed 10th May	8.00am	Kathleen Sweeney, Castlebar, Co. Mayo	Recently Deceased
	10.00am	James & Elizabeth Fardy, Irishtown	Anniversaries
	7.00pm	Rosary around the Grotto in Irishtown.	
Thurs 11th May	8.00am	Michael & Carmel Hunt, Pondfields	12th & 6th Anniversaries
	10.00am	Teresa & Michael Walsh, Charleton Hill	Anniversaries
	3.00pm - 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour	
	7.00pm	Rosary around the Grotto in Irishtown.	
	7.30pm	Bishop Nash will celebrate the Pre-Pilgrimage Mass in St. Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy. All welcome to attend.	
Fri 12th May	8.00am	Irish Carmelites	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Francie & Mary Doyle	Birthday Remembrance
	7.00pm	Rosary around the Grotto in Irishtown.	
Sat 13th May	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	5.00pm	Mary Murphy (nee Hennessy), Mount Garrett	1st Anniversary
Sun 14th May - 6th Sunday of Easter	8.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	9.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am - Live on Southeast Radio	William & Catherine O'Rahilly, The Bosheen	Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon	Kathleen (Kay) Doyle (nee Mullins), Southknock Anastatia (Lally) Murphy (nee Bailey), Ursuline Court, Waterford & late of Bridge Street	Months Mind Months Mind

Official Opening of the Church Museum after Mass


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

Our Lady's (Left):
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Altar (Centre):
Exam Intentions
St. Joseph's (Right):
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Month of May: Rosary at the Grotto in the Irishtown from Monday to Friday @ 7.00pm
Thursday 11th May 2023: Bishop Nash will celebrate the Pre-Pilgrimage Mass in St. Aidan's Cathedral, Enniscorthy @ 7.30pm
Saturday 13th May 2023: Rosary Rally for Ireland @ Our Lady's Grotto Graiguenamanagh @ 4.00pm. All Welcome
Sunday 14th May 2023: 10.00am Mass will be live on Southeast Radio. Official opening of the Church Museum after 12.00 Noon Mass.
Wednesday 17th May 2023: Ms. O'Connor & Ms. O'Shea (Mr. O'Mahony) Class First Communions Preparation meeting in Parish Church @ 7.00pm.
Saturday 20th May 2023: Ms. O'Connor & Ms. O'Shea (Mr. O'Mahony) Class First Communions @ 11.00am & 1.00pm.
Sunday 21st of May 2023: The Ascension of the Lord, World Communications Day. AIMS Sacred Music Choral Festival in Parish Church from 3.00 - 6.00pm
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
Sunday 25th June 2023: Patron in Mount Carmel after 8.00am Mass, in Priests Cemetery, Parish Church after 10.00am Mass & St. Stephens Cemetery@ 3.00pm.
Monday 7th August 2023: Bank Holiday. Parish Office Closed.
Tuesday 15th August 2023: Holy Day - The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Vigil Mass @ 5.00pm Monday 14th August in Parish Church. Mass @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel, 10.00am & 1.05pm Tuesday 15th August in Parish Church.
Saturday 23rd - Friday 29th September 2023: New Ross Parish Mission.

TROCAIRE: Thank you to all who have donated to this worthy cause, so far €2,197.57 has been collected this year.



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: On Tuesday the 2nd of May we will be taking Mass Bookings up to and including October 2023.

Next Weeks Readings: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17. Ps 65:1-7, 16, 20, R/ v 1. 1 Pt 3:15-18. Jn 14:15-21.

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 30th April 2023 @ € 1,721.43 (Envelopes No. 165 & 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 are Blessed on the First Friday of every month.

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.

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'.




RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for the souls of Carmel McCallan (nee Surlis), Southknock, John Codd, The Bungalows, Slieverue, Kilkenny, late of Moanreigh House, Brookville, Tipperary Town & Abeyview, New Ross, Marian O'Rourke (nee Murphy), Lower William Street & Watt Cody, Carrigcloney, Glenmore, who passed recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember and pray for the soul of Mick & Jane Carthy, Newfarm, The Rower, Kilkenny, Nicholas Doyle, Charleton Hill, Nancy Byrne, Cross Street & John Dreelan, Mountross, who's anniversary occurs around this time.

BAPTISMS: To facilitate a large volume of Baptismal enquiries additional dates have been added to our diary up to and including June 2023. 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.


Anam Cara South East
Will host its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 9th May at 7:15pm in the Brandon House Hotel, New Ross. 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 or 085 2888 888 for any queries.



Wellness Evening


For Travellers
Tuesday 9th May 2023
6pm - 9pm
Riverside Park Hotel, Enniscorthy
Free Event - Adults Only

If anyone is interested in setting up or joining a **Handball Club** in New Ross Youth Centre, Nunnery Lane. Please contact the New Ross Parish Office.



New Ross Drama Workshop
Presents
Same Old Moon
by Geraldine Aron
St Michael's Theatre, New Ross
May 11th-13th at 8pm
Directed by Kate O'Keeffe
Admission: €15
Tickets available on 051-421255 or Theatre Website

A large number of people have not returned to the Sunday Eucharist in their parish churches. It is a personal choice that they have a right to make, whether their choice is a result of serious consideration or simply lightly taken without much thought given to it. Many participate in very beautiful Masses from all parts of the



world and find great nourishment in them. But this is Mass as a product to be consumed when in fact Mass is ideally a relationship. This is a reality that we as a Community of believers must learn to accept even if it causes us some regret.
In an echo of the Emmaus story, we might once again sit at the table of the Eucharist and invite Jesus to join us as the disciples did. The synodal journey that Pope Francis has invited us to be on with him is a journey that can best be done in personal and real contact with each other and with the Lord.
Bishop Ger Nash, Bishop of Ferns
Lent 2023

QUOTABLE QUOTES
Extract from Intercom May 2023