

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 2 Kings 4:8-11. 14-16**

A reading from the second book of the Kings

One day as Elisha was on his way to Shunem, a woman of rank who lived there pressed him to stay and eat there. After this he always broke his journey for a meal when he passed that way. She said to her husband, 'Look, I am sure the man who is constantly passing our way must be a holy man of God. Let us build him a small room on the roof, and put him a bed in it, and a table and chair and lamp; whenever he comes to us he can rest there.' One day when he came, he retired to the upper room and lay down. 'What can be done for her?' he asked. Gehazi, his servant, answered, 'Well, she has no son and her husband is old.'

Elisha said, 'Call her.' The servant called her and she stood at the door. 'This time next year,' Elisha said 'you will hold a son in your arms.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS. 88:2-3, 16-19

**R. I will sing for ever of your love,
O Lord.**

1. I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord;
through all ages my mouth will proclaim
your truth.

Of this I am sure, that your love lasts
for ever,
that your truth is firmly established
as the heavens. **[R]**

2. Happy the people who acclaim such a
king;
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,
who find their joy every day in your
name,
who make your justice the source of
their bliss. **[R]**

3. For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory
of their strength;
it is by your favour that our might is
exalted:
for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord;
our king in the keeping of the Holy
One of Israel. **(R)**

SECOND READING Romans 6:3-4. 8-11

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans
When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our heart, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL Matthew 10: 37-42

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Anyone who prefers father or mother to me is not worthy of me. Anyone who prefers son or daughter to me is not

worthy of me. Anyone who does not take his cross and follow in my footsteps is not worthy of me. Anyone who finds his life will lose it; anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.

'Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me; and those who welcome me welcome the one who sent me.

'Anyone who welcomes a prophet because he is a prophet will have a prophet's reward; and anyone who welcomes a holy man because he is a holy man will have a holy man's reward.

If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

**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.**



focus on sunday

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2nd July 2023

**Christ is no farther away than the people we meet every day.
His cry for help is heard in the needs of the poor, homeless, and those
rejected by society. Help us to hear and respond to His cry.**



In Receiving, we Give

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who graciously accomplish 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.



Jesus' requirements for joining his movement would have shocked those who heard him. Family was as central an institution in those days as economics is in our world. A student I knew in school thought of joining the Jesuits but when he heard that Jesuit life was austere, and instant obedience was demanded, he had second thoughts. I served in a number of American parishes and saw many people enter the RCIA programme with a view to becoming Catholic. Some dropped out before taking the final step at Easter, and citing belief in Catholic teaching on the Eucharist or the church's position on sexual morality as too much to take.

If anything attracts people to Christ it is the enthusiasm, joy and commitment of believers. People with long, grave and grim faces attract nobody. The late Catholic apologist, Hilaire Belloc, once said, "Wherever the Catholic sun does shine, there is laughter and good red wine!" Good Catholics know how to live their faith joyfully and carry it with conviction. Jesus Christ is the centre of our faith, not austerity or the rules of the church.

Who is Jesus Christ for you? That requires not only some thinking about and a bit of reading, but especially prayer. Saying prayers is not necessarily prayer. Prayer is dialogue between God and us, a dialogue initiated by the Spirit of God. Spirituality centres today are offering contemplative prayer opportunities. The lost prayer of contemplative listening is being rediscovered today. Pope Francis often uses the term 'encounter with Christ' to describe the action of God when people use the words of sacred scripture, especially the gospels, for quiet mindful prayer.

Fr. Joe Walsh

Jesus' Story

Fr. 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.



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

Parish Office Opening Hours: Monday to Friday 10.30am to 2.00pm. Closed Holy Days & Bank Holidays. Wide range in stock of Mass Cards, General Cards & Gift Ideas for all occasions. Mass Cards are also available in Nugent's Newsagents, Cooney's & Ryan's Funeral Homes.



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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 1st July	5.00pm	Marie St. Ledger, Lower William Street	2nd Anniversary
Sun 2nd July - 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am	Benefactors of Mount Carmel	Special Intentions
	9.00am	Michael & Mary Ann Barron, Irishtown, Nora & Michael Savage, Middleton, Co. Cork	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Thomas Connick, Mount Carmel & James Murphy, Cushinstown & deceased family members	Anniversaries
Mon 3rd July	12.00 Noon	Josephine Field (nee Kearns), Stroke-on-Trent, UK and late of New Ross	Months Mind
	8.00am	John Connors, Palace East	9th Anniversary
	10.00am	James Caulfield, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
Tues 4th July	8.00am	Intentions of the People	
	10.00am	Theresa Murphy, Cross Street	5th Anniversary
	10.00 - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 5th July	8.00am	Benefactors and Friends	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Bobby Rochford, William Street & deceased members of the Ryan family	Anniversaries
	7.00pm	Rosary at the Grotto, Irishtown, every Wednesday evening for the Summer months	
Thurs 6th July	8.00am	Patrick Bennett, formerly of The Bungalows, Irishtown	Anniversary
	10.00am	Marion O'Brien, William Street	Anniversary
	3.00- 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour	
Fri 7th July	8.00am	Benefactors and Friends	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Anna, Dick, Jimmy & Val Reynolds, Kilkenny & USA & Irene Cramer, Maypark, Waterford	Remembrance
Sat 8th July	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	5.00pm	Paddy (Spud) Murphy, The Bosheen	1st Anniversary
Sun 9th July - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am	Sr. Margaret Mary, Mount Carmel Monastery	1st Anniversary
	9.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Paddy & Gretta O'Connor, Wexford Road	Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon	Bridget Walsh (nee Kehoe), Mountross	Months Mind

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

Our Lady's (Left):
Special Intentions
Altar (Centre):
Lena Furlong - RIP
St. Joseph's (Right):
Exam Intentions

Sunday 23rd July 2023: World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly.

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.

Tuesday 15th August - Friday 8th September 2023: Our Lady's Island Pilgrimage.

Wednesday 23rd August 2023: Pastoral area Mass @ 7.30pm in Our Lady's Island. Bus details to be confirmed.

Friday 15th September 2023: Bishop Ger Nash celebrates Mass @ 10.00am with New Ross School Children.

Saturday 23rd - Friday 29th September 2023: New Ross Parish Mission.

Wednesday 1st of November 2023: All Saints Day. Mass @ 5.00pm Tuesday 31st October 2023 in Parish Church. Mass @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel, 10.00am & 1.05pm Wednesday 1st of November in Parish Church. Parish Office Closed.

Thursday 2nd of November 2023: All Souls Day. Graveside Blessings will take place in Mount Carmel after 8.00am Mass, the Priests Graveyard in Parish Church grounds after 10.00am Mass, St. Stephen's Cemetery @ 11.00am & St. Mary's Cemetery @ 11.15am.

Saturday 4th November 2023: Deceased Parishioners Mass @ 5.00pm.

INVITATION:
We warmly invite all those who have made New Ross their home, but whose native homeland is elsewhere in the world, to join us for the final evening of the Parish Mission, Fri 29th Sept 2023, when the focus will be on celebrating the various communities who have come to our town and the many organisations and other groups who enrich our Parish and our town. For more details, contact Marian 086 8213859

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for the souls of Nellie Larkin (nee Dunphy), Priory Street; Seamus Fenlon, Houghton Place; James (Jim) Rowe, Mary Street; Martin Murphy, Clonskeagh, Dublin & New Ross; May Morris, Clonskeagh, Dublin & New Ross & Elizabeth (Betty) Doyle (nee Cosgrave), The Faythe & Killurin, Wexford, who passed recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember and pray for the souls of Bridget Holden, Brooklawn; Jim Cleary (3rd Anniversary), Neville Street; Mary (11th Anniversary) & Jack (43rd Anniversary) Ryan, Charleton Hill; John Connors (9th Anniversary), Palace East & Anthony Bradley (14th Anniversary), Knockavilla, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE: We remember and pray for the souls of Theresa Murphy, Cross Street; Sophie Walsh (8th Birthday), Lacken Valley & Jack Howlett, Raheen, Adamstown, who's birthdays occur 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.



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 Monday the 3rd of July we will be taking Mass Bookings up to and including December 2023.

Next Weeks Readings: **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** Zec 9:9-10. Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14, R/ v 1. Rm 8:9, 11-13. Mt 11:25-30.

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 25th June 2023 @ € 1,872.95 (Envelopes No. 172 & 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.** We can also accept donations over the telephone. Please ring the Parish Office.

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.

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 @ € 3.00 each.


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. Parish Office can now take card payments over the telephone.



Home Visitation Group

General meeting in St. Michael's Pastoral Centre @ 7.00pm on Wednesday 12th July 2023. All welcome. For more information call 0862669836.



NEW ROSS PARISH - CE SCHEME CARETAKER POSITION

Application Details
Eligibility to participate on CE is generally linked to those who are 21 years or over and in receipt of a qualifying social welfare payment for 1 year or more or 18 years and over for certain disadvantaged groups. Your eligibility will have to be verified by the Department.

You can register your interest by selecting the 'Register your interest' button or you can contact a case officer in your local Intreo Centre.
Duties Will Include:
This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career.

Environmental support worker. Duties include the design and maintenance of horticultural projects for New Ross Parish CONTACT: 086 - 3642592 or Email: rosberconparish@gmail.com for info

Sr. Cora's Vocation Journey - Part 1

Sr. Cora has a certain aura,
A certain aura has Sr. Cora.
To the garden she oft would go,
To plant or dig or weed or sow.

First came the Lavender walk,
About which there was much talk.
Then came the cat in the mint plant,
About which she wrote quite a rant.

The rhubarb patch was keenly watched,
In case the crop was unfortunately botched.
And as for the "Golden Berry"
It made the sisters very merry.


She is a farmer's daughter from Navan,
In county Meath her life began.
After school she studied much,
Home economics, horticulture, accounts and such.


Her professional life was in accountancy,
But later she felt it wasn't to her fancy.
Then she heard a call, to give her all,
She felt very small, and initially did stall.
At 34, to the religious life she opened the door,
But it didn't work out, she hit the floor,
She thought that Jesus wanted her to Him adore,
But of the journey of her vocation there is more.

She next entered the order of the Visitation,
And for seven years stayed in that station.
But they had to close; such is her tale of woes,
To Carmel in Loughrea; to St. Joseph's she goes.

After a further seven years there were more tears,
Loughrea Carmel closes; realising her greatest fears.
She transferred with two sisters to Carmel in New Ross,
Sometimes one's vocation seems a loss and is a heavy cross.

Now my vocation journey with New Ross is clear,
With God's blessing and the company of my sisters so dear.
And with each day and with every passing year,
I firmly realise that in life's ups and down's God is near.





The New Ross Active Retirement will have their general meeting on Friday the 7th July at the Youth Centre Nunnery Lane at 10.30am

Designer Minds have 2 upcoming Summer Camps running in New Ross. Choose a Science Design & Technology Camp OR Art Camp (or try out both and receive a discount). For all boys & girls currently in Senior Infants up to 6th Class. Check Dates and Register online at www.designerminds.ie or call 087 631 0411

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.