# SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 23rd July 2023

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

#### 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**

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ,....

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING Wisdom 12: 13. 16 - 19 A reading from the book of Wisdom

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly.

Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all.

You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it:

but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience,

for you have only to will, and your power is there.

By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PS. 85:5-6. 9-10. 15-16 R. O Lord, you are good and forgiving.

- 1. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice. [R]
- 2. All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God.
- 3. But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me.

# SECOND READING Romans 8: 26-27

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Matthew 13: 24 - 43 (\* shorter form 13: 24 -30)

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

\*Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said,"Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said,"No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn." "

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.' He told them another parable,

'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfill the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one: the enemy who sowed them, the devil: the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

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.



### LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray bothers 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

### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice brought to completion varied offerings of the law, accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, so that what each has offered to the honour of your majesty may benefit the salvation of all. 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. 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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord. 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** 

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

#### 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. Amen Go in peace,

Thanks be to God.

in us. He knows our struggles over evil and he both heals and forgives the wrong-doing in our lives.

(World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly)

God knows the good and evil in a person's heart and accepts both



"We must treasure the spiritual and human wealth that has been handed down from generation to generation" - Pope Francis

Today's Gospel is very apt for the "World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly". We celebrate the people who were the sowers of the seed of our faith. Their love and faith like the mustard tree provides shelter and comfort for generations of their families. We have all run for a hug from granny or grandad when all the world, even our parents, seemed set against us?

The gospel emphasis that our love should be boundless. We must love each other even when we stray. The farmer would not weed out the bad for fear of hurting the

We can read the parable both as advice about the need to accept that bad things can happen, to have patience and let God's plan play out and also as advice that the Christian heart must be constantly forgiving and supportive. Acceptance, born of love experience and forgiveness is a consistent trait seen in our grandparents and older people.

So, this week maybe take some time to visit your grandparents or an older person, light a candle for them, send a card or text to let them know you are thinking of

"I thank you for the faith that was given to me. The faith I now preserve and that I will pass on".



Fr. Liam Hickey

If there was no dark, we would not see shining stars. Babies live in the dark before they are born. Light and Dark is God's Mystery of Love. When someone scores a goal, he/she is delighted, but the goalkeeper is sad. Saints say that when we see GOD, all sad and bad things will be lit up in

the Love of God's Face, in Jesus Christ. A Saint who died in prison prayed "May the hurt done to me be accepted as Forgiveness, for those who know not what they do".

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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 22nd July	5.00pm	Mary Dale, Irishtown	Anniversary
Sun 23rd July - Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day for	8.00am	Betty Ronan, Irishtown	Anniversary
	9.00am	Susan Halpin, Mountgarrett	17th Anniversary
	10.00am	Mary Haddie Richardson, Pondfields & Margaret Coleman, Michael Street	Anniversaries
Grandparents & the Elderly.	12.00 Noon	Nellie Larkin (nee Dunphy), Priory Street James (Jim) Rowe, Mary Street	Months Mind Months Mind
Mon 24th July	8.00am		
	10.00am	Willie Fardy, Irishtown	Anniversary
Tues 25th July	8.00am	Intentions of the People	
	10.00am	Nicholas Katus, Lower Michael Street	Anniversary
	10.00 - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 26th July	8.00am	Wally Gannon, Nunnery Lane	Anniversary
	10.00am	Kitty Flannelly, Haughton Place	Anniversary
	7.00pm	Rosary at the Grotto, Irishtown, every Wednesday evening for the Summer months	
Thurs 27th July	8.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Martin Whelan, Tanyard	4th Anniversary
	3.00- 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Fri 28th July	8.00am	William & Elizabeth Keating, Creacon & their daughter Breda	Anniversaries
	10.00am	Ryan & Holden Families	Anniversaries
Sat 29th July	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	5.00pm	Amy Aylward (nee Malone), Grange Road	1st Anniversary
Sun 30th July -	8.00am	Michael Kane, The Bosheen	10th Anniversary
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	Henry Pressman, St Mullins, Graiguenamanagh	2nd Anniversary
	10.00am	Oliver Darby, Barrow View Heights	9th Anniversary
	12.00 Noon		Months Mind

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for the souls of Seamus O'Neill, Cassagh; Pamela (Pam) Brindley, Tramore, Waterford, New Ross & Rosbercon, Kilkenny; Tommy Browne, St. Johns, Enniscorthy & JKL Place, New Ross; Adam Rydz, The Maudlins & Poland & Sr. Theresa, Carmelites, Loughrea, who passed recently. May they rest in peace.

ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS: We remember and pray for the soul of Susan Halpin (17th Anniversary), Mountgarrett, who's anniversaries occurs around this time.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our Christian community Keegan Molloy, Lower Mount Carmel, who was baptised recently in our Parish Church.

Baptisms take place on the 1st Saturday and 3rd Sunday each month @ 1.00pm. Minimum two weeks' notice is required and a maximum of two candidates per booking. To book your child's baptism, please contact the parish office. Bookings are secured on receipt of baptismal booking forms with a copy of the candidate's Birth Certificate and Photographic ID for the Guardian.

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): Tommy Kidd -24th Anniversary - RIP Altar (Centre): **Special Intentions** St. Joseph's (Right): Joan Cashin -Birthday Remembrance



Wednesday 2nd August 2023: General meeting in Ball Alley, Youth Centre, Nunnery Lane @ 8.00 pm, to set up a New Ross Handball Club . All welcome

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 the 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 departing from New Ross Parish Church car park @ 5.00pm, stopping @ Cushinstown Parish Church & Carrigbyrne. Cost @ €10.00 per seat. Please contact New Ross Parish Office to book. 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. Friday 8th December 2023: Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Mass @ 5.00pm Thursday 7th December 2023 in Parish Church. Mass @ 8.00am in Mount Carmel, 10.00am & 1.05pm Friday 8th December in Parish Church. Parish Office Closed.

#### PARISH INFORMATION.

Radio & Live Stream Mass: 104.7FM & New Ross Parish Website

Mass Bookings: We are currently taking Mass Bookings up to and

Next Weeks Readings: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY

TIME 1 Kg 3:5, 7-12. Ps 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130, R/ v 97. Rm

Confessions: Saturdays after 10.00am Mass & before Vigil Mass.

Mon - Fri on request after 10.00am Mass. Please notify the priest

Meals on Wheels: Avail of our high quality meals available five days

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Safeguarding Representative: Mairin Jackson - Contact No:

adolescence within our parish please contact the above.

first Thursday of every month @ 11.00am.

please contact the Parish office

(051) 421348 - For any gueries in relation to working with children or

Bethany Bereavement Support: If you need support please ring

Weekly Collection and Supporting the Parish: Collections 16th

(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,

Intentions for the living: Intentions for the living will be announced

as "Special Intentions" unless the person who the intention is for signs

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

PRIEST ON DUTY (051) 421214: We are anxious to visit those who

Arrangements can be made to receive the sacraments at home on the

Legion of Mary: Meetings every Tuesday evening @ 7.30pm in St.

Michaels Pastoral Centre. Contact: Alex Doyle, Tel: 087 273 8703.

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<u>Irish Catholic Newspaper:</u> Available in the Parish Office @ € 3.00

Church Carpark: In the interest of safety we request Parking to take

Parish Office / Shop in Legion of Mary Pastoral Centre: All items

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Live Stream, for all Masses including Funeral Masses excluding



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL — NEW ROSS: 085 8313073

8.00am in Mount Carmel Monastery Chapel.

8:28-30. Mt 13:44-52 (shorter form 13:44-46).

including December 2023.

before Mass in the Sacristy

# PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, we trust in your loving kindness. Bless our Diocese of Ferns with nany 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.



### MISSION PRAYER

God, Our Father, Bless & Direct our preparations for our Parish Mission.

Re-Ignite

Our minds to new ideas. Re-Connect

Our ears to hear your word

Re-Ignite

Our hearts to welcome others in love.

#### Re-Connect

Our wills so that renewed in Faith & Joyful in hope, We may at all times try to serve you & our community. Amen

#### THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK:

"His mercy is from age to age" (Lk 1:50) is the theme of the Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly which takes place this Sunday 23rd July. We gave Pope Francis' message which encourages every person and society to honour its elderly citizens. The newsletter insert is a reflection on the parable of the Sower and the Homily for this Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time is on the parable of the darnel and the wheat. We have an article on how to recover a sense of awe and wonder in order to renew faith and news of a one-day retreat on 4th August on the Care of Creation. At a time when there is movement to re-define the family, there is evidence of social trends that are going in the wrong direction. Finally, a video interview from Word on Fire on knowing Jesus personally. Check out these and other resources available at Thehookoffaith.com

#### CHRISTIAN MEDIA TRUST PROGRAMMES on South East Radio 95.2-96.4fm Sat 22nd July - Tuesday 25th July 2023

Sat 22nd July 10.04 -10.30am; Simply Divine, Mary Ellen Hawkey speaks with Annette Kennedy Irish nurse & Former ICN President about her nursing career, meeting Pope Francis in the Vatican, and on highlighting a nurse's role in stopping human trafficking. Sunday 23rd July 09.04 -10.00am; Sounds for Sunday, Presented by Patricia McNally with reflection from Reverend Ian Cruickshank and includes listeners requests, hymns, and music. \*\*Text line for requests 089-2700688

Sunday Mass on Sun 23rd July 10am; Rowe Street, Wexford, Celebrant: Fr. James Cullen

Sunday Reflection, Sun 23rd July 8.30pm - 9pm; Valarie Power shares a reflection on the life of St. Mary Magdalene

Music Box, Monday 24th July 8.04pm-8.30pm; Paul Freeney shares a selection of musical favourites on the theme of friendship.

Monday 24th July 8.30pm-9pm; Faith Matters, Anne Marie Murphy shares her faith journey with Patricia McNally on how visiting Medjugorje changed her life.

Schools Corner, Tues 25th July 8.04pm-8.30pm; Betty Stafford chats with Lucy Moore about her school days and teaching days.

Listen in live here: SOUTHEASTRADIO.IE

**Coffee Morning** in Aid of New Ross Meals on Wheels in The Ross Inn on Tuesday 25th July @ 10.00 - 11.30am.





South East

### General meeting for anyone interested in Handball

Wednesday 02nd August 2023 @ 8.00 pm in Ball Ally, Youth Centre, Nunnery Lane. Purpose is to set up a Handball Club in New Ross. All are welcome.

### **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.

contact a case officer in your local Intreo Centre.

This is a developmental opportunity, no experience necessary. Accredited training will be provided to support your career.

horticultural projects for New Ross Parish CONTACT: 086 - 3642592 or Email:

You can register your interest by selecting the 'Register your interest' button or you can Duties Will Include:

Environmental support worker. Duties include the design and maintenance of

rosberconparish@gmail.com for info



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.