

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

## 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

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of God's kingdom: Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**  
You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**  
You will come in glory with salvation for your people: 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 manifest your almighty power above all by pardoning and showing mercy, bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us and make those hastening to attain your promises heirs to the treasures of heaven.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, you Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING *Ezekiel 18: 25 - 28*

**A reading from the prophet Ezekiel**

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces

sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps.24: 4 - 9*

**R. Remember your mercy, Lord.**

1. Lord, make me know your ways.  
Lord, teach me your paths.  
Make me walk in your truth,  
and teach me:  
for you are God my saviour **[R]**
2. Remember your mercy, Lord,  
and the love you have shown from of old.  
Do not remember the sins of my youth.  
In your love remember me,  
because of your goodness, O Lord. **[R]**
3. The Lord is good and upright.  
He shows the path to those who stray,  
he guides the humble in the right path;  
he teaches his way to the poor. **[R]**

## SECOND READING

*Philippians 2: 1-11 (\*Shorter form in italics)*

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.**

*\*If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:\**

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL *Matthew 21: 28 - 32*

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

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

**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

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

Grant us, O merciful God, that this our offering may find acceptance with you and that through it the wellspring of all blessing may be laid open before us. Through Christ our Lord.



## Day for Life

We need the faith and example of each other for our faith to grow strong. Our faith is shared; its depth depends on how we share that faith with one another.

*Believe  
in him!*



## 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.*  
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

**Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.**

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, restore us in mind and body, that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, to whose suffering we are united whenever we proclaim his Death. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

## CONCLUDING RITE

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



## Doers of the Word



We all know people who promise the earth! They say they will do something and never deliver. Others make a song and dance when asked to do something but will still do it. It can be from helping in the home to co-operating on something big.

A relative of mine used to say to his wife, 'don't get anyone in to do the ceiling darling; I'll do it'. 10 yrs later ceiling was still the same! My father would say to my mother – 'Do you think I've nothing else to do than the garden?'. Ten minutes later, the mower is heard. In the end we are more pleased with the grumpy doer than the smiling non-doer!.

Jesus means action when he speaks his message. While he is happy that people listen and pray and say good things, he is looking for men and women who put their hands where their hearts are and put the gospel into action. We are people whose light is to shine before others, and not be hidden.

He has a shocking way of saying this – that some of the most looked down on people will find their way into the kingdom of heaven first because they do the works of God – they love and care, they help and encourage. They are not just spiritual thinkers, but faith-filled doers of the word of God, even when their lives are not perfect. They will get there first; the others will come later.

Jesus comes back to this often: not those 'who say Lord, Lord will go into the kingdom of heaven'.

We can at times also enjoy the vineyard, sunning ourselves in it as the grapes sun themselves to ripen. Then we are asked to tend it, to care for it, and to bring forth fruit that will last.

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger

## Jesus' Story

*Fr. Liam Hickey*

The word GRACE means for free. All is Given. That was the Good News that Jesus brought from God the Loving Father. That is the firm rock of Religion. How can we buy breath, life. They are free. The best prayer is Thanks. Some religious people were saying that you had to earn, or merit God's Love. That would be like a baby earning to be born, or saying that only special people are reserved for God's Kingdom. Jesus said that people that are longing for love, no matter what job they have, or what clothes they wear, are welcome children in God's Kingdom.





# 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 30th Sept	5.00pm	Madeline Ryan, Ard Na Greine	1st Anniversary
Sun 1st Oct - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am	Special Intentions	Special Intentions
	9.00pm	Mission Thanksgiving	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Aidan & Nancy Byrne, Cross Street	Anniversaries
	12.00 Noon	Michael (Skipper) Dalton, Pondfields Monica Condon (nee Ryan), Haughton Place	Months Mind Months Mind
Mon 2nd Oct	8.00am	Thank you	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Carmel, Kathleen & Martin Dwyer, Ard Na Greine	Anniversaries
Tues 3rd Oct	8.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish	Special Intentions
	10.00am	Toddy Brothers, Michael Street	Anniversaries
	10.00 - 8.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wed 4th Oct	8.00am	Marie O'Connor, Dublin	Recently Deceased
	10.00am	Ellen Bowe, Abbey Hall	Anniversary
Thurs 5th Oct	8.00am	Anna Flynn, Barrick Lane	Anniversary
	10.00am	Mary Keating, Ballygalvert	Anniversary
	3.00- 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Holy Hour for Vocations & Religious Life in Blessed Sacrament Chapel	
Fri 6th Oct	8.00am	Angela McGrath (nee McDarby)	Recently Deceased
	10.00am	Andrew (Andy) Cass, Charleton Hill	Anniversary
Sat 7th Oct	10.00am	Parish Mass Association	
	5.00pm	Eddie Skipper Morrissey, Shillelagh	1st Anniversary
Sun 8th Oct - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am	Edward Kehoe, The Rower	15th Anniversary
	9.00am	John Barry, Viewmount	Anniversary
	10.00am	Paul Walsh, Airmount	1st Anniversary
	12.00 Noon	Billy Cashin, Tower Grove	Months Mind

The Rosary will be recited every morning @ 9.30 am in the Parish Church from Monday to Saturday, however on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month the Novena to Our Lady of Fatima is held @ 9.15 am.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for the souls of Maureen Reynolds (nee Dooley), Portlaoise & Barking, UK, Carmel Nowlan (nee Kelly), Avoca, Co. Wicklow & New Ross (Months Mind); Katherine (Kitty) Donnison (nee McDonald), formerly Chapel Lane & Newcastle-upon-Tyne, UK & Cathy MacAlevey (nee Hartley), Swords, Dublin & Campile, New Ross, who passed recently. May they rest in peace.

**ANNIVERSARY PRAYERS:** We remember & pray for the soul of Jim Tobin (4th Anniversary), William Street, who's anniversary occur around this time.

**BAPTISMS:** 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):**  
The Ryan Family  
**Altar (Centre):**  
Ellen Bowe  
**St. Joseph's (Right):**  
The Bowe Family



**Monday 9th October 2023:** New volunteer ministries in the Diocese of Ferns, training programme in St. Michaels Pastoral Centre @ 7.30pm.

**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.

Every Tuesday




**O Sacrament Most Holy**

Eucharistic Adoration  
Following 10am Mass to 8pm



**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 2nd of October we will be taking Mass Bookings up to and including March 2024.

**Next Weeks Readings:** TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Is 5:1-7. Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20, R/ Is 5:7. Phil 4:6-9. Mt 21:33-43. Lect I:708

**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 24th September 2023 @ € 1,670.50 (Envelopes No. 193 & 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.

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**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.**

**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'.



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**NEW ROSS PARISH MISSION.**

We would like to thank everyone who attended our recent Parish Mission, the office staff & especially those who helped out in anyway organising the events each night. Thank you to the Redemptorists; Fr. Laurence, Fr. Derek & Neil for their leadership in re-igniting & re-connecting us with our faith. Fr. Joe & Fr. Tom

**RE-IGNITE**



**RE-CONNECT**

**Anam Cara South East will host its monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 10th October 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](mailto:info@anamcara.ie) or 085 2888 888 for any queries.**



**The New Ross Active Retirement** general meeting will be held on Friday October 6th @ 10.30 am at the youth Centre Nunnery Lane

**THE HOOK OF FAITH THIS WEEK**

The Homily for the Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary time reminds us of our call to be 'doers of the Word' of God – the Gospel must have roots in us that causes us to act differently. In a video interview, Bishop Robert Barron asks why we are so prone to distractions and restlessness. 'Take a Risk for Christ' is the title of this year dedicated to vocations to the diocesan priesthood and we have news of a 'Come and See' weekend in Maynooth in November. As the Synod on Synodality begins in Rome, we include video interviews with some of the Irish participants. In advance of their feast days, we have articles on both Blessed Columba Marmion and St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology. Jim Thompson writes an article that marks the end of the 'Season of Creation'. Check out these and other resources available at [www.thehookoffaith.com](http://www.thehookoffaith.com)

**PRAYER SONG SILENCE**



**PRAYER SERVICES ARE HELD EVERY 1ST AND 3RD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH 8.00PM - 9.00PM**

**GOOD COUNSEL COLLEGE CHURCH NEW ROSS Y34 R297**

**Returns 6th October @ 8pm**

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